

# CALIFORNIA DISTRICT 49

## ALL STAR TOURNAMENT RULES

1. The teams shall arrive at the playing field at least 1 hour prior to game time and be warmed up and ready to take infield 30 minutes before game time. **\*\*If there is inclement weather you shall arrive with your team as indicated above. Game will be played at discretion of Tournament Director.\*\***
2. Tournament affidavits must be turned into the Tournament or Site Director sixty minutes (1 hour) prior to game time.
3. Home team designation will be determined by a coin toss conducted by the Tournament Staff with Team Managers **sixty minutes (1 hour) before game time**. Home team shall occupy the third base dugout. Failure of a Team Representative to check in for the coin toss will result in a forfeit of the toss.
4. Plate meeting with the Umpires and Managers will begin 5 minutes prior to game time with the remainder of the team in their appropriate dugouts.
5. Three (3) copies of the line up must be given to the Tournament or Site Director **30 minutes before** game time. NOTE: All players, along with the manager and coach(es) that are listed on the team's affidavit, must be listed on the line up sheet. First AND Last names.
6. All equipment will be checked prior to each game by the participating Umpires, or the Tournament Staff. Illegal or damaged equipment will be removed. No protest will be considered.
7. Only the team manager, two coaches, and a maximum of 14 players (16 players for Senior Baseball only and 17 players for Big League Baseball only) shall be permitted in the dugout. **All other persons shall occupy the identified spectator area.**
8. The game strategy shall be conducted from the dugout. Conversation from the dugout with spectators may result in the offending player, coach, manager being removed from the game.
9. There will NOT be any special seating provided for the team scorekeeper. All changes will be reported from the dugout through the Chief Umpire to the Official Scorekeeper. These changes will then be announced. Any book kept outside your dugout will be considered a stat book and will not be admissible as proof of score, batting out of order, pitch count, protests, etc.
10. At the discretion of the Umpire-in-chief, only approved, official, newspaper photographers may be on the playing field during the game.
11. Managers, coaches and players are to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. If you disagree with the umpire's decision, it is expected the correct and appropriate procedure will be used in discussing the matter.
12. **THE USE OF FOUL LANGUAGE, GESTURES or making of derogatory remarks WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.** This shall be cause for immediate removal of the offender from the game.

13. Disruptive behavior by the spectators will not be tolerated and will be cause for removal of the offender from the ballpark.

14. Teams are expected to hustle on and off the field.

15. Additional ground rules pertaining to specific playing field adjustments or expected conduct of team members will be discussed at the opening plate conference with the game umpires.

16. Managers or coaches can not wear cutoff shorts or tank tops. The dress code shall be neat and appropriate for a Little League Representative.

17. Once the game begins, **NO PLAYER, COACH, OR MANAGER** may leave the dugout without the permission of the Umpire. Stepping outside of the dugout for a smoke will constitute leaving the dugout without permission and that person will be prevented from reentering the dugout for the remainder of the game. There will be no smoking or tobacco of any kind allowed in the dugout.

18. Rest room privileges will be permitted providing:

a. permission is first obtained from the umpires.

b. The individual goes directly to and from the rest room without engaging in conversation with the spectators.

**VIOLATION:** Offender may be removed from the game.

19. No pins or good luck charms may be worn on the uniform or caps of the managers, coaches, or players. No jewelry, inclusive of earrings, may be worn on the field by the manager, coaches or players. Medical alert and religious medals can be worn if they are covered and taped to the body or inside the uniform (out of sight).

20. During the game, teams ***will not*** be permitted to meet outside of the dugout.

21. No Buckets, Coolers, stools, chairs, etc. of any kind will be allowed in the dugout. There are benches provided for players, managers and coaches.

22. No Sunflower seeds, gum, or food of any kind will be allowed inside the dugout. If there is a medical issue the manager must bring the concern to the tournament director for special consideration.

22. **IMPORTANT:** No adults are allowed to warm up or catch with players at any time. This will result in removal from the game.

23. **IMPORTANT:** Failure to meet Mandatory Play requirements will result in a two-game suspension of the team's manager.

24. Outside food and non-alcoholic drinks are permitted, however no ice chests or coolers of any kind will be admitted onto the park grounds in the spectator area.