



EL DORADO HILLS LITTLE LEAGUE

A DIVISION

A Division rules; these rules are in addition to all official Little League rules found in the Little League rule book. ***Due to Covid restrictions, catcher position will not be utilized. Please use a fourth outfielder. Rules 5c and 6c/d referenced.**

1. Parents

- a) All parents must complete a medical release form before the player is allowed on the field to play or practice.
- b) Only players and the three coaches' are allowed in the dugouts during the game.

2. Manager / Coach

- a) Medical release forms must be kept with the Manager at all games and practices.
- b) A Single A team can declare 3 official coaches (including the manager) for the year. Manager is responsible to setup fair rotations throughout the regular season for fielding and batting.
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3. Game Prep

- a) Home team provides 2 new game balls at the beginning of each game.
- b) Home team is responsible for prepping the field for play on weekends and/or if not prepped during the week.

4. Game Time / Play / Warm ups

- a) Games will be 6 innings or 1 hour and 45 minute time limit, whichever comes first.
 - i. If the time limit is reached the current inning may be completed
 - ii. No new inning shall start after 1 hour and 30 minutes,
- b) Each inning will consist of 5 runs or 3 outs including the last inning.
- c) The time limit between innings is 1 minute.

5. Equipment

- a) All bats are to remain outside the dugout and only the designated batter may have a bat in hand.
- b) Recommended all players wear a cup during games and practices.
- c) Catchers must wear a cup while playing the position of catcher.*

6. Game

- a) Infield fly rule is not in effect
- b) While on offense, a coach is only allowed to coach 1st and 3rd base.
- c) While on defense, a coach is only allowed to coach catchers.*
- d) Coaches may assist catchers to keep the game moving*
- e) Play is over when:

- i. Time out has been called,
- ii. The base runner has advanced one base on an overthrow or
- iii. The infielder is in possession of the ball and returning it to the pitcher.

7. Batting

- a) The entire roster bats during the game, although each player may not have the opportunity to bat each inning.
- b) All batters must use a helmet while batting or running bases, during all games and practices.
- c) There is no on deck circle.
- d) The on deck batter must wait in the dugout **without** a bat and with a helmet on and ready to go.
- e) If a batted ball hits the Coach Pitcher the play is automatically dead and the batter will receive another pitch.
- f) A batter can strike out if the Coach Pitcher throws three (3) strikes, however a batter cannot be walked.

8. Base Running

- a) Stealing is not allowed
- b) One base will be allowed per overthrown ball.
- c) Feet first sliding is allowed, but only recommended for players who have been taught how to slide properly.
- d) Head first sliding is only allowed going back to a base, but is strongly discouraged at this level.

9. Outfielders

- a) Outfielders must initiate play on the grass and not on the dirt infield.
- b) If playing on an all grass field coaches will ensure players start play in what would be the outfield.

10. Pitchers / Tracking Pitches

- a) A Division is a coach pitch division only
 - i. Coaches will pitch overhand.
 - ii. The offensive team coach will pitch to their own batter and each batter will receive 5 pitches.
 - iii. If the batter fouls off the 5th pitch they will get another pitch until the ball is either put in play, fails to swing or the batter swings and misses.

11. Umpires

- a) There are no "official" umpires at this level; upcoming junior umpires may be assigned to games as base umpires for preparedness for next division. They will confer with managers prior to start of game as to observance for game or officiating on base path.
- b) The coaches and managers are responsible for calling outs and strikes along with making rule interpretation.
- c) Opposing coaches/managers are to work together and make the calls within the guidelines of the playing rules.
- d) Balls and strikes thrown by Players will be called by the offensive team's coaches from behind the pitcher.

12. Scorekeeper

- a) There are no standings in A Division therefore scores will not be kept except to enforce the 5 run per inning rule.

13. Post Game

- a) Visiting team is responsible for field clean up at the end of each game.
- b) Each team is responsible for clean-up of their dugouts.
- c) **Please make sure all field equipment is locked in shed after use**

Special Note:

Remember that these are not all of the rules, should you have any questions regarding rules or items not covered in the Division rules or Little League rule book, please contact the Commissioner and/or Vice President of Operations.

Revision History

Amendment Date	Approved by	Sections Updated
December 6, 2015	Board of Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Formatting Updated➤ Kid pitch has been removed
November	General Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Formatting updated➤ Kid pitch has been removed
November 28, 2017	Board of Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Reviewed – No changes
February 26, 2018	Board of Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Update Pitchers / Batting to reflect Coach Pitcher➤ Remove pitching distance➤ Update umpire information
February 25, 2019	Board of Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Reviewed – No changes
February 18, 2020	Board of Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Reviewed – No changes
April 8, 2021	Board of Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ 5c & 6c/d – no catcher this season
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