

**Airdrie Little League Baseball Association**  
**Major AA Prairies**  
**2009 Tournament Rules**

1. For the 12 year old AA tourney, all players must be league age 11 or 12 as of April 30, 2009, to be eligible to play in the tournament.
2. Each team must carry with them a signed league affidavit showing all players on the team. This affidavit must show player's name, address, birthday and league team he or she played on during the regular season. The affidavit must be used as the official affidavit (no other affidavit may be used). Each team must also carry a signed medical release form for each player on the affidavit.
3. The maximum number of players permitted on a team is 14 and the minimum number is 9. No game can be played with less than 9 players. Rule 4.16, 4.17
4. Every player present for a game must play 3 consecutive defensive outs and bat 1 time.
5. Line-ups, including uniform numbers and first and last names of players and all substitutes must be turned over to the opposing team's scorekeeper before game time. Late players may not be added to the line-up after the game **starts**.
6. Home team will be decided by a coin toss and home team will be the official scorekeeper and pitch counter.
7. Substitution Rule  
Any player who has been removed for a substitute may re-enter the game in the SAME position in the batting order.

Defensive substitutions must be made while the team is on defense. Offensive substitutions must be made at the time the offensive player has his/her turn at bat or is on base. (T 10. (d) p.T17).

8. Pitching Rules
  - a. Any player on a tournament team may pitch. (NOTE: There is no limit to the number of pitchers a tournament team may use in a game.)
  - b. The manager must remove the pitcher when said pitcher reaches the limit for his/her age group as noted below, but the pitcher may remain in the game at another position:

11-12	85 pitches per day
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  - c. Exception: If a pitcher reaches the limit imposed above for his/her league age while facing a batter, the pitcher may continue to pitch until that batter reaches base or is put out.
  - d. Pitchers must adhere to the following requirements:
    - If a player pitches 46 or more pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed + a game.
    - If a player pitches 21 to 45 **pitches in a day**, one calendar day of rest must be observed + a game.
    - If a player pitches 1 to 20 pitches in a day, no rest is required.
  - e. A player may not pitch in consecutive games. Exceptions – A player may pitch in consecutive games if less than 21 pitches were pitched in the previous game
  - f. A player may not pitch in more than one game in a day

9. All games will be 6 innings in length (subject to mercy rule) with no new innings starting after 2 hours. If a game is tied after 6 innings, extra innings should be played if time permits. Games tied after the time limit will remain as a tie. Teams must be prompt and adhere to scheduled game times to avoid having games shortened unnecessarily.

If a game cannot start within 15 minutes of the scheduled start time due to a shortage of players (less than 8), then the game will be defaulted and the final score will be 6-0 against the defaulting team.

10. All catchers must wear an approved Little League catcher's helmet with throat protector and long body chest protector. Chin straps on batting helmets are mandatory
11. Good sportsmanship is expected from all participants, coaches, players and spectators. No abuse of umpires or officials will be tolerated. One warning from the umpire may be given and ejection will result on a second offense. No warning is required to eject any individual.
12. The Away team may have to provide one umpire to work the game. Airdrie Little League will attempt to provide 2 umpires for each game, however, there are times when umpires are unavailable and volunteers are required.
13. If one team is up by 10 or more runs after 4 complete innings (3 ½ if home team), then the manager of the losing team must concede the victory to the opponent.
14. The home team will notify the Tournament Committee after each game with:
  - the final score; and
  - Number of innings played.
  - Pitch Count RostersSigned by both managers.
15. Final standings after the round robin play will be determined by number of wins. In the event of ties in the standings, the following formula will be used to determine ranking:
  - a) the result of the games between the tied teams;
  - b) least runs against (least runs against divided by defensive innings); then
  - c) Most runs for (Most runs for divided by offensive innings).

If it is necessary to use the runs against or for portions of the formula, games ending without completed innings will use the score from the last completed inning.

16. Three (3) coaches will be allowed in the dugout regardless of how many kids are on the lineup. This will allow for 2 adults to coach the bases during batting. There is still the requirement to have one coach in the dugout at all times.
17. Coaches will be allowed to wear shorts.
18. Coaches will be allowed to warm-up pitchers between innings to speed up game play.
19. Except for the exceptions noted herein, all regular Little League Rules will apply.
20. Any game protests must go through the Tournament Committee for clarification and resolution.
21. Any questions or concerns regarding the tournament must go through the Tournament Committee.
22. The Tournament Committee shall rule on any other matters not specifically dealt with in these rules.