

# **WEST VALLEY LITTLE LEAGUE**

## **LEAGUE BY-LAWS – BB Majors Division**

**(As of 2010)**

Majors Division – West Valley Little League recognizes the Majors Division, officially known as Little League Baseball, as primarily 11 and 12 year olds with skilled 10 year olds eligible.

Little League Baseball's 2010 Official Regulations and Playing Rules govern our league (Tee Ball, Minor League, and Major League) except as modified by the following rules. All Managers are responsible for reading and abiding by both the above referenced Rule Book and this document.

### 1.0 Team Responsibilities

- 1.1 The team designated on the schedule as the home team shall occupy the third base dugout.
- 1.2 Each team shall provide one new ball at the beginning of the game.
- 1.3 The home team shall provide the official scorekeeper.
- 1.4 Line-up cards and scorebooks will use the players 1<sup>st</sup> initial and last name or full name.
- 1.5 The home team will prepare the field before each game.
- 1.6 The visiting team, at the completion of the game, will be responsible for picking up trash around the spectator area and for taking two (2) bags of trash, from the trash can nearest the field, to the dumpster.

### 2.0 Equipment

- 2.1 WVLL currently utilizes vest-style uniforms. These uniforms must display the official Little League Patch on the upper left chest area of the vest.
- 2.2 WVLL provides the following: vest, t-shirt, belt, socks and cap. Each player may retain the cap and socks. Each player is required to return the vest, t-shirt, and belt at the end of the season. Collection of uniforms is the responsibility of the Manager for each team.
- 2.3 Each player must wear regulation baseball pants with belt loops.

### 3.0 Game Start and Stop Times

- 3.1 All weekday games shall start at 6:15 p.m.
- 3.2 Games at the Major level have no stop time; however, darkness may be a factor. The home plate umpire has responsibility for calling the game in the event of darkness or weather. The home plate umpire is urged by the WVLL Board of Directors to err on the side of caution when determining when to call a game due to weather or darkness.

### 4.0 Players, Substitutions and Coaches

- 4.1 Children not registered in West Valley Little League may not play, practice or reside in the dugout with any team.
- 4.2 Coaches will follow the Little League Baseball's Official Regulations and Playing Rules regarding pitchers.
- 4.3 All Managers must abide by the minimum playing requirements as detailed in Little League Baseball's Official Regulations.

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4.4 In the event that a team loses a player through injury or other approved means a replacement will be selected pursuant to the rules noted in the Official Regulations and Playing Rules.

5.0 Batting Order

5.1 As per rule book.

6.0 Stealing

6.1 As per rule book.

7.0 Pitching

7.1 West Valley Little League utilizes the Pitching Affidavit form. This form is maintained, in ink, by the Official Scorekeeper (home team's responsibility) and is used to document the date of the game, team played against, name of the pitcher, league age of the pitcher, number of innings pitched. This form is to be signed at the end of each game by the Official Scorekeeper and returned to each team's Manager for maintenance. It is the Official Scorekeeper's responsibility to notify the home plate umpire if a team is utilizing (or appears to be utilizing) an ineligible pitcher.

7.2 Refer to Official Regulations and Playing Rules for pitching rules.

8.0 Umpires

8.1 Each team shall provide a Certified Umpire. Home team provides the home plate umpire and the visiting team provides the field umpire.

8.2 The home plate umpire has responsibility for calling the game in the event of time, darkness or weather. Refer to Division start and stop times in section 3.0.

8.3 Ten run rule does not apply.

9.0 Official Scorekeeper

9.1 The official scorekeeper, provided by the home team, is to maintain both teams' pitching affidavits and the official scorebook. This individual is not to be in the dugout and is to be available to the home plate umpire at all times.

9.2 The Pitching Affidavit is to be completed in pen, signed at the end of the game by the Official Scorekeeper and returned to the respective Managers.

9.3 The Official Scorebook is to be completed by the official scorekeeper. The Official Scorekeeper is to sign the official scorebook. The book is to be retained by the home team manager.

10.0 End of Season Play-off

10.1 Seeding are determined by [www.westvalleybaseball.com/standings.php](http://www.westvalleybaseball.com/standings.php)

10.2 Regular season rules apply. Tournament rules do NOT apply.

Voted in and Attested to: January, 2010.

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Veerkamp, VP of Baseball

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For Inter-league ground rules please see document entitled 2010 Inter-league By-laws – BB Majors.