# **Minor Division Guidelines**

## 1. Inning Rules

- a. 3 outs
- b. 6th Inning
  - i. Home team losing can score as many runs as they can until 3 outs or win

#### 2. Mercy Rule

a. See Manager/Coach Responsibilities

## 3. Baseballs

- a. 16 game balls will be provided to be used for home games only
- b. Use practice balls for practice only

# 4. Stealing and Leading Off

- a. Stealing is permitted at this level
  - i. Stealing home check with the other teams Manager at meeting with Umpire. Home team should decide on this rule.
- b. Leading off is not permitted

# 5. Bunting

- a. Can be done
  - i. Recommend working on during practices

# 6. Number of Players on the field

- a. Maximum number permitted on the field is 10
  - i. Minimum is 9
- b. Only 9 can start a game during tournaments

# 7. No continuous batting

a. Not permitted at this level

## 8. Each child must play

- a. 12 kids or less on the team
  - i. At least 2 innings and 2 at bats
- b. 13 kids or more on the team

i. At least 1 inning of play or 3 outs

# 9. Score Keeping

a. Have an assistance coach keep score

## 10. Fielding Rules

a. Follow rules in Little League Rule Book

## 11. Overall Areas to reinforce

- a. Catching
- b. Throwing (aiming)
- c. Fielding (i.e. where to throw the ball, pop up's)
- d. Hitting
  - i. Bunting
- e. Basic position coverage
- f. Sliding
  - i. Instruct kids how to determine when to slide
  - ii. Instruct kids to look for signs running to third
  - iii. No head first slides unless retreating back to the base

## 12. Ground Rules

- a. Cover at the meeting with the umpire and other manager
  - i. Under or bounce over the fence raise hand
  - ii. Potential hazards holes in the outfield or the fence

## 13. Third drop strike

- a. Not permitted during the season
  - i. 10 11 Division of All-Star tournament plays (suggest covering in practices)