

11U Rules

All **House League Operating Rules** previously outlined apply with the following exceptions and additions:

1. LEADING OFF - There will be no leading off until the ball has left the hand of the pitcher. If a player leads off they will be called out.
2. PASSED BALL ON THIRD STRIKE - The batter may not run on a third strike missed by the catcher. The ball is live and any runner may advance at their own risk.
3. **A BALL THAT IS PITCHED OR THROWN OUT OF PLAY.... Subject to Rule #4 below, where a ball is pitched or thrown out of play, and for the purpose of base awards, the Official Rules of Baseball will apply. (Clarification on Rule #4 precedence....R2 is stealing 3rd and the Catcher, in an attempt to get R2 at 3rd, throws the ball out of play. Rule #4 takes precedence so there is no additional base award on the ball thrown out of play. R2 remains at 3rd). No extra bases will be awarded when a ball goes out of play due to poor fence conditions.**
4. STEALING - Stealing bases are allowed. A runner may only advance one base at a time. Runners will not be allowed to steal home plate. (eg. R1 steals second and the catcher attempts to throw to 2nd to retire R1 but throws the ball into center field – R1 stays at 2nd and cannot steal 3rd until the next pitch)
5. STEALING HOME - The only way to advance home is on a base award (eg ball pitched or thrown out of play), when forced (eg bases loaded and the Batter is walked) or by being batted in. Any runner that steals home plate will be sent back to third base. If the team continues to steal home plate they can be ruled out. **To further clarify.... where the catcher makes a play on R3 after a pitch, R3's only option is to return to 3rd.**
6. NO BALKS will be called.
7. IN FIELD FLY rule NOT in effect.
8. NO DELIBERATE CURVE BALLS may be thrown.
9. NO BUNTING is allowed. Attempted bunt will result in being called a strike.
10. **PITCHING RULES – see Pitching Rules (Sec 25) in House League Operating Rules.**
 - a. **Rookie Call-ups cannot pitch**
11. PITCH AND CATCH – Players cannot pitch or catch in the same game.
12. All calls by the umpire crew will be final. Any discrepancies should wait until the end of the inning and off the playing area. Any complaints about umpires need to be brought to the convener. Umpires watch is official time.