

2019 Willowick Mites Rules

Use WRBL rules with the following below exceptions/changes.

Game Play:

1. The visiting team will have 15 minutes of infield practice at 30 minutes prior to the scheduled game time. The home team will have the last 15 minutes prior to the scheduled game time for their infield practice. The opposite team will utilize the outfield for practice/warm-up.
2. All Scheduled Game Times will start at 6:30PM unless explicitly noted in the schedules. There will be no new inning started after 1:45 Minutes from the noted start time of the game.
3. A new inning will start once whichever happens first in order to keep play moving between innings:
 - a. The pitcher has had 5 warm-up pitches.
 - b. The infield has completed one rotation of warm-up throws to 1st base.

Pitching:

1. A Player Pitcher will only pitch during the 3rd and 4th inning. Inning 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 6th are Coach Pitch.
2. If a Coach Pitcher pitch count reaches the max limit of balls thrown (5 during Player Pitch and 7 during Coach Pitch). Any amount of foul ball(s) hit will allow the batter to receive additional pitches beyond the noted max amount.
3. During All innings, there will be 3 Strikes to determine a strike-out.
4. There will be no pitching circle. When a Player is pitching, they should pitch from the designated pitching rubber. A Player Pitcher must stay within a close reasonable distance from the Coach Pitcher. The Coach should help make sure the Player Pitcher knows where their position is. The Coach Pitcher should also pitch on or close to the pitching rubber.

Batting/Base Running:

1. There are no halfway lines between bases. All over-thrown balls are in play. In Play is decided by field ground rules. Runners may advance at their own risk. If a defensive throw is attempted on any runner, the ball is ruled dead after the first throw, and no runners may advance any further than one base regardless of where the ball is thrown or any continuation throws. Those runners may still be thrown out and cannot advance any further.
 - a. Example A: A ball at first base is overthrown. The runner can advance to second base at his own risk. REGARDLESS of how many defensive throws are made the runner must stay at second base.
 - b. Example B: If a runner is on first when the ball is hit and an errant throw is made to either first or second base, the lead baserunner may advance to 3rd base only. They do not get home.