

New Palestine Youth League

2017 Tournament Rules (11 & 12 Year Olds)

General Information

- 1) Rain information see www.NPYL.com
- 2) All teams will be responsible for their own insurance
- 3) New Palestine will provide umpires for the tournament
- 4) Individual trophies will be awarded to each participant on the first and second place teams in each age group.
- 5) Please support the tournament through the use of concession stand for purchases of food and drinks.
- 6) ***No Alcoholic Beverages are Permitted on the Premises***
- 7) ***No smoking or tobacco use on school grounds. To include the diamond area, concession stand, and parking lot.***
- 8) No pets are allowed on the baseball/school grounds. No exceptions

Tournament Rules

MAJOR LEAGUE RULES

- ❖ Age requirements:
 - a. 11 year old players must not have reached their 12th birthday before May 1, 2017
 - b. 12 year old players must not have reached their 13th birthday before May 1, 2017
- ❖ Rosters are due at the tournament check-in table no later than 1 hour before the team's first game. No changes to the roster will be permitted once they are checked-in. Copies of Birth Certificates are also due no later than one hour before the first game of the team. Only birth certificates will be accepted as proof of age. Failure to provide a valid copy of a birth certificate will disqualify the individual until the copy of the birth certificate is produced. The modification or falsification of the copy of the birth certificate will immediately disqualify that team from the tournament. If a manager wishes to question the eligibility of a participant, a \$100.00 protest fee must be presented. The protest fee will be returned if the questioned participant is shown to be ineligible.
- ❖ 11 & 12 Year olds will play on 70' bases with a pitching distance of 50'
- ❖ Runners may lead off of bases.... Balks will be called.
 1. The maximum bat size allowed is **2 1/4"**.
 2. Home team designation will be determined by the flip of a coin. During single elimination, better seed is always home team.
 3. A complete game will consist of 6 innings, however, the 10 run rule will apply after 4 innings.
 4. Maximum 8 runs per inning... 6th inning and beyond 10 runs per inning.
 5. A one hour, forty-five minute time limit is in effect for all games except the championship game. A new inning cannot start after the time limit has expired.
 6. **No infield before games**
 7. Each team will bat all dressed players. The minimum number of players to start and finish a game is 8. There will be an automatic out in the 9th batting position.

8. Pitching Rules: Pitchers can pitch no more than 3 innings in a game. One pitch in an inning counts as a complete inning pitched. Only the starting pitcher may return to pitch once removed from the mound. The starting pitcher may only be brought back to pitch 1 time.
9. Trips to the mound may not exceed one trip per pitcher in any one inning. A second trip shall automatically result in removal of the pitcher from the mound.
10. Courtesy runners are allowed for catchers when there are 2 outs. Courtesy runner will be the player that made the last out.
11. Infield fly rule will apply.
12. No Mandatory slide rule. Runner is to avoid contact. Player will be called out or ejected for interference on a fielder making a play. This is a judgment call by the umpire. Runners may slide headfirst back to their returning base, but cannot slide headfirst going to the next base.
13. There will be no completely replayed games. If the game has gone at least 4 innings, then it will constitute a complete game. 3 ½ innings, if the home team is ahead.
14. If the game is suspended in the middle of an inning due to weather and has completed the minimum number of innings to constitute it as a complete game, then the final result of that game will revert back to the previous full inning played.
15. Judgment calls and interpretations may not be protested or argued. Umpires have the final say.
16. No arguing or poor sportsmanship from players, coaches or fans will be tolerated. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of the team and fans. Any team violating this rule will be given one warning, the second will be suspension in the tournament.
17. Pitchers should not wear white sleeves under their uniform shirts. Pitchers wishing to wear sleeves must choose a dark color.
18. If a pitcher hits two batters in an inning, he shall be removed as pitcher. If said pitcher still has eligible innings, he may return to the mound in a later inning. If he hits a third batter, then the pitcher shall be removed permanently. He may play a different position.
19. Balks will be called as they happen. There will be one warning given per pitcher.
20. A batter can advance on a dropped 3rd strike. However, if the batter heads towards the dugout first, the batter is out. If 1st base is occupied with less than 2 outs at the start of the pitch and the catcher drops a 3rd strike, then the batter cannot advance to first base. If there are 2 outs and first base is occupied and the catcher drops a 3rd strike, the batter is allowed to advance to 1st base.