

PENNSYLVANIA LITTLE LEAGUE SECTION 111 TOURNAMENT INSTRUCTIONS

1. All games played during PA Section 3 Tournament will be played in strict accordance with Official Little League Tournament Rules. Section 3 instructions as outlined serve as guidelines to facilitate, clarify and in some cases emphasize the tournament brackets, field protocol and expectations. These instructions or any further instruction on anyone's part may not conflict with Official Little League Tournament Rules.
2. The host District Administrator will serve as Tournament Director for any PA Section 3 Tournament game played in their District.
3. All weekday games will start at 5:30 pm and all weekend games will start at 5:00 pm and in case of rain will be played on the next day, etc.
4. The team traveling the shortest distance to the game site must complete their practice 30 minutes prior to start time. The other team must complete their practice 15 minutes prior to start time. The final 15 minutes must be free for pre-game field maintenance and care. Each team is to have 15 minutes of practice time.
5. Pre-game care and any cost thereof is the responsibility of the league hosting the game. Concession stand receipts belong to the league hosting the game. There can be no charge for the use of the field or pre-game care.
6. Any money received from radio rights or the like shall be split between the teams. Radio fees for the Section 3 Tournament games are \$50 per game and in agreements with radio stations; they must be advised that this payment is due prior to the start of the game and their broadcast.
7. As soon as both teams are available the District Administrator or his Game Director, with adult team representative present shall flip a coin. This flip is to determine either home team or the option to select a dugout. There shall be no pre-established home and visitor dugout. The winner of the flip has their choice of home team or to select a dugout. The loser then has the right to choose the remaining option. This coin toss WILL take place at the home plate area and the coin MUST come to rest naturally on the ground.
8. The Tournament Director will provide a capable scorekeeper, who shall immediately following the end of the game, enter on the reverse side of each teams Eligibility Affidavit, IN INK, the information as required. In addition, the scorer should make sure that the Tournament Director (or the DA appointed Game Director) signs both team affidavits. The league is to supply a person to do pitch count.
9. The Tournament Director or in his absence, his designated Game Director shall be the sole judge of the fitness of the playing field prior to the start of the game. REMEMBER ONCE THE GAME IS UNDERWAY, THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR SHOULD

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NOT BECOME INVOLVED IN ANY DISCUSSION OR ARGUMENT BETWEEN MANAGERS AND UMPIRES, UNLESS, AS IS PROVIDED IN THE TOURNAMENT RULES AND GUIDELINES, THE UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF REQUESTS THEIR PARTICIPATION.

10. The host District is responsible for game balls. The Umpire-in-chief should be provided with three (3) baseballs/softballs prior to the game start and provided new baseballs/softballs as required.

11. NO PROTEST OF AN UMPIRES JUDGEMENT CALL IS PERMITTED WHEN A MANAGER CLAIMS THAT AN UMPIRE'S DECISION IS IN VIOLATION OF THE OFFICIAL LITTLE LEAGUE RULES, HE/SHE MUST MAKE A FORMAL PROTEST TO THE UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF AT ONCE. PROTESTS NOT MADE PRIOR TO THE NEXT PITCH WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. IF A FORMAL PROTEST IS CORRECTLY MADE, THE UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF SHALL CALL A CONFERENCE OF ALL UMPIRES IN ORDER TO MAKE A DECISION ON THE PROTEST. IF PROTESTS OR DISPUTES OCCUR WHICH CANNOT BE RESOLVED BY THE UMPIRES OR TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR THE GAME/TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR SHOULD REFER TO THE "RESPONSIBILITY AND CHAIN OF COMMAND" SECTION OF THE CURRENT LITTLE LEAGUE RULES AND GUIDELINES IN THE RULE BOOK.

12. Appropriate umpire attire is required. Umpires shall wear gray slacks, blue shirts with the Little League logo affixed, black or dark blue hats and black shoes and belt. A dark blue "XPOS" shirt with American flag on opposite shoulder to logo is preferred.