Mini Minors Game Rules

RULES

- 1. Players should arrive 30 minutes prior to start of game for a warm up
- 2. A game is 4 innings. No inning can start after 1 hr 15 minutes of play. A tie game will not continue after the maximum number of innings in a regular scheduled game are completed.
- 3. Each team supplies a scorekeeper to run the scoreboard.
- 4. There is no "on deck" circle to warm up batters.
- 5. Each team will have 3 outs or a maximum of 3 runs per at bat per inning. In the last inning the visiting team may score enough runs to go ahead by 3 before 3 outs. The home team may then try to score enough runs to go ahead before 3 outs are made.
- 6. The maximum number of bases a player can advance on a hit is 2.
- 7. The following is NOT ALLOWED bunting, lead offs, stealing, sliding, pinch hitting, or protesting.
- 8. Coaches may be in the outfield coaching the defensive team. They may enlist parents to help.
- 9. All players play the field in every inning. A catcher (in full equipment) is required. All players must stand in a normal playing position on the field (3rd base, shortstop, 2nd base, etc.) with the other players filling in around the outfield. A 7th "rover" infielder may be used.
- 10. A continuous batting order is used.
- 11. Pitching:

Before the May long weekend:

• Coaches will pitch (at 28 feet) where each player gets 5 good pitches. A bad pitch (e.g. doesn't cross the plate) is not counted. The coach will call "bad pitch." If a player fouls on their last pitch they will get another pitch. If a hit is not made after all the pitches the tee is brought out until they hit.

After the May long weekend:

- The player in the pitching position (at 28 feet) will attempt 3 pitches to each batter. If no hit is made after those 3 pitches, the coach will pitch 3 remaining pitches. If a hit is not made after all the pitches the player is out. 3 swinging strikes also count as an out. If a player fouls on their last pitch they will get another pitch. The pitching will revert back to the pitcher for the next batter.
- 12. Every effort should be made to rotate players into different positions equally. This is so they get the chance to play every position throughout the season.
- 13. All teams must have someone in charge of the dugout (i.e. coach or parent with CRC).
- 14. There will be a fun Mini Minor jamboree at the end of the season.

MINI-MINOR UMPIRES (PARENTS AND COACHES)

- 1. In Mini-Minors, parents take on the role of umpires.
- 2. Home team is to supply the home plate and 1st base umpires.
- 3. Home plate umpire will make the calls at home plate and 3rd base. The 1st base umpire will make the calls at 1st base and 2nd base.
- 4. The innings will change when there are 3 runs OR 3 outs.
- 5. The batter must DROP the bat do not throw it. If the batter throws the bat, the get one warning. A second infraction means that the batter is out.
- 6. Remove the bat when the runners are coming in to the home plate and replace it when the plate is clear.
- 7. Ask the coaches if they have asked the players if they are wearing jocks or jills.