KVL BASEBALL LEAGUE RULES - 11-12 BOYS

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- AGE: 11 12 participants cannot be 13 before June 1st of the season in progress.
- **BASE DISTANCE:** 65'
- PITCHING DISTANCE: 48"
- TIME LIMIT: 1 hour and 30 minutes **DROP DEAD**, regardless of score or inning.

MUST PLAY/PARTICIPATION

- 1. There will be a maximum of 9 players at all times. Minimum of 7 players to begin a game.
- 2. There will be NO automatic outs for teams playing shorthanded.
- 3. All players must play at least two complete innings on defense unless the game concludes in less than 4 innings. Breaking this rule will result in a forfeit.
- 4. There will be free substitutions on defense providing each player plays two complete innings.
- 5. A $\frac{1}{2}$ inning consists of three (3) outs or five (5) runs.

PITCHING

- 1. There are no pitching limitations. Coaches are encouraged to use common sense when scheduling pitchers.
- 2. There will be 3 conferences allowed per game for each pitcher, with no more than 2 in one inning.

BATTING

- 1. All players present will bat in the batting order.
- 2. Bunting is allowed.
- 3. If a player shows up after the game has started, he will be added to the bottom of the roster.

RUNNING

- 1. No bulldogging allowed. All runners must slide or attempt to avoid contact when a play is being made on them.
- 2. Dropped third strike rule is in effect.
- 3. If a catcher reaches base safely, a courtesy runner may be used for them at any time. The courtesy runner will be the last batter who is NOT on base, but has completed their turn at bat.

SPECIAL RULES

- 1. 45 minutes played will constitutes a game if it is stopped due to any reason.
- 2. Run Rule: There is NO RUN RULE. All games will be 1 hour and 30 minutes DROP DEAD. When 1 hour and 30 minutes of playing time has elapsed, the game will be declared over immediately, regardless of score or inning. Batter may finish the at-bat.
- 3. Catchers MUST wear an athletic cup while in the field. All other players are STRONGLY encouraged to wear an athletic cup at all times.
- 4. No steel cleats will be allowed.
- 5. Negative chanting or bantering by players, coaches or spectators directed towards opposing team/players; including player position, calling out player numbers or player names will not be tolerated. Positive cheering of own team and players is encouraged. PENALTY: One warning per game, second infraction coach ejected, and third infraction game forfeited.

Any rules not covered in the above shall fall under the general rule written by the League and rules which will be under the jurisdiction of the home field Director.

