

FALMOUTH LITTLE LEAGUE

AA BASEBALL RULES

1. AA league is an instructional league intended to have the kids learn the game of baseball and have fun.
2. There is no official score keeping or standings.
3. Only one bat in use at all times!! There is no on-deck player warming up by swinging a bat.
4. All team members play in the field.
5. Each player bats once each inning. Once all players have batted on a team, the teams switch batting and fielding.
6. If the fielding team records an out, the batter or baserunner will return to the bench. It is our goal to teach AA players the rules of the field and baserunning. Should the fielding team record three outs in the same inning, the bases will be cleared of runners.
7. There is a maximum base advancement of one base on a fielder's overthrow, or when a ball hit to the outfield is returned to the infield.
8. Coaches are involved in the pitching and a maximum 7 pitch count per batter (then the batter can be issued a walk). Each team will be pitched to by their own coach, in most circumstances.
9. Coaches are expected to rotate all players through all fielding positions during each game (with the exception of catcher). No child will be forced to play catcher if they do not wish. Coaches will be provided a spreadsheet to help facilitate the rotations of the players and the batting order throughout each game. This policy has been approved by the FLL Board. Parents please email the AA Baseball VP if this rotation is not occurring on your child's AA little league team. There will also be a section of the FLL website that will allow comments to be made on-line.
10. No leading or base stealing.
11. No inning starts after 7:00 p.m. on a school night. The games must stop 10 minutes prior to the start of the next scheduled game.
12. Each team supplies one game ball.
13. It is the responsibility of all coaches to provide a safe, enjoyable baseball experience for all players. If you see something that is unsafe, fix it before continuing with the game or practice.
14. All players are required to wear a protective cup.
15. While in the dugout, no climbing on the benches or fences AND no player may have a bat in their hand at any time except when preparing to leave the dugout for their turn at bat. This is a real safety issue and must be constantly monitored by coaches. 'One bat rule'
16. When the fields are closed, the fields are closed. This decision will be made by the Town of Falmouth or Little League Board and must be adhered to by the coaches. The decision to close the fields will be posted on the town website and communicated via email whenever possible.