

Big Flats Little League

2012

Safety Manual

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League Rules

Play Hard-Play Safe



Big Flats Little League

Mission Statement

Big Flats Little League

Is a Non-Profit Organization

Run by Volunteers

Whose Mission

Is to Provide an Opportunity

For Our Community's Children

To Learn The Game of Baseball

In A Safe And Friendly

Environment

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BFL Safety Code

Safety is Everyone's Responsibility

Responsibility for safety procedures belong to every adult member of the league.

- ❖ *Each player, manager, coach & umpire shall use proper judgment and care to prevent injuries to him/herself and others.*
- ❖ *Only approved coaches & managers are allowed to practice on the field or in the dugout, supervise batting cages, or enter the playing field for games.*
- ❖ *All pregame warm-ups shall be conducted within the playing areas away from spectators.*
- ❖ *Coaches are discouraged from warming up pitchers or other players.*
- ❖ *Equipment shall be checked prior to practice and games to ensure proper fit as well as safety hazards. Any unsafe equipment should not be used until hazard is corrected or equipment is replaced.*
- ❖ *Managers shall walk the fields for the purpose of inspecting them BEFORE practice or games take place. The umpire reserves the right to cancel a game based on his perception of the playing field.*
- ❖ *Loose equipment shall be secured in the respective dugouts.*
- ❖ *During warm-ups, players shall be spaced adequately so as not to injure each other when throwing, batting and catching.*
- ❖ *At NO time shall a player swing a bat in the dugout or in the batter's circle.*
- ❖ *No player shall slide headfirst to any base (except when returning to a base.)*
- ❖ *Batters must wear Little League approved protective helmets that bear the NOCSAE seal during practice and games.*
- ❖ *All male catchers shall wear a protective cup at all times when playing or practicing.*
- ❖ *All catchers must wear all throat protectors, chest protectors, sports cup and catcher's glove.*
- ❖ *Players will not wear any jewelry during games or practices. (Exception: medical ID Tags or bracelets)*
- ❖ *No player or coach will be allowed on the field with an open wound. Proper bandaging must take place before a player can interact with teammates.*
- ❖ *No metal cleats or spikes can be worn during practice or games.*
- ❖ *No alcohol or drugs are permitted on Community park property.*
- ❖ *No tobacco will be used within 20 feet of the playing field, or dugout.*

- ❖ *Managers shall be responsible for making arrangements to have a cellular phone at practices and games so that quick notification of proper law enforcement or EMS is possible.*
- ❖ *Managers shall not leave players unattended after games or practices.*
- ❖ *No Horseplay.*
- ❖ *No throwing rocks*
- ❖ *No climbing fences or hanging on dugout roofs..*
- ❖ *Games or practices shall not be played if field or weather conditions are inadequate.*
- ❖ *Each manager MUST ensure that a first aid kit is available at all games/practices.*

NEW IN 2012

CHANGES/UPDATES TO THE LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL® RULES AND REGULATIONS – 2012

Bulletin: Significant Policy, Rule, and Regulation Changes for 2012

Little League International today announced the full list of significant changes that will go into effect on Jan. 1, 2012, to the policies, rules and regulations of the program. In order to give timely information to parents and leagues, some of the changes were announced several weeks ago. One change, in the bat regulations, has been further updated since the first announcement. The update clarifies the penalty for using an illegal bat. A list of all the significant changes, along with a summary and explanation of the changes, is below:

POLICY

Residence Eligibility Requirements for all divisions of play has been amended to read, in part: Residence shall be established and supported by documents, dated *or in force between February 1, 2011 (previous year) and February 1, 2012 (current year)*, from THREE OR MORE of the following categories to determine residency of such parent(s) or guardian:

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, this requires players' parents or guardians to provide residency documentation dated or in force between February 1, 2011 (previous year) and February 1, 2012 (current year). This means, for instance, that a Driver's License that was issued a number of years earlier, but was in force between the dates noted, is acceptable. However, a utility bill that is dated outside of the dates noted, is not acceptable.

REGULATIONS

Regulation I(c)(9) for all divisions of play has been amended to read, in part:

Note 1: The United States Department of Justice National Sex Offender Public Registry is free and available at www.nsopr.gov.

Note 2: Little League International currently provides each league with access to 125 free criminal background checks per year. Due to the refusal of the states of Hawaii, Iowa, Michigan & Virginia to provide sex offender registry data to the records check provider, the free criminal background checks no longer meet the minimum Little League requirement of a nationwide search of the sex offender registry. Sex offender registry data for the four states listed above are currently only available through the Department of Justice National Sex Offender Registry (www.nsopr.gov) and/or through the individual state's sex offender registry website.

In addition to meeting the minimum requirement of checking the United States Department of Justice National Sex Offender Registry, (www.nsopr.gov), Little League strongly encourages all leagues to also utilize the national criminal records search available through the Little League website. This additional criminal records check may provide additional important information regarding the criminal records of individuals whose crimes do not require that

they be listed on a sex offender registry. For example, convictions for assault, battery, theft or drug offenses would not result in a report to sex offender registry.

Information on how to utilize this benefit, as well as how to conduct back ground checks, can be found on the Little League website at:

www.littleleague.org/learn/programs/childprotection.htm

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, this modifies Note 1 and 2 in Regulation I(c)(9) to highlight changes in the laws/procedures of four states with regard to sex offender registries, and the free criminal background checks Little League strongly recommends.

Regulation I(a) – THE LEAGUE in the Baseball Rule Book has been amended in part, to read:

Senior League is an extension of the local Little League to accommodate youngsters league ages 13, 14, 15 and 16; Big League is an extension of the local Little League to accommodate youngsters league ages 15, 16, 17 and 18.

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, this expands the Senior Baseball Division to include 13-year-olds, and expands the Big League Baseball Division to include 15-year-olds.

Regulation II(g) in the Challenger Division Rule Book has been amended to read:

A player may participate in the Challenger Division only in a league's boundaries in which he/she does not reside provided (1) the league he/ she wishes to participate in accepts the player; (2) the league, if any, where the player resides provides a written release of the player and (3) the district administrator provides written approval for the player to participate. Copies of the releases must be maintained by the league in which the player is participating.

NOTE: *If the player does not reside in any league's boundaries, only the written approval of the district administrator is required.*

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, this allows Challenger Division players residing outside a league's boundaries to participate in the league if the specific noted requirements are met.

Regulation IV(i) in the Baseball and Softball Rule Books, applying only to the Senior League Division and below, has been amended to read:

Every rostered player present at the start of a game will participate in each game for a minimum of six (6) defensive outs and bat at least one (1) time. *For the purposes of this rule, "six (6) defensive outs" is defined as: A player enters the field in one of the nine defensive positions when his/her team is on defense and occupies such position while six outs are made; "bat at least one (1) time" is defined as: A player enters the batter's box with no count and completes that time at bat by being put out, called out by an umpire or by reaching base safely.*

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, this modification defines the requirements of mandatory play.

PLAYING RULES

Rule 1.10 in the Baseball and Challenger Division Rule Books has been amended to read:

The bat must be a baseball bat which meets Little League specifications and standards as noted in this rule. It shall be a smooth, rounded stick and made of wood or of material and color tested and proved acceptable to Little League standards.

Little League (Majors) and below: it shall not be more than thirty-three (33) inches in length nor more than two and one-quarter (2¼) inches in diameter. Non-wood bats shall be *labeled* with a BPF (bat performance factor) of 1.15 or less.

EXCEPTION: For the 2011-2012 Little League (Majors) and below, for regular season play and Tournament, composite bats are prohibited unless approved by Little League International. A list of approved and licensed composite bats can be found on the Little League website at www.littleleague.org.

Junior League: it shall not be more than 34 inches in length; nor more than 2 5/8 inches in diameter, and if wood, not less than fifteen-sixteenths (15/16) inches in diameter (7/8 inch for bats less than 30”) at its smallest part. *All composite bats shall meet the Batted Ball Coefficient of Restitution (BBCOR) performance standard, and such bats shall be so labeled with a silkscreen or other permanent certification mark. The certification mark shall be rectangular, a minimum of a half-inch on each side and located on the barrel of the bat in any contrasting color.*

Senior/Big League: it shall not be more than 36 inches in length, nor more than 2 5/8 inches in diameter, and if wood, not less than fifteen-sixteenths (15/16) inches in diameter (7/8 inch for bats less than 30”) at its smallest part. The bat shall not weigh, numerically, more than three ounces less than the length of the bat (e.g., a 33-inch-long bat cannot weigh less than 30 ounces).

All bats not made of a single piece of wood shall meet the Batted Ball Coefficient of Restitution (BBCOR) performance standard, and such bats shall be so labeled with a silkscreen or other permanent certification mark. The certification mark shall be rectangular, a minimum of a half-inch on each side and located on the barrel of the bat in any contrasting color. Aluminum and composite bats shall be marked as to their material makeup being aluminum or composite. This marking shall be silkscreen or other permanent certification mark, a minimum of one-half-inch on each side and located on the barrel of the bat in any contrasting color.

In all divisions, wood bats may be taped or fitted with a sleeve for a distance not exceeding sixteen (16) inches (18 inches for Junior/Senior/Big League baseball) from the small end. A non-wood bat must have a grip of cork, tape or composition material, and must extend a minimum of 10 inches from the small end. Slippery tape or similar material is prohibited.

Note 1: Junior/Senior/Big League: The 2¾ inch in diameter bat is not allowed in any division.

Note 2: The traditional batting donut is not permissible.

Note 3: The bat may carry the mark “Little League Tee Ball.”

Note 4: Non-wood bats may develop dents from time to time. Bats that cannot pass through the approved Little League bat ring for the appropriate division must be removed from play. The 2¼ inch bat ring must be used for bats in the Tee Ball, Minor League and Little League Baseball divisions. The 2 5/8 inch bat ring must be used for bats in the Junior, Senior and Big League divisions of baseball.

Note 5: *An illegal bat must be removed. Any bat that has been altered shall be removed from play. Penalty – See Rule – 6.06(d).*

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, language was added prohibiting the use of composite bats for the Major division unless approved and licensed by Little League International and modified the Junior, Senior and Big League bats regulation noting the new BBCOR bat standard.

Rule 1.11(j) in all rule books has been amended to read:

Players must not wear jewelry *such as, but not limited to, rings, watches, earrings, bracelets, necklaces, nor any hard cosmetic/decorative items. This rule applies regardless of the composition of such jewelry, hard cosmetic item or hard decorative item.*

(EXCEPTION: Jewelry that alerts medical personnel to a specific condition is permissible.)

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, the added language prohibits players from wearing any jewelry, regardless of composition.

Rule 2.00 in all rule books has been amended to read, in part:

An AT-BAT, for the purposes of meeting the requirements of Mandatory Play (if applicable), is when a batter assumes the position of a batter with no count and is put out, called out by an umpire or reaches base. An at-bat for scorekeeping/ statistical purposes is defined in the publication, "What's the Score?"

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, this defines an at-bat for the purpose of mandatory play.

Rule 2.00 in the Baseball Rule Book has been amended to read, in part:

An ILLEGAL BAT is a bat that has been altered or a bat that is not approved for play because it does not meet specifications with regard to length, weight, barrel diameter, labeling or performance standard for the division in which it is used.

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, this defines an illegal bat for the purpose of rule 6.06(d). As a result, a bat that is, for instance, cracked or damaged because of normal use, would not be considered "illegal" and could not result in the batter being called out for using it, but it still must be removed from play.

Rule 6.05(b) in the Baseball Rule Book has been amended to read:

6.05 - A batter is out when -

(b) *Little League (Majors)/Junior/Senior/Big League* –

(1) a third strike is legally caught by the catcher;

(2) a third strike is not caught by the catcher when first base is occupied before two are out.

Minor League and Tee Ball: A third strike is caught or not caught by the catcher. *Option: A local league may elect to apply the Minor League and Tee Ball rule for the Little League (Major Division) for the regular season.*

Summary and Implementation: During the 2012 season, for the Major Baseball Division, players may advance on a third strike that is not caught in flight by the catcher. However, local leagues may opt to use the Minor League and Tee Ball rule noted above, for the Major Baseball Division, instead. This option applies only for the regular season. In Tournament play, the rule will be implemented as noted above for the Majors Division. The rule for tournament play in 10-11 is noted below.

Rule 6.06(d) in the Baseball Rule Book has been amended to read:

A batter is out for illegal action when -

(d) The batter enters the batter's box with one or both feet entirely on the ground with an illegal bat (see bat specifications rule 1.10) or is discovered having used an illegal bat prior to the next player entering the batter's box.

Note: If the infraction is discovered before the next player enters the batter's box following the turn at bat of the player who used an illegal bat:

1) The manager of the defense may advise the plate umpire of a decision to decline the penalty and accept the play. Such election shall be made immediately at the end of the play.

2) For the first violation, the offensive team will lose one eligible adult base coach for the duration of the game.

3) For the second violation, the manager of the team will be ejected from the game. Any subsequent violation will result in the newly designated manager being ejected.

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 season, this imposes penalties for the use of an illegal bat in a game.

TOURNAMENT RULES AND GUIDELINES

Responsibility and Chain of Command in the Baseball and Softball Rule Book has been amended to read, in part:

The Tournament Committee also reserves the right in its sole discretion to impose any of the above penalties if, in its judgment, any player, manager or coach displays unsportsmanlike conduct or repeatedly/willfully violates any rules, regulations or policies contained herein during the game, at the game site, or at any event related to the International Tournament. The decision of the Tournament Committee is final and binding. The committee also reserves the right to impose any penalty the committee deems appropriate if the committee determines action is necessary to correct a situation brought to its attention, regardless of the source of that information. The decision of the Tournament Committee is final and binding.

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 International Tournament, this allows the Tournament Committee to impose penalties if a player, manager or coach repeatedly/willfully violates any Little League rules, regulations or policies.

Release of Names in the Softball Rule Book has been amended to read, in part:

9-10 Year Old Division/10-11 Year Old Division/Little League: The release of names of players selected for the tournament team shall not be made before June 15, or two weeks prior to the start of the tournament (whichever is earlier), and not until the availability and eligibility of all prospective team members have been established. (Little League accident insurance for tournament teams will not go into effect until June 15, or the date of the release of the names of Tournament Team members, whichever is earlier).

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 International Tournament, this permits the Little League (Majors) Softball division to release names on June 15, or two weeks prior to the start of the tournament, whichever is earlier.

Tournament Team Practice in the Softball Rule Book has been amended to read, in part:

9-10 Year Old Division/10-11 Year Old Division/Little League: Try-outs or practices by tournament teams shall not be held before June 15 or two weeks prior to the start of the tournament. Tournament team practice may only take place against other teams within the same or contiguous districts in the same division, providing such practice is done out of uniform. (Little League accident insurance for tournament teams will not go into effect until June 15, or the date of the release of the names of tournament Team members, whichever is earlier).

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 International Tournament, this permits the Little League (Majors) Softball division to conduct try-outs and begin practice on June 15, or two weeks prior to the start of the tournament, whichever is earlier.

Curfew in the Baseball Rule Book has been amended to read, in part:

No inning shall start after midnight prevailing time (12:30 a.m. prevailing time for **Junior League**; 1:00 a.m. prevailing time for **Senior/Big League**).

NOTE: An inning starts the moment the third out is made completing the previous inning.

NOTE: *Neither Tournament Directors and officials nor tournament teams are permitted to circumvent the curfews established above by continuing, suspending and restarting or starting a game after curfew has been reached and play is required to be terminated.*

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 International Tournament, this prohibits suspended games to be continued after curfew.

Tournament Rule 3 in the Baseball Rule Book has been amended to read, in part:

NOTE: *In the 10-11 Tournament Division, the batter may advance on a dropped third strike (6.09(b)).* These rules will not apply for the 9-10 Tournament Division.

Summary and Implementation: For the 2012 International Tournament, the 10-11 Year Old Tournament Division players may advance on a dropped third strike.

Coach's Code of Conduct

Big Flats Little League Baseball Manager/Coach Code of Conduct

Big Flats Little League has implemented the following Manager/Coach Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about sportsmanship. Managers and coaches should read, understand and sign this form prior to participating in our league.

Coaches and managers should emphasize skill development and practices for players. All players should receive equivalent attention from coaches in their development as baseball athletes. Coaches and managers should embody good sportsmanship at all times during practices, games, and other Little League related events.

Any coach or manager guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be given a warning and possibly suspended from managing/coaching following a significant violation. Repeat violations may require more severe actions to be taken.

No Manager or coach shall:

1. Endanger the welfare of any player.
2. Direct verbal or physical abuse toward any official, player, coach or spectator.
3. Display objectionable demonstration of dissent at an official's decision by throwing of equipment or use any other unsportsmanlike action.
4. Use unnecessarily rough tactics in the play of a game against the body of an opposing player.
5. Use profane, obscene or vulgar language in any manner at any time.
6. Use drugs, tobacco products, or alcohol at any game or practice.
7. Challenge an umpire's authority; the umpires shall have the authority and discretion during a game to penalize the offender according to the infraction up to and including removal from the game.
8. Encourage any person (player or adult) to perform any of the above.

Manager/Coach Signature

Date

Player/Parent Code of Conduct

Big Flats Little League has implemented the following Player and Parent Code of Conduct for the important message it holds about proper sportsmanship for players and the role of parents in supporting their child in sports. Players and parents should read, understand and sign this form prior to their children participating in our league.

Any player or parent guilty of improper conduct at any game or practice will be given a warning and possibly asked to leave the sports facility. Players may be suspended from playing in a game following an incident. Repeat violations may require more severe actions to be taken. Members of the Board of Directors may, upon evidence of league related misconduct of any child, notify the Manager of the team of which the child is a member in a timely manner after the act. Said manager will appear, in the capacity of an advisor, with the child's parents or guardian, before the Board of Directors. The Board will have full power to suspend or revoke such child's right to future participation by a two-thirds vote.

As a parent or guardian of a child participating in Big Flats Little League, I agree:

1. I will not force my child to participate in baseball.
2. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youths, not adults.
3. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
4. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
5. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parent such as booing, and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
6. I will not encourage any behaviors or practices that would endanger the players.
7. I will teach my child to play by the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
8. I will teach my child to treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect.
9. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
10. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
11. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches privately.
12. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and I will refrain from their use at all sports events and practices.
13. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.

As a player participating in Big Flats Little League, I agree:

1. I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any player, official, coach, or parent such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
2. I will treat umpires with respect at all times and will allow my manager to clarify rulings where appropriate.
3. I will exhibit good sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and demonstrate support of other players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
4. I will not participate in or encourage behaviors that could be harmful or discouraging to others; behaviors such as fighting or any form of physical or mental intimidation.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Player Signature

Date

Emergency Telephone Numbers

TO BE POSTED AT EACH FIELD AND CONCESSION STAND.

POLICE.....DIAL 911

FIREDIAL 911

AMBULANCEDIAL 911

POISON CONTROL 1-800-222-1222

BFLL President- Chris Gagliano 315-406-7841

Safety Officer-Karl Aepelbacher 738-0019

Volunteer Applications and Background Checks

- ❖ *Each coach, manager, team parent, board member or any volunteer having repetitive contact with players shall be required to fill out a volunteer application annually.*
- ❖ *The purpose of the volunteer application is to screen applicants for any criminal history involving children.*
- ❖ *Little League requires that a nationwide check be done and these checks will be conducted by the safety officer using Choicepoint.com. and through the Department of Justice National Sex Offender Registry (www.nsopr.gov)*
- ❖ *These background checks shall be completed BEFORE a person assumes any role to which he/she applied.*
- ❖ *BFLL will not permit any person to participate in any manner whose background check reveals a conviction or guilty plea for any crime involving or against a minor.*

Mandatory Trainings

On Wednesday March 21, 2012 Fundamentals & First Aid training will be conducted at the coach's dinner to be held at Tags from 6-9 pm.

- ❖ One coach/manager from each team is required to attend each year.*
- ❖ All coaches/managers must attend the training at least once every three years.*
- ❖ New coaches in the league are encouraged to attend.*
- ❖ First Aid Kits to be issued at this event. Replenishment supplies are available through the Safety Officer,*

Provided by the league, Fundamentals training will include hitting, sliding, fielding throwing, catching, and pitching.

Safety training will include first aid training, treatment of injuries as well as reporting injuries and rules of conduct.

A 2012 Safety Manual will be issued to all teams and board members as well as having a copy accessible in all common areas and the concession stand.



HAVE YOU:

- Walked field for debris/foreign objects**
- Inspected helmets, bats, catchers' gear**
- Made sure a First Aid kit is available**
- Checked conditions of fences, backstops, bases and warning track**
- Made sure a working telephone is available**
- Held a warm-up drill**

CONCESSION STAND FOOD SAFETY

Clean - Wash Hands and Surfaces Often!

- WASH HANDS WITH HOT SOAPY WATER BEFORE HANDLING FOOD.
- WASH CUTTING BOARDS, DISHES, UTENSILS AND COUNTERS WITH HOT SOAPY WATER AFTER PREPARING EACH FOOD ITEM.
- ALL WIPING CLOTHS MUST BE STORED IN A SANITIZING SOLUTION MADE UP OF BLEACH AND WATER AT APPROXIMATELY 1 CAPFUL OF BLEACH PER 1 GALLON OF WATER.
- A SUPPLY OF DISPOSABLE TOWELS AND HAND SOAP MUST BE AVAILABLE.

Separate - Don't Contaminate

- USE A CLEAN PLATE FOR COOKED FOODS. NEVER PLACE COOKED FOOD ON A PLATE THAT PREVIOUSLY HELD RAW FOOD.
- ALL FOOD ITEMS SHOULD BE COVERED WHENEVER POSSIBLE.
- STORE FOOD AT LEAST SIX INCHES OFF THE FLOOR TO MINIMIZE THE CONTAMINATION OF FOOD AND ALLOW PROPER FLOOR CLEANING.
- WASH HANDS FREQUENTLY!

Cook



Cook Food To Proper Temperatures

- WHEN COOKING IN A MICROWAVE OVEN, COVER FOOD, STIR AND ROTATE FOR EVEN COOKING.
- KEEP HOT FOODS HOT, AND COLD FOODS COLD! HOT FOODS MUST BE KEPT AT 140°F OR ABOVE, AND COLD FOODS MUST BE KEPT AT 41°F OR BELOW.
- USE A CLEAN METAL STEMMED THERMOMETER TO MEASURE THE INTERNAL TEMPERATURE OF COOKED FOOD TO MAKE SURE IT IS THOROUGHLY DONE.

Chill - Refrigerate Promptly

- REFRIGERATE FOODS QUICKLY. COLD TEMPERATURES KEEP HARMFUL BACTERIA FROM GROWING AND MULTIPLYING.
- REFRIGERATOR TEMPERATURE MUST BE SET AT 40°F OR LOWER, AND FREEZER AND 0°F OR LOWER. CHECK THESE TEMPERATURES OFTEN.
- THAW FOOD IN THE REFRIGERATOR.
- DIVIDE LARGE AMOUNTS OF FOOD INTO SMALL, SHALLOW CONTAINERS FOR QUICK COOLING.
- DON'T OVER-PACK THE REFRIGERATOR.
- KEEP THE FREEZER AND REFRIGERATOR CLOSED WHEN NOT IN USE. THIS KEEPS THE COLD AIR INSIDE.

Accident Reporting

- ❖ *Each coach will get an injury report to be issued with the safety manual.*
- ❖ *The injury report will be filled out on all injuries.*
- ❖ *An injury shall be defined as anytime play has been stopped and the player is removed from the game.*
- ❖ *This form shall be filled out on all injuries, no matter how minor the incident may seem.*
- ❖ *Additional forms are available on the league website or through the safety officer.*
- ❖ *All injuries MUST be reported to the safety officer, Karl Aepelbacher within 24 hours & must be reported to the insurance company within 48 hours.*
- ❖ *Bring all “near misses” to the attention of the safety officer so that we might be proactive in avoiding future injuries.*

Activities/Reporting

A Safety Awareness Program's Incident/Injury Tracking Report

League Name: _____ League ID: ____ - ____ - ____ Incident Date: _____

Field Name/Location: _____ Incident Time: _____

Injured Person's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Age: _____ Sex: Male Female

City: _____ State _____ ZIP: _____ Home Phone: () _____

Parent's Name (If Player): _____ Work Phone: () _____

Parents' Address (If Different): _____ City _____

Incident occurred while participating in:

- A.) Baseball Softball Challenger TAD
- B.) Challenger T-Ball (5-8) Minor (7-12) Major (9-12) Junior (13-14)
 Senior (14-16) Big League (16-18)
- C.) Tryout Practice Game Tournament Special Event
 Travel to Travel from Other (Describe): _____

Position/Role of person(s) involved in incident:

- D.) Batter Baserunner Pitcher Catcher First Base Second
 Third Short Stop Left Field Center Field Right Field Dugout
 Umpire Coach/Manager Spectator Volunteer Other: _____

Type of injury: _____

Was first aid required? Yes No If yes, what: _____

Was professional medical treatment required? Yes No If yes, what: _____
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 Collision with: Player *or* Structure
 Grounds Defect
 Other: _____
- B.) Adjacent to Playing Field
 Seating Area
 Parking Area
 Concession Area
 Volunteer Worker
 Customer/Bystander
- D.) Off Ball Field
 Travel:
 Car *or* Bike *or*
 Walking
 League Activity
 Other: _____

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Prepared By/Position: _____ Phone Number: (____) _____
Signature: _____ Date: _____

LITTLE LEAGUE® BASEBALL & SOFTBALL NATIONAL FACILITY SURVEY

2012



League Name: Big Flats LL

District #: 06

ID #: 232-06-06

(if needed) ID #: _____

(if needed) ID #: _____

City: Big Flats State: NY

President: Chris Gagliano

Safety Officer: Karl Aepelbacher

Address: 19 Glider Circle

Address: 24 Carriage Circle

City: Elmira

City: Elmira

State: NY ZIP: 14903

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Email: gaglianochris@ymail.com

Email: kaepelbacher@stny.rr.com

PLANS FOR FUTURE NEEDS

What are league's plans for improvements?	Indicate number of fields in boxes below.		
	Next 12 mos.	1-2 yrs.	2+ yrs.
a. New fields	0	0	0
b. Basepath/infield	0	1	0
c. Bases	0	0	0
d. Scoreboards	0	1	0
e. Pressbox	0	0	0
f. Concession stand	0	0	0
g. Restrooms	0	0	0
h. Field lighting	0	0	0
i. Warning track	0	0	0
j. Bleachers	0	0	0
k. Fencing	0	1	0
l. Bull pens	0	0	0
m. Dugouts	0	0	0
n. Other (specify):	0	0	0

FIELD DIMENSION DATA

Please complete for each field. Use additional space if necessary.

Field No.	Height of outfield fence	Distance from home plate to:				Foul territory distance from:					
		Outfield fence			Back stop	Left field line to fence at:			Right field line to fence at:		
		Left	Center	Right		Home	3rd	Outfield foul pole	Home	1st	Outfield foul pole
1	4.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	21.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00
2	4.00	190.00	205.00	160.00	17.00	21.00	28.00	28.00	21.00	18.00	10.00
3	4.00	175.00	175.00	175.00	17.00	21.00	36.00	21.00	21.00	36.00	21.00
4	3.00	285.00	300.00	285.00	38.00	42.00	60.00	0.00	42.00	60.00	0.00
5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Return completed survey with safety program registration and supporting materials by May 1, 2006 to:

Mailing address:
 Little League International
 PO Box 3485
 Williamsport, PA 17701

Shipping address:
 Little League International
 539 US Route 15 Hwy.
 South Williamsport, PA 17702

No.	Questions	Fld. #1	Fld. #2	Fld. #3	Fld. #4	Fld. #5	Fld. #6	Fld. #7
1	How many cars can park in designated parking areas for this field?	1-50	1-50	1-50	1-50	1-50		
2	How many people will your bleachers seat for this field?	1-100	1-100	1-100	1-100	1-100		
3.a.	Are the bleachers made of wood on this field?	Yes	No	No	No	No		
3.b.	Are the bleachers made of metal on this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
3.c.	Are bleachers for this field made of material other than wood or metal?	No	No	No	No	No		
4	If bleachers are made of metal, is a ground wire attached to a ground rod?	No	No	No	No	No		
5	If bleachers are made of wood, are they inspected annually for safety?	Yes	No	No	No	No		
6	Is there a safety railing at the top/back of bleachers for this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
7	Is there a handrail up the sides of bleachers for this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
8.a.	Is permanent telephone service available for this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
8.b.	Is cellular telephone service available for this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
9.a.	Is a permanent public address system available for this field?	No	Yes	No	No	No		
9.b.	Is a portable public address system available for this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
10	Is there a pressbox for this field?	No	Yes	No	No	No		
11	Is there a scoreboard for this field?	No	Yes	Yes	No	No		
12	Are adequate bathroom facilities available for this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
13	Are permanent concession stands available for this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
14	Are mobile concession stands available for this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
15	Is this field completely fenced?	No	Yes	No	Yes	No		
16.a.	Is the fencing made of chainlink on this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		
16.b.	Is the fencing made of wood on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
16.c.	Is the fencing made of wire on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
17.a.	Is the basepath material on this field is sand, clay or soil mix?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		
17.b.	Is the basepath material on this field is ground burnt brick?	No	No	No	No	No		
17.c.	Is the basepath material on this field other than sand, clay, soil mix or ground...	No	No	No	No	Yes		
17.d.	If yes to other material, what is the basepath material on this field?					grass		

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18.a.	Is non-caustic line used to mark the baselines on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
18.b.	Is spray paint used to mark the baselines on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
18.c.	Is commerical marking used to mark the baselines on this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
19	Is the infield surface grass?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
20	Does this field have a conventional dirt pitching mound?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
21	Does this field have a temporary pitching mound?	No	No	No	No	No		
22	Are there foul poles on this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No		
23	Is there a backstop behind home plate on this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
24.a.	Is there an outfield warning track for this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
24.b.	If yes, what width is the warning track?	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
25	Is there a batter's eye (screen/covering) at center field on this field?	No	Yes	No	No	No		
26	Is there a pitcher's eye (screen/covering) behind home plate on this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No		
27	Does this field have protective fences in front of the dugouts?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		
28	Is there a protected on-deck batter's area on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
29	Are fenced limited access bull pens available for this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
30	Is a first aid kit provided for this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
31.a.	Do bleachers for this field have overhead screens for spectator foul ball protec...	No	No	No	No	No		
31.b.	Do bleachers for this field have fencing behind for spectator foul ball protecti...	No	No	No	No	No		
32	Do your bases disengage from their anchors? (Mandatory since 2008)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
33	Is this field lighted?	No	No	No	No	No		
34.a.	Are light levels at/above Little League standards?	No	No	No	No	No		
34.b.	Light levels on this field are not known?	No	No	No	No	No		
35.a.	Are there wood poles on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
35.b.	Are there steel poles on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
35.c.	Are there concrete poles on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
36	Is the electrical wiring to each pole on this field is underground?	No	No	No	No	No		

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37	Are there ground wires connected to ground rods on each pole on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
38.a.	Was the electrical system on this field tested/inspected in last two years?	No	No	No	No	No		
38.b.	What month/year was electrical system testing done on this field?							
38.c.	Were the light levels on this field tested/inspected in the last two years?	No	No	No	No	No		
38.d.	What month/year was the light level testing done on this field?							
39.a.	Was the electrical system on this field tested/inspected by a qualified technici...	No	No	No	No	No		
39.b.	Were the light levels on this field tested/inspected by a qualified technician?	No	No	No	No	No		
40.a.	Does field have limitation on amount of time for practice?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
40.b.	Does field have limitation on number of teams or games?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
40.c.	Does field have limitation on scheduling and/or timing?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
41.a.	Is this field owned by a municipality?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
41.b.	Is this field owned by a school?	No	No	No	No	No		
41.c.	Is this field owned by a league?	No	No	No	No	No		
42.a.	Municipality is responsible for operational energy costs on this field?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		
42.b.	School is responsible for operational energy costs on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
42.c.	League is responsible for operational energy costs on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
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44.d.	Other group is responsible for improvements on this field?	No	No	No	No	No		
45.a.	Is T-ball and Minor League baseball played on this field?	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes		
45.b.	Is Major division baseball played on this field?	No	Yes	No	No	No		
45.c.	Is Junior, Senior and Big League baseball played on this field?	Yes	No	No	No	No		

*****Facility Survey Completed Online*****

Activities/Reporting

A Safety Awareness Program's Incident/Injury Tracking Report

League Name: _____ League ID: ____ - ____ - ____ Incident Date: _____

Field Name/Location: _____ Incident Time: _____

Injured Person's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Age: _____ Sex: Male Female

City: _____ State _____ ZIP: _____ Home Phone: () _____

Parent's Name (If Player): _____ Work Phone: () _____

Parents' Address (If Different): _____ City _____

Incident occurred while participating in:

- A.) Baseball Softball Challenger TAD
- B.) Challenger T-Ball (5-8) Minor (7-12) Major (9-12) Junior (13-14)
 Senior (14-16) Big League (16-18)
- C.) Tryout Practice Game Tournament Special Event
 Travel to Travel from Other (Describe): _____

Position/Role of person(s) involved in incident:

- D.) Batter Baserunner Pitcher Catcher First Base Second
 Third Short Stop Left Field Center Field Right Field Dugout
 Umpire Coach/Manager Spectator Volunteer Other: _____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____