



## 12 & UNDER RULES

Age Eligibility:

All players must be 12 or under on May 24<sup>th</sup> 2011.

Pitching and base distance:

65' bases - 50' pitching distance

Non-metal cleats must be worn

Substitution of Players:

There will be free substitution for teams that elect to bat the entire lineup. If you bat the entire lineup and one of the players get hurt or have to come out of the game then there will be an automatic out every time that spot comes up to bat.

Mercy (Run) Rule:

<u>Length of game</u>	<u>Run Differential</u>	<u>Inning</u>
7 innings	15	3 <sup>rd</sup> inning
7 innings	8	4 <sup>th</sup> inning

Tie Breaker:

If game ends in a tie then extra innings will be played until there is a winner.

Infield Fly Rule will be called

Balks:

Balks will be called.

Base Stealing:

Runners will be able to lead off and steal any and all bases at any time.

Drop 3<sup>rd</sup> strike:

If the catcher fails to hold on to the called 3<sup>rd</sup> strike this will result in a live ball and the runner can take first base. The catcher will need to throw the runner out at first.

**Anyone reported in writing, by a game official or staff member to the Parks and Recreation Department for making derogatory, profane, vulgar, or unsportsmanlike remarks or conduct, or who makes threatening actions to another person or fighting, whether it is a member of a team, coach, representative, parent or spectator, etc, in any park, shall be subject to disciplinary action.**

**Rules for conduct to Umpires**

- ❖ The manager or team caption is the only member of a team who may question, in a courteous manner, an umpire's decision. Any other player disputing an umpires call may be ejected from the game, maybe directed to leave the ball park, and may be suspended for a minimum of (2) weeks.

- ❖ Any manager or player using profane, vulgar or uncalled-for language may be ejected from the game, maybe directed to leave the ball park, and may be suspended for a minimum of (2) weeks, if the recommendation by the umpire states so.
- ❖ The umpire may eject the manager and one or more players to be chosen from the bench, for derogatory, profane, or uncalled for remarks coming from the team's bench. The person(s) that are ejected must leave the ballpark and may be suspended for a minimum of two (2) weeks, if recommendations by the umpire state so.
- ❖ Managers, when asked by the umpire for the name or names of certain players, shall give them to the umpire immediately. Any manager failing to comply may be suspended for a minimum of six (6) weeks.
- ❖ Any manager or player ejected from the game and suspended by the Parks and Recreation Board for the second time during a season may be suspended for one (1) year after the review by the Parks and Recreation Board.
- ❖ Any player or manager directing derogatory, profane or uncalled-for remarks toward any umpire, after a game, may be suspended for a minimum of six (6) weeks, if recommendations by the umpire states so
- ❖ Any manager who does not (in the umpire's opinion) control his team before, during or after a game may be suspended for a minimum of four (4) weeks. The game shall be forfeited.
- ❖ Threatening action toward the umpire by a manager or player may carry a minimum suspension of two (2) years. The game may be forfeited and all members of the team put on probation.
- ❖ Any manager taking a swing at an umpire shall be suspended for a minimum of five (5) years. The game shall be forfeited and all the team members placed on probation, if team action or inaction warrants.
- ❖ Any player, coach or team that has been ejected from the game has one (1) minute to leave the field and its immediate area to a distance where they can no longer interfere, either physically or verbally, with play, if so directed by the umpire.

### **Payment and Fees**

- ❖ **All fees must be paid by cash or check. Payment by check needs to be made to Palmyra Parks & Recreation. Driver's license information and place of employment must appear on check.**
- ❖ **Team registration will be taken till the advertised deadline as long as spots remain.**
- ❖ **If a team drops from a league following the deadline the refund is subject to a 10% fee. If the league schedules have been completed/released and a team drops. The refund will be subject to a 15% fee.**

### **Forfeitures - Official Game**

- ❖ **Game time is forfeit time. If a team cannot place nine (9) players on the field at the point the game is to begin, the game will be declared a forfeit**
- ❖ **If a team forfeits two (2) times in a row, they will be dropped from the league unless they request a special hearing and show Palmyra Parks and Recreation valid reasons for forfeitures.**

**Questions/Concerns contact the Palmyra Parks & Recreation office at (573)769-9534 or [palmyraparksandrec@centurytel.net](mailto:palmyraparksandrec@centurytel.net)**