

## **O & S Coach Pitch League**

Rainout Hotline – (618) 622-1439

Updated at 4:00pm during weekday games, 9:00am for Saturday Games

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### **General**

- Games will consist of one hour of play. Please do not start a 3<sup>rd</sup> inning unless you are sure teams will be able to bat. (If no game is being played after you will have leeway on this)
- No Score will be kept during Coach Pitch League games.
- No Jewelry shall be worn during games, unless it holds religious or medical significance. No watches, rings, bracelets, or necklaces.
- If a player engages in inappropriate or distracting behavior during the game, the coach shall issue a warning to the player. If the behavior continues, the coach shall have the discretion to remove the player from the game.
- Teams have a 12 game schedule, with 10 games guaranteed.
- If lightening is seen by anyone. Alert the umpires and vacate the field. Games must wait 30 minutes from the most recent flash of lightening before resuming play. Example: There is a lightening flash at 6:20pm. The game must wait till 6:50pm to resume. If there is a flash of lightening between 6:20pm and 6:50pm, the 30 minute delay restarts from the flash.

### **Batting**

- Helmets must be worn at all times while players are on base and batting
- Every player on a Coach Pitch League team will bat each inning. When every player has batted, the half inning is over.
- Players will get 3 pitches from the coaches to hit. If they do not hit a fair ball out of those pitches, the Tee will be brought out and players will get a maximum of two swings off of the tee.
- Each player can only advance one base each time the ball is hit. Only the last batter can clear the bases.
- Players are not allowed to lead off.
- If a player throws the bat after batting, he/she will be issued a warning from their coach after the first time. If the player throws the bat again during the same game, he/she will be out for the remainder of the inning.
- No sliding or stealing bases
- No outs will be made. All players will be allowed to run the bases regardless if they get a hit or not.

### **Fielding**

- Every player on a team will be on the field when the other team is batting.
- Two coaches are allowed on the field to assist with defensive positioning.

- Defenses will have all of the traditional positions filled, with the exception of a catcher, and the addition of a player standing directly behind second base.
- Coaches should help instruct the players on which base to throw the ball too on a hit.
- If a player engages in inappropriate or distracting behavior during the game, the coach shall issue a warning to the player. If the behavior continues, the coach shall have the discretion to remove the player from the game.

#### Personal Conduct Policy

- On any conduct problem concerning coaches, players and/or spectators, umpires are instructed to deal only with coaches, who are responsible for correcting the problem. If the problem persists, a forfeit will result.
- No manager, player, coach, or spectator may charge, threaten, or abuse an umpire before, during, or after a game. Such behavior will result in ejection from the league.
- All spectators not directly involved in the game must stay more than 10ft outside of the foul territory.
- If a discipline problem with a player arises during a game, and a coach wished to remove a problem player, he/she shall notify the opposing coach and the umpire in order to adjust the batting order. If the discipline issue persists, the coach must notify O'Fallon Parks and Recreation to explain the situation.
- Players must remain in the designated bench area during the game
- There shall be no heckling of an opposing team by anyone, nor shall any spectator or player verbally or physically attempt to distract an opposing player. Violations of this rule will result in ejection of the offending player(s)/spectators and/or forfeit of the game.
- The coach is responsible for the conduct of his or her spectators, parents, and players on the field and bench. **COACHES, SPECTATORS, AND PLAYERS SHALL NOT DISPUTE CALLS MADE BY THE UMPIRE.** Coaches, players, or spectators who are verbally abusive to the umpires, players, or each other may be ejected by the official or field supervisor and must leave the field immediately.