



### **Coach Pitch Baseball Division:**

- a. The Flexi-Ball will be used.
- b. Two (2) coaches per team will be allowed to help instruct and coach from the field in defensive time, as long as it does not interfere with the play.
- c. Pitching Rules:
  - i. Walks are not allowed in this division.
  - ii. For the first 1/3 of the season, coaches will pitch the entire game. Date determined by the Division General Manager, which will be set prior to the season starting. When the adult pitches, they must pitch from the dirt of the pitching mound. It is encouraged that that adult is pitching from their knee, to the batter.
  - iii. For the second 2/3 of the season, players will pitch the first two (2) innings with the coach pitching the final two (2) innings. Date determined by the Division General Manager, which will be set prior to the season starting.
  - iv. For the rest of the season, the players will pitch the entire game. Date determined by the Division General Manager, which will be set prior to the season starting.
  - v. Any Manager who fails to follow the pitching process outlined above may be subject to disciplinary action to include a one (1) game suspension.
  - vi. After ball four (4) a designated adult, with a valid background check, will pitch and the strike count will continue until the batter hits or strikes out.
  - vii. A player may only pitch one (1) inning per game.
  - viii. League age 6-, 7-, and 8-year-old players are allowed to pitch.
  - ix. Pitchers are encouraged to pitch from 46' distance to the plate. If they cannot pitch the ball to the plate, they may move no closer than 40' distance to the plate.
- d. There will be no bunting or half swings.
- e. There will be no leading off.
- a. There will be NO on deck circle. Bats cannot be swung inside or near the dugout, once the game has started. Bats must remain out of the players' hands until they are entering the field for their at bat.
- f. The length of game will be six (6) innings or a two (2) hour time limit, with no inning starting after 1½ hour of play.
- g. One half inning will consist of: three (3) outs or five (5) runs scored.
- h. The Coach Pitch Division General Manager and the Player Agent will select teams, with the President and Vice President.
- i. Pitching affidavits must be kept and **MUST BE IN INK ONLY**. Each team will have a designated pitch counter for their team and will record the counts for each player in the pitching affidavit.
- j. Stealing of bases will not be allowed.
- k. The home team will prep the field prior to each game. The visiting team will pick up all garbage (including common areas) and empty garbage containers for that field to the dumpster and drag the field after each game. The home team will sweep the home dugout, and the visiting team will sweep the visiting dugout. If the team fails to do this, they will lose practice field privileges at SKELL.
- l. There must always be a SKELL volunteer with a valid background check in the dugouts during games.



- m. A batter is out when a 3<sup>rd</sup> strike is caught or not caught by the catcher.
- n. Each team will be on a field maintenance schedule to mow and maintain the field, which will be assigned and monitored by the Divisional General Manager. If field maintenance is not completed, if the team fails to do this, they will lose practice field privileges at SKELL.
- o. Only five (5) league age 8-year-old players will be rostered to a coach pitch team. If there are more 8-year-old than the number of teams with five (5), then the players will be added to teams starting with the team with the fewest players. If all teams have equal number of players, the player will be added to Team 1 and any additional players added sequentially to the teams.
- p. Any hit may result in a single base hit. Any clean hit to the outfield without being touched by an infielder may result in a double.