 

**Coach and Umpire Guidance and Local Rules for 2018 Combined Season between Eastlake Little League (ELL) and Sammamish Little League (SLL) - AAA**

*Note: 2018 Little League Rule Book rules prevails unless the rule is specifically called out below.*

**Common (ELL and SLL agreed upon) Local Rules:**

Minimum Play Rule (MPR) - Can't sit more than 2 innings in a 6-inning game. Play 2 innings in the Infield before end of 5th. Failure to follow MPR will result in a 7-0 loss for team failing to meet policy.

4 run maximum cap per inning. No Mercy Rule.

Teams to play with 4 outfielders (RF, LC, RC & LF). 10 players on defense to keep more kids engaged

Games can end in a tie and will not be made up at a later date

Stealing bases only allowed if the ball gets behind the catcher. Can only advance 1 base on steal. No Stealing Home Base. Can advance home on an overthrow/pickoff at 3rd base but not on an overthrow to a Steal from 2nd to 3rd.

No Bunting

Batter cannot run on a dropped 3rd strike

No Infield Fly rule

Umpires provided by ELL when on ELL fields. Umpires provided by SLL when on SLL fields.

Home team (per schedule) to occupy 3rd base dugout.

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Field Preparation is determined by who controls the field rather than Home vs. Away. SLL to prep on SLL fields, ELL to prep fields on ELL fields. Both sides encouraged to help to speed things along.

**When playing on an ELL Field:**

**Time Limit** - 2:30 hours. No new inning after 2 hours. 2:30 is a hard stop.

**Warm ups before games -** SLL team has infield 25 minutes before game for 10 minute duration, ELL team has infield 15 min prior to game for 10 minute duration

**Rain outs –** when playing on a City Field, city will determine rain outs. When playing on non-City controlled field ELL coach will decide on rain out based on field condition and forecast. Communicate to SLL coach ASAP to allow for communication with parents.

**When playing on a SLL Field:**

**Time Limit -** Weekdays - 2 hours, Weekend 1:45. Any inning started within time limit will be finished. No rule on extending game due to a tie or not reaching 4th inning.

**Warm ups before games -** No infield practice before games. Use outfield and area along 1st and 3rd base foul line

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**Common AAA Green Book rules called out for reference:**

Catcher-Pitcher Rules – Regulation VI Pitchers, Pages 44-46

Pitch Count and Days of Rest – Regulation VI Pitchers, Pages 44-46

Intentional Walk – rarely occurs in the regular season and highly discouraged but a team can put a batter on base without throwing a pitch by letting the home plate umpire know they are putting the batter on.

One Foot in the Box – No penalty for this last year but we did remind hitters to keep one foot in the box between pitches when the ball is in play.

**SLL AAA Coaching Contact Information:**



**ELL AAA Coaching Contact Information:**

