Idaho District 2 Inter-league Rules Baseball Major/Minor Divisions 2023 Spring Season THESE RULES APPLY TO ALL INTER LEAGUE GAMES

1. There will be a joint Board of Directors that will govern the program. It will consist of the President of the league or the Vice-President/Director of the division involved or the Player-Agent for the same division. The Assistant District Administrator of Baseball will chair the board.

DISTRICT INTERLEAGUE PROTEST FORMAT: The protest committee will consist of the Assistant District Administrator of Baseball (who is acting in the position of the League President during interleague play) or designated representative, District UIC or designated representative, and one board member from each league involved.

- 2. All playing rules will be **STRICTLY** by the Little League Rule Book and Inter-league rules.
- 3. N/A
- 4. Each team will furnish a minimum of one **certified** umpire for all inter-league games. A manager or coach may umpire in the field if only one umpire shows up. If more than 2 umpires are present, they shall be allowed to umpire (see rule 9.03b). The home team shall provide the plate umpire. In the absence of 2 **certified** umpires, and the inability or unwillingness of a manager or coach to umpire, the game will be suspended and possibly re-scheduled.
- 5. Rescheduling of interleague games will be at the discretion of the individual leagues involved. Interleague games not played as scheduled are strongly encouraged to be rescheduled.

As a courtesy, during times of severe inclement weather it is requested that playing conditions be reviewed and cancelled by 4pm to save teams from travelling to a site that is unplayable. On weekend games notice of cancellation should be given no later than two hours before game time.

- 6. The HOST LEAGUE will furnish the official score book and the home team will provide the official scorekeeper. The official scorebook and scorekeeper/pitch counter are not to be in the dugout. They are to be made available to the umpire at all times. The official scorebook will be signed by the scorekeeper at the conclusion of the game. The official scorebook will be made available to the protest committee upon request.
- 7. N/A
- 8. Each league/team will provide at least 2 new baseballs for each game. (An adequate supply of baseballs is required per game.) [Rule 3.01]
- 9. The **HOST** league shall prepare the field before each game. **BOTH** teams shall help with clean up after the game, especially the stands and dugouts. **HOST** teams shall break down the fields as needed.
- 10. Games will start at the time specified as scheduled. For Minors games, no new innings to be started after 1:45 minutes from the actual start time. (Rule 4.10c) For Majors games no new innings to be started after 2 hours from the actual start time. Games may be shortened by conditions such as darkness, weather, etc., at the sole discretion of the game UIC once the game has begun.
- 11. Thrown bat and physical contact policy as defined by District 2 will be enforced.
- 12. Manager is responsible to verify bats are legal as approved by Little League.
- This division will adopt continuous batting rule will be used in Majors and Minors inter-league games. [Rule 4.04]

- 14. This division will adopt that when a team has only eight players in the game this division will not assess an out when the missing ninth batter position comes up to bat. [Rule 4.04, 6.05(n)]
- 15. This division will adopt the option to continue play with only 8 players [Rule 4.17]
- 16. This division will adopt the reduced minimum play rule for rosters of 15 or more. [Reg IV(i)]
- 17. This division will adopt the courtesy runner for pitcher/catcher with two outs. The courtesy runner must be the last previous out. [Rule 7.14(b)]
- 18. This division will adopt the option to allow the Plate umpire to call balls/strikes from behind the pitching mound, but it is strongly recommended that the plate umpire position themselves behind the catcher. [Rule 9.04(a)]
- 19. Both the winning and losing managers will report the game score to the District within 24 hours of the completion of the game. Report scores via e-mail to scores@idaho2littlleague.org
- 20. FOR AA MINORS DIVISION AND BELOW GAMES ONLY(waiver approved by Charter Committee 3/7/2020). A runner at 3rd can not advance to home on any unhit pitch or throw back to the pitcher unless forced by baseon-balls or hit batter. Stealing of home is allowed if a play is being made on any runner.
 - a. In the absence of a segregated Minors program, it will be deemed AA Minors for the purpose of this rule.
- 21. For Minors, this division WILL adopt the option provided to suspend the five (5) run limit. It is required that the umpire invokes the 5.07 rule at the top of the inning. [Rule 5.07]
- 22. Major division does not adopt the option to use the Minor League rule for the uncaught third strike. (Rule 6.09(b))
 - a. Majors can advance on an uncaught third strike.
 - b. Minors cannot advance on an uncaught third strike.

Approved/Acknowledged via unanimous vote by the League Presidents at the Presidents Meeting February 26, 2023

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