



DOROTHY DUPONT TOURNAMENT RULES
Murphy Canyon Little League
March 14th - 17th 2019

1. Regular Season Teams Only.
2. All pitching rules will be followed. A pitcher may only pitch in one game on a given day. If a pitcher throws forty-one pitches he may not play the position of catcher the rest of that day and is not covered under the threshold exception. Since these are special games the pitcher must meet the days of rest prior to pitching in the tournament. (Review Regulation VI for full details) Uncaught third strike rule will be enforced.

Note: Under no circumstances shall a pitcher pitch on three (3) consecutive days.
3. Consecutive batting order will be used for the whole tournament. Free substitutions will be allowed but all players must play two consecutive innings on defense.
4. The Dupont Tournament will follow all rules stated in the current Little League Rule Book under rule 6.02 – The Batter - (c); relating to batters maintaining at least one foot in the batter's box at all times.
5. Home and away teams will be determined by a coin flip 45 minutes before the game conducted by the Tournament Director. Home team will occupy the first base dugout and visitors will occupy the third base dugout.
6. Home team will provide the official score keeper. Away team will provide the official pitch counter. Home team will provide the announcer if there is no volunteer to do it.
7. Each game will have a 2 hour drop dead stop time. No new inning will begin after 1:45 from the start of the game. Start of the game is defined as the time of the 1st pitch. Mercy Rule will apply in all games.
8. Both teams are responsible for grooming and preparing the field for play, as well as grooming and breaking down the field after the game. Home team to lead in set up and visitors to lead in break down.
9. Sunflower seeds will not be permitted.
10. All managers must have in their possession a signed medical release for each player on the team roster. Umpires will be checking for medical releases.

11. Each team is to supply 3-4 baseballs for each game. It is advisable that each team have a supply of balls in case they are needed. Balls might be provided but bring balls just in case.
12. Régulation XIV- Field Decorum: The actions of players, managers, coaches, umpires and league officials must be above reproach. Any player, manager, coach, umpire or league representative who is involved in a verbal or physical altercation, or an incident of unsportsmanlike conduct, at the game site or any other Little League activity, is subject to disciplinary action by the Local League Board of Directors and/or by the District.
 - a. Anyone who has disciplinary action pending will not be allowed to play in any game until such disciplinary action is resolved.
 - b. Any player, manager or coach ejected from a game will be suspended for the next game. The District may dictate further suspension.
 - c. Players, coaches or whole teams will be sent home if the rules are not followed.
13. **Protesting Game:** Any protest must be made prior to the next pitch or play. The protest committee will consist of the three of the following in this order if present DA, ADA, Tournament Director and two umpires not involved in the game.
14. **Mercy rule:** If after three (3) innings or two and one-half innings if the home team is ahead, one team has a lead of fifteen (15) runs or more, the manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent. If after four (4) innings or three and one-half innings if the home team is ahead, one team has a lead of ten (10) runs or more, the manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent. **NOTE:** (1) If the visiting team has a lead of fifteen (15) or ten (10) runs or more respectively, the home team must bat in its half of the inning. Mercy Rule will apply in all games.
15. **TIE GAME:** When the completion of six innings and the score is tied, the following tie-breaker will be played to determine a winning team:
 - a. Starting in the top of the seventh inning, and each half inning thereafter, the offensive team shall begin its turn at bat with the player who is scheduled to bat last in that respective half inning being placed on second base. **EXAMPLE:** If the number five batter is the lead-off batter, the number four batter in the batting order will be placed on second base. An eligible substitute or special pinch runner may be inserted for the runner.

This will continue until either team scores more than their opponent, the tie is broken and the game is complete. The Championship game will be played to conclusion and a tie breaker will not be used.

Concussion Protocol—

1. (a) California law requires that all coaches and administrators must complete an online concussion training *at least once* before supervising youth athletes; a certificate from a prior season is valid for this season. It takes only about 30 minutes to complete the training. Please save and carry the certificates for all of your coaches in your binder.

The online Concussion Protocol Training is at:
<https://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/> .

2. (b) A concussion and head injury information sheet must be signed by both the athlete and a parent/guardian before the athlete initiates practice or competition. An existing form from this spring may be used if it's available. The signed sheet must be carried with the player's medical release and code of conduct form.

The certificate of completion of the concussion protocol course must be presented for each adult that will be in the dugout.

16. Schedule is subject to change so be at the field one hour before game time.
17. There is a \$50 per team entry fee payable to Murphy Canyon.
18. Umpires will be provided by teams. Home plate umpire by home team and base umpire by visitors. Umpires should bring their plate gear since position will not be determined until after coin flip.