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# Templeton Youth Baseball League

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## TYBL Baseball Rules

2010 Season

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### **Official Baseball Rules of TYBL**

All games shall be played according to the official baseball rules as outlined by the Cal-Ripken and Pony rulebooks with the exceptions contained herein. Local rules always take precedence over the Cal-Ripken/Pony rulebooks when there is a conflict with the exception of tournament play. These exceptions to the rules of baseball have been made by the respective youth baseball organizations in order to adapt the game to fit the needs of their young participants. The primary and guiding principle in the TYBL selection and implementation of these rules is to make the game of baseball fun while providing a positive learning atmosphere where we help all the children advance their skills and abilities.

### **Rulebook**

Cal-Ripken rules govern games played between two Templeton teams, or between a Cal-Ripken league team and Templeton. Pony rules will govern when a Templeton team plays a Pony league team.

### **Time of play**

Coach Pitch: No new inning shall start after 60 (1hr) minutes of play. The clock begins when an umpire signals to home team pitcher to begin play. The new inning begins when the last out from the previous bottom half of the inning is recorded.

Minors: No new inning shall start after 90 minutes (1hr30min) of play. The clock begins when an umpire signals to home team pitcher to begin play. The new inning begins when the last out from the previous bottom half of the inning is recorded.

Majors: No new inning shall start after 105 minutes (1hr45min) of play. The clock begins when an umpire signals to home team pitcher to begin play.

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### **Participation**

Coach Pitch: All players play in the field each inning. Each child plays an infield position at least one inning per game.

Minors: No child can sit out more than one inning until each player has sat out at least one inning. Each child plays an infield position at least one inning per game.

Majors: No child can sit out more than two consecutive innings. Each player plays a minimum of two innings. Over the season each player must play full games for one third of the games they attend.

### **Batting order**

Coach Pitch: A continuous batting order shall be used.

Minors: A continuous batting order shall be used regardless of player substitution in the game. Minors will bat the full roster in attendance at the game.

Majors: A continuous batting order shall be used regardless of player substitution in the game. Majors will bat the full roster in attendance at the game.

### **Cleats**

Steel cleats are allowed only when playing by Pony rules, see “Rulebook” above.

### **Bats**

Large barrel bats may be used during Templeton-Templeton games and Templeton-Pony games. Small barrel bats must be used for Templeton-Cal Ripken games.

### **Pitching**

Coach Pitch: No strikeouts are allowed in coach pitch. Coaches are encouraged to use good judgement and common sense in allowing players to have success at the plate without overly delaying the game.

Minors: Pitchers may pitch no more than 3 innings per game and 6 innings per any one week period. Any part of an inning counts as a full inning for this rule.

Majors: Pitchers may pitch no more than 4 innings per game and 8 innings per any one week period. Any part of an inning counts as a full inning for this rule.

### **Stealing**

Coach Pitch: No stealing is allowed in coach pitch.

Minors: Stealing rules will change during the season by consensus. The first third of the season there will be no stealing, during the middle third stealing may occur on passed balls, and during the final third of the season stealing may occur at any time. These rules may be overridden by agreement between coaches prior to the start of the game and shall be done so in the presence of the head umpire.

Majors: No local variation.

### **Runs Allowed per Inning**

Coach pitch: A team can at most bat through the entire order in a single inning.

Minors: A five run per inning rule stands for all innings, including the last.

Majors: May be 4 to 5 with a final unlimited inning (to be determined by a meeting of the coaches before the first game of opening day).