PONY "2024"

- Games are 7 innings or time limits. No new inning will begin after 1 hour 45 minutes. Time determined by time at third out. Games that are tied after 7 inn or 1:45 min will end in a tie, if the home team has completed their last bat.
- Umpires should announce official game time to both teams.
- Game clocks start at scheduled time **NO** grace period unless Umpires are not ready.
- Games rained out will not be made up unless necessary. Three (3) complete innings will be called a complete game if canceled for weather.
- Home team is team listed first on the schedule. They are to provide the game balls.
- Pitchers may pitch a maximum of 21 outs per game in league and local tournament play with a maximum of 24 outs per week in league play. All other **UBBA** pitching rules apply. In **UBBA** State Tournament **UBBA** rules apply.
- STARTING PITCHERS CANNOT RETURN TO THE MOUND IN A GAME ONCE THEY HAVE BEEN PULLED.
- ALL PLAYERS SHOULD BE IN FULL UNIFORMS. Games will not be protested because of this rule.
- All players should play at least ½ of each official game and/or scheduled game time.
- TEN (10) players will be used on the playing field. 4 Outfielders (NO ROVER)
- ALL PLAYERS WILL BAT EACH TIME THEIR SPOT IN THE BATTING ORDER COMES AROUND.
- Pony players must use official baseball bats. (Max. length 34", Max. diameter 2 3/4", -5 MAX weight differential <u>Big</u> <u>Barrel Bats Only!!!.)</u>
- <u>Metal spikes or cleats</u> are allowed on the playing field and practice field.
- Seven (7) players must be present to field a legal team. If only seven players are present an automatic out will be charged after the 7th player bats. NO AUTOMATIC OUTS WILL BE CHARGED IF <u>8 OR MORE</u> PLAYERS ARE PLAYING.
- Fielder has priority on the baseline if he is making a play. If a runner interferes with a fielder, he is called out and all remaining runners will return to their bases.
- Sliding is optional and not mandatory. Players have the option to slide but if a player does not attempt to get around the player and causes malicious contact will be ejected from the game. Some contact will occur. Umpire's discretion on attempt and maliciousness. Any fielder that blocks the base path without possession of the ball will be called with obstruction.
- **Unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated.** Any player, coach or parent that displays unsportsmanlike behavior may be asked to leave the facility with or without warning.
- Any Spectator or coach that is ejected for unsportsmanlike behavior must leave the premises and the player they are watching must leave with them.
- A Speed up runner will be allowed for catchers only. The runner should be next available player ahead of catcher in the line-up.
- Umpires are responsible for keeping the game moving. Encourage teams to hurry on and off the field. Keep warmup pitches to a minimum. Coaches please be aware of this and do your part to get a full game in.

Metal cleats may NOT be worn on portable pitching mounds. Pitchers will need to have turf shoes or ideally athletic shoes to pitch from these mounds.

Payson and Santaquin have portable mounds!!!

The team listed first is Home Team and will provide game balls.