2010 MILPITAS NATIONAL LITTLE LEAGUE MINOR DIVISION BYLAWS

<u>Manager Conduct:</u> All managers and coaches must be 18 years or older. All coaches and managers must have a volunteer form and background clearance on file with the respective boards. Managers must dress appropriately. No tank tops, cutoff shorts, or sandals will be worn. There shall be no use of profanity, tobacco, or alcoholic beverages on park or school premises. Spectators shall not be allowed in the dugouts or on the playing field.

The manager must have a team roster for their team, which will list the manager coaches and players. Pitching affidavit and scorebooks must be present at the beginning of the game.

- 1. The manager must submit their line-up to the Umpire in Chief at the plate meeting 15 minutes prior to game time, announcing the team's starting line-ups and reserves. Three copies must be issued. UIC will forward one copy to the opposing manager and one to the scorekeeper.
- 2. Barring injury, no changes in the starting line-up may take place due to late arrival of players. Late arrivals will be added to the bottom of the existing lineup but must wait (sit) 3 consecutive outs after reporting his/her presence to the scorekeeper before he or she can play.
- 3. Home Team Managers and coaches are responsible for preparing the field for play. All Managers are responsible for cleanup after the game. Visiting Team Manager and coaches are responsible for securing league equipment.
- 4. Minor games will only play 6 innings. No new inning will start after 2-1/2 hrs. There will be a 5 run rule per inning, after five runs have scored then that inning will stop, ending the inning and the side retired. After the completion of the 3rd inning the 5-run rule is NOT in effect. The 10-run rule is in effect.
 - 5. Substitutions: Refer to Rule 4.04 in LL book.
 - 6. Pitching: Pitch count is in effect, refer to LL rule book.
- 7. Continuous Batting: A continuous batting order will be played. The entire roster will be entered in the scorebook as the official batting order.
- 8. Tenth Player: Managers have the option to place a 10th defensive player on the field for the first half of the season. Before the second half the league board of directors will determine the appropriate number of players permitted. There will be no buck short position (behind second base).
- 9. Both teams during the first part of the season may use two adult coaches in the coach's box as long as there is one adult coach in the dugout. The second half of the season there can be one player as base coach on the field. The other may be an adult coach. All adult coaches on the field and in the dugout must be an approved coach from the league board of directors.
- 10. Un-sportsman-like conduct: Any physical contact or verbal abuse by a manager, coach, or player toward an umpire, teammate or to the other team will be automatically ejected from the game. Manager, coaches or players throwing or abusing equipment will not be tolerated and will be subject to ejection from the game. All ejections will be at the umpire's discretion.

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- 11. Postponed Game: Postponed game due to weather or situations uncontrollable by the league during regular season will not be rescheduled unless the minimum amount of games required (12) is in jeopardy. Game will go into the scorebook as a 6-6 tie.
- 12. Postponed Game Forfeit condition: Scorebook needs to be annotated as to why the game is forfeited. List the players that showed up and those that were absent. The umpire will sign the scorebook and is required to report it to the League President for ruling by the forfeit committee. If no umpire is available, both managers need to sign the scorebook.
- Condition 1: If one team does not have enough players to start a game and is unable to borrow player(s), the game will be scored 6-0 win for the opposing team.
- Condition 2: If both teams at game time do not have enough players both teams forfeit the game. The score goes into the official scorebook as a 0-0 forfeit.
- 13. Incomplete game: If a game is called before it is a regulation game, it shall be resumed exactly where it left off. All records, including pitching, shall be counted. The game will be scheduled to be played at the next available date.
- 14. Borrowed Players: Minor teams may borrow players from the opposing team or a player from the same division if the team does not have enough players at the start of a game. Borrowed players may not pitch in that game. The opposing team in good sportsmanship will allow the other team to borrow players.
- 15. Home team is responsible for providing an umpire and two game balls. If no umpire shows up for the game, the managers will first look for a qualified umpire in the stands, one from each team. Both managers will agree who will umpire the plate and bases. If no qualified umpire can be found in the stands each team will provide one coach to umpire. Game will not be rescheduled because of no umpires.
- 16. When Playing at MNLL Minor Field, the left field boundary is defined as: Cones will be placed where the fenced area ends by the scoreboard dividing the T-ball and minor outfields and will extend outward to the end of the left field foul line.

Fair fly balls that go over the cones or fence in flight will entitle batter and all runners to advance home after legally touching all intervening bases. Fair balls that bounce, roll or deflect into these areas will entitle the batter and all runners to advance two bases after legally touching all intervening bases. If a player catches a fly ball in the playing area and falls or steps back into the out of bounds areas, the ball is alive and the runners may advance at their own risk after properly tagging up to their respective base.

17. Post season tournament play will be conducted as a round robin.