

## Kid Pitch (9 and 10 year old)

### Field Specifications:

Bases	65 feet
Home plate to 2 <sup>nd</sup>	91 feet 11 inches
Home plate to rubber	46 feet
Mound height	4 inches

1. To be eligible for the 9-year-old division a player may not turn 10 before Jan 1st of the current year. To be eligible for the 10-year-old division a player may not turn 11 before Jan 1st of the current year. For Fall you must play the age group you will play the next spring
2. Regulation games shall be 5 innings, unless game time has expired.
3. Four innings (*3 $\frac{1}{2}$ innings* if home team is ahead) constitutes a complete game if the game has to be called for any reason other than the run rule or time limit (i.e. inclement weather, power failure, etc.).
4. Only 6 runs may be scored in an inning or 3 outs to complete an inning, whichever comes first. For Fall we will only allow 5 runs an inning or 3 outs to complete an inning, whichever comes first.
5. If a team is leading its opponents by at least 13 runs after 3 innings (2  $\frac{1}{2}$  innings if home team is ahead) have been played or at least 7 runs after 4 innings (3  $\frac{1}{2}$  innings if home team is ahead), the game shall be terminated and the team ahead is declared the winner.
6. All players will be placed in the lineup of the scorebook and all players will bat. If a player becomes sick after the start of the game, a line shall be marked through their name for their bats thereafter with no penalty. If a player arrives late, their name shall be added to the bottom of the batting order. Courtesy runner will be allowed for the catcher and pitcher only, and is mandatory with two outs.
7. Pitchers shall not be allowed to pitch more than 5 **innings** per calendar day. After pitching 3 **innings** or more in a calendar day the pitcher must have **40 hours** of rest before pitching again. A player may not pitch more than 8 **innings** in a calendar week. *Note:* A calendar week is from 12:01am Monday to 12:00 Midnight the following Sunday. A warm up pitch shall be considered as having pitched 1 inning if that is the first inning the pitcher has pitched.
  - For all cumulative totals in this rule, one (1) out equals one-third ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) of an inning, two (2) outs equals two thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of an inning and three (3) outs equals one (1) full inning. A pitcher that pitches in a game and records no outs is only charged with 1 innings pitched.
  - Outs recorded during a game that ends in forfeit shall count towards a pitchers' innings limits.
  - For purposes of pitching limitations rules, a pitcher is in violation of the rule if he records any out above the legal pitching limits pursuant to these rules.
8. Once a pitcher is removed from the mound, **he/she** will not be able to pitch in the remainder of the game.
9. Penalty for violation of the pitching rule in baseball will result in a game suspension of the coach on the first offense and forfeiture of game(s) in which the violation(s) occur. The second offense will result in a full calendar year suspension of the coach and forfeiture of game(s) in which violation(s) occurs.
10. Base stealing is allowed for 10U.
11. **9U Runners will not be allowed to lead off. They may steal bases once the pitcher has released the ball**
12. Balks will be called.
13. **9U drop third strike will be an out the hitter may not advance to first.**
14. Any pitcher that hits 5 batters total (per game) will be removed from pitching immediately.

