## \*\*\* 2017 CT American Legion Baseball Rules \*\*\*

(Rules as of Apr. 15, 2017)

American Legion Baseball shall be played in accordance with rules adopted by the National Baseball Committee and Americanism Commission and Major League Baseball.

Changes to the Official MLB Rules are noted in Rule 1 of the American Legion Baseball rules. These rules generally pertain to matters of safety, equipment and insurance and are made with the welfare of the players in mind.

These rules may be further modified by the Connecticut Department (may be more restrictive) generally for regular season play only and cannot conflict with certain national rules. All national tournaments will follow rules established by The American Legion's National Americanism Commission.

All teams shall follow these rules with a few exceptions.

- 19 & Under American Legion Baseball Program (or Senior American Legion Baseball)
- 17 & Under American Legion Baseball Program (or Junior American Legion Baseball)
- 15 & Under American Legion Baseball Program (or Prep American Legion Baseball)

New rule changes for the **2017** season are **highlighted**.

## **PLAYING REGULATIONS - RULE 1**

- A. Baseballs All teams in Connecticut must use the Rawlings CT AL Baseball.
- B. Bat Rule. For the 2017 season, regular wood and wood composite bats with BBCOR authentication will be allowed. BBCOR designation must be permanently embossed, printed or otherwise affixed to the bat by the manufacturer and must be visible to the umpire. Stickers are not permitted. If a player uses an illegal bat, both the player and his head coach will be ejected. Further discipline, if any, will be determined by the State Director or his designee.
- C. The Batter see National Rule
- D. Blood Rule see National Rule
- E. Catcher's Equipment see National Rule
- F. Coaches. Only those coaches listed on the team's National Registration Form #1 are permitted on the playing field. No team can play a game without one of these approved coaches present on the field or in the dugout.
- G. Courtesy Runners see National Rule
- H. Collisions see National Rule
- Designated Hitter (DH) Rule For the 19U Division, Connecticut follows the National Rule, a
  player can only DH for the pitcher. For the 17U & 15U Division, a player can DH for any
  defensive player per the allowed national option.
- J. Force-Play-Slide Rule. see National Rule

- K. First Aid Kit Rule. see National Rule
- L. Games In addition to the National Rule:
  - 1. No team shall be required to play more than two games in one day.
  - 2. Games will only be played on July 4<sup>th</sup> if both teams agree.
  - 3. In light of the new pitch count rules, it is recommended that zones try to avoid scheduling games on consecutive days as much as possible
  - 4. No make-up games can be rescheduled as a doubleheader during the last weekend of the season unless postponed during the last week.
  - 5. If a team plays in a tournament (or goes away on a trip) all missed games must be made up by five days after conclusion of the tournament or trip. Their zone schedule must reflect the rescheduling of these games.
  - 6. The Baseball Committee must approve participation in tournaments during zone play. Additional practice games are encouraged. No team may reschedule a zone game (once the final zone schedule is provided to the State Director or once the season starts, whichever happens first) for any reason without the approval of the State Director or his designee.
  - 7. Forfeitures In case a visiting team fails to arrive within the designated time, the team on the field will win by forfeit after waiting fifteen (15) minutes beyond the time the game is scheduled to start. An appeal may be made to the zone chairman in the case of unforeseen circumstances such as an accident in route to the game. The home team must be ready to play at the scheduled game time without exception (no grace period). In the event of a double header and the traveling team forfeits the first game, the scheduled time for the next game will be 15 minutes after the completion of the first game. Example: A team is traveling for a double header for a 1pm game and does not have enough players to start the game. The game is officially over after the 15 minute grace period at 1:15pm. The next game now starts at 1:30pm and would be subject to a forfeit at 1:45PM). The home team again has no grace period and would forfeit the 2nd game at 1:15PM. In all forfeit situations, the umpire shall place the eligible team on the field, have the pitcher throw one pitch and then officially declare that team the winner. Any team that forfeits a game for not having 9 players eligible to start the game will be required to pay a \$100 "fine" to the opposing team. This fine is in addition to the home team's responsibility to pay for the umpires.

If a team forfeits games on two separate days because of its inability to field nine eligible players at the start of a game the team will be disqualified and ineligible to participate in any further American Legion games that season. With this season ending situation all games played will stand and all subsequent games will result in losses and potential further discipline from the State Baseball Committee.

The State Committee is especially concerned that teams may use players known to be ineligible in order to avoid forfeitures of games due to lack of players. Because of ethical and liability issues, this behavior will lead to severe penalties – up to and including the removal of responsible coaches and/or entire teams.

If a disqualified team wants to return to American Legion play the next season it must pay a \$500 non-refundable penalty fee plus the regular registration fee. This fee must be paid at the State Meeting which they attend and are reinstated. Please note that this \$500 penalty is intended for teams requesting to return that have not substantially changed their leadership. The State Committee retains the right to waive this penalty if they decide that a substantially new leadership should not be responsible for mistakes made by the people previously in charge.

The zone chairman shall immediately notify the state director with the names of teams that forfeit games during the season.

When it is necessary to change a field for a scheduled game, the visiting team manager shall be notified forty-eight (48 hours) before game time

F. If the game must be postponed for weather related issues, or some other reason approved by the State Director or his designee, it shall be played depending upon field availability by one of the 2 teams on the next mutually open date (previous commitments to tournaments, trips, & reasonable end of the year school related functions are okay but non-zone games must be cancelled). No team will be required to have games scheduled on more than 5 days in a row (only 4 days in a row for 17 & Under Division and 3 days in a row for 15 & Under Division) or be scheduled to play more than 1 doubleheader in that time period. Teams may need to give up their home game to comply with this rule. Teams that do give up home games may switch a later away game to their home field. Games not made up on the next open date, as described above, will result in the game counting as a loss for both teams. The zone chairman should be consulted by the home team manager for approval of the schedule change.

Please note that, unless otherwise noted by the State Director, teams do not have to cancel non-zone games played prior to July 1<sup>st</sup> in order to be in compliance with this make-up policy.

- **G.** If a team drops out after April 15<sup>th</sup> but prior to the start of the season, they will be required to pay a \$250 non-refundable penalty fee. This fee must be paid at the State Meeting which they attend and are reinstated. As with the \$500 forfeit penalty, this penalty can be waived by the State Committee if the team's leadership substantially changes.
- M. Helmets. same as National Rule
- N. Insurance Rule. In addition to the National Rule:

All American Legion Baseball teams must purchase insurance from The American Legion's agent of record (S.A. Van Dyk, Inc.). Coverage must be purchased when registering through the National Online Registration Process prior to the team's first tryout, game, team activity, or February 15<sup>th</sup> – whichever comes first. Violation of this rule may result in the disqualification from any further competition.

Each coach, general manager, and other required volunteer must pay for and provide all requested information, so that a yearly background check, conducted by the nationally selected company, can be completed on them <u>prior to having any team related contact with any players</u>. Anyone failing this review will not be allowed to be part of any American Legion Baseball Program – absolutely no involvement. No new coaches can be added or background checks requested after June 1<sup>st</sup> without the specific approval of the State Director or his designee.

- O. Lightning Safety same as National Rule
- P. National Senior Tournament Rules same as National Rule

Q. On Deck Equipment. - same as National Rule.

#### R. Pitching Rule:

Note: Sections highlighted in blue are the new National Pitching rule

Sections highlighted in yellow are the Connecticut modifications to the rule as approved by the baseball committee

U-19: No player may pitch more than a total of 105 pitches per day. A pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter if he reaches or exceeds the maximum limit during an at-bat, but must exit the position after the hitter. No player may enter the game as a pitcher unless having fulfilled the required rest days as mandated in the chart below. No player may make more than three appearances as a pitcher in any consecutive three-day period. PENALTY: The pitcher and team manager shall be ejected from the game and the game shall be forfeited if a protest is filed with the umpire-in-chief before the last out of the game.

U17: No player may pitch more than a total of 95 pitches per day. A pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter if he reaches or exceeds the maximum limit during an at-bat, but must exit the position after the hitter. No player may enter the game as a pitcher unless having fulfilled the required rest days as mandated in the chart below. No player may make more than three appearances as a pitcher in any consecutive three-day period. PENALTY: The pitcher and team manager shall be ejected from the game and the game shall be forfeited if a protest is filed with the umpire-in-chief before the last out of the game.

U15: No player may pitch more than a total of 90 pitches per day. A pitcher will be allowed to finish a batter if he reaches or exceeds the maximum limit during an at-bat, but must exit the position after the hitter. No player may enter the game as a pitcher unless having fulfilled the required rest days as mandated in the chart below. No player may make more than three appearances as a pitcher in any consecutive three-day period. PENALTY: The pitcher and team manager shall be ejected from the game and the game shall be forfeited if a protest is filed with the umpire-in-chief before the last out of the game.

The chart below outlines required days of rest and applies to all games played by a team during the season including non-zone and non Legion games.

Age	Daily Max (pitches in game)	Required days of rest (pitches)							
		0 days	1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days			
U-19	<mark>105</mark>	1-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76+			
U-17	<mark>95</mark>	1-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76+			
U-15	90	1-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76+			

Note: A pitcher will be allowed to finish the batter if he reaches a threshold during an at-bat. If he is removed as a pitcher at the conclusion of the at-bat his pitch count will revert to the threshold reached during the at-bat.

In addition to the National Rule, in order to enforce pitch count rules:

A. Each team will keep a record of pitches for both teams during the game and teams will compare counts and resolve discrepancies at the end of each inning. If teams cannot resolve their differences the home team book shall prevail per the rules of baseball. Each team will be required to complete the pitch count record chart (See Appendix A.) and enter accurate data into the state website within 24 hours of the conclusion of each game

B. Teams will be required to carry their pitch count record chart with them to each game and be prepared to present this document to the opposing team on demand prior to the start of each game.

Failure to comply with requirements in paragraphs A & B above will invoke the following penalties:

1<sup>st</sup> Offense: Warning to the head coach and manager

2<sup>nd</sup> Offense: 1 game suspension of the head coach

3<sup>rd</sup> Offense: 2 game suspension of head coach

Additional offense: Disciplinary hearing and possible removal of the head coach and manager

All teams should do everything in their power to prevent a situation where a pitcher exceeds his pitch count limit. Teams are expected to notify the plate umpire immediately if they become aware that an opposing pitcher is about to exceed his pitch count limit.

#### Point of Emphasis

American Legion Baseball adopts the philosophy and principles of the MLB/USA Baseball Pitch Smart initiative of practical, age-appropriate guidelines to educate parents, players and coaches to avoid overuse injuries and foster long, healthy careers for youth pitchers. Learn more online at pitchsmart.org.

The following are recommendations and suggested guidelines:

- Consideration should be given not exceed 100 combined innings pitched in any 12-month period.
- Take at least four months off from competitive pitching every year, including at least two to three continuous months off from all overhead throwing.
- Coaches should consider the age of the pitcher and the recommended guidelines for that age group (i.e. a 16-year-old pitcher on a senior team should be limited to 95 max pitches, although 105 pitches is allowed).
- Once a pitcher is removed, consideration should be given to what
  position he is assigned once he is done pitching, as well as the throwing
  requirement of the fielding position once the pitcher vacates the mound.
- Make sure to properly warm up before pitching.
- Avoid playing for multiple teams at the same time.
- Avoid playing catcher while not pitching.
- Avoid pitching in multiple games on the same day.
- Make sure to follow guidelines across leagues, tournaments and showcases
- Monitor for other signs of fatigue
- S. Re-Entry Rule In addition to National Rule:
  - 1. While re-entry is not allowed for the 19U Division, re-entry for starters will be allowed for both the 17U & 15U Divisions in both the regular season and state tournaments as per National rules.
- T. Tobacco/Alcohol Rule In addition to National Rule:

- No tobacco is to be used in any form by players, managers, coaches and or umpires on the
  playing field. Failure to comply with this rule shall be suspension for that game plus the next 2
  games (minor infraction). For this rule, the dugouts, batting cages, seating areas, refreshment
  stands, and other similar locations are considered part of the playing field.
- 2. No alcoholic beverages are to be sold or consumed at any ballpark during American Legion baseball games, and further, any agreement for the use of any facility for Department American Legion baseball must contain a "No Alcohol" beverage clause. Any player, coach, or team-affiliated member found drinking alcoholic beverages at the ballpark before, during or after a legion baseball game would be suspended for a minimum of 4 games (major infraction). Any additional penalty will be determined by the State Director or his designee. No advertisements for alcoholic beverages should appear on any uniform. In cases where a ballpark is used by more than just the American Legion team, these rules shall only apply to American Legion events (Legion teams should not be discouraged from attempting to gain use of minor league and major league facilities where possible this rule is not intended to preclude such usage of facilities that sell alcohol at professional games).

#### U. Ten (10)-Run Rule. In addition to the National Rule:

1. All American Legion Regular Season and Tournament games shall use a 10-run rule after five innings for a 7 inning game and seven innings after a 9 inning game respectively, unless the home team is ahead by 10 runs or more after 4 ½ and 6 1/2 innings at which time that game will be halted.

Clarification – if the visiting team leads by 10 or more runs after 6 % innings in a 19U Game or 4 % innings in both 17U and 15U games, the home team must complete its turn at bat before the game can be ended by this rule.

#### V. Uniforms. - see National Rule

#### Additional Rules

- A. Suspended Games In addition to the National Rule, regular season games will follow Pro Rules 4.12, with the following exception: all non-regulation games will be picked up from the point of stoppage. The following examples should clarify this rule:
  - 1. any game cancelled prior to becoming a regulation game in the 5<sup>th</sup> inning, will now be continued from the point it is stopped
  - 2. once a game is a regulation game (home team winning after the visiting team has hit in the top of the 5<sup>th</sup> inning or either team winning after the home team has hit in the bottom of the 5<sup>th</sup> inning), and weather or other conditions force the game to be stopped, it is over unless the visiting team ties or takes the lead in a subsequent inning and the home team doesn't have a chance to bat. In that case, it is a suspended game and must be continued from that point at a later time.
- B. Lineups In addition to the National Rule, teams should list all eligible starters and substitutes on their lineup card prior to the start of the game. Players omitted from the lineup card who are listed on the official team roster National Form 1 or State Team Pre-Roster that have eligibility can participate in the game without penalty to the team. Teams should also note on the lineup card any pitchers who are ineligible to pitch in that game due to the days of rest rule.
- C. Umpires In addition to the National Rule, all umpires are required to be members in good standing of the Connecticut State Board of Approved Baseball Umpires. This rule covers all regular season zone and non-zone games, regular season tournaments, and state and national tournament games played on our fields where the selection of umpires is under our teams or State Committee control, and all games played throughout the year (i.e. spring and fall).

D. Championship and Tiebreaker Formats – In additional to National Rules, a zone champion and final order of finish will be determined from regular season results – first by head to head record and second by "CIAC like" # that will be assigned to each team for the 2017 season using a random number generator (See APPENDIX C). All zone positions must be determined by results of regular season games, for the 19 & Under American Legion zones by Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, the 17 & Under Legion games by Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, and the 15 & Under Legion games by Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. Please note that to count in the standings, all 19 & Under games on the last day of the season must be completed by 8:30PM and game results must be reported to both the Zone Chairman and the State Director immediately after the game. 19 & Under Sectional Tournament will start on Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. The 17 & Under Modified Double Elimination Sectional Tournament will start on Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> and the 15 & Under Sectional Tournaments will start on Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> respectively.

## **PLAYER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS - RULE 2**

In Connecticut, athletes playing high school baseball can't participate in any legion practices, tryouts or games from the time they play their first high school CIAC league game (April 1st for 2017) until they are personally eliminated from the High School State Tournament.

**A.** Player age – In addition to National Rule:

19 & Under Legion Baseball Players Age. 19 & Under American Legion Baseball competition in **2017** is open only to players born on or after January 1, **1998**.

Clarification for 19 & Under Legion Baseball

Any player born in **1997** is not eligible to play American Legion Baseball.

17 & Under Legion Baseball Players Age: 17 & Under American Legion Baseball competition in **2017** is open only to players born on or after January 1, **2000**.

Clarification for 17 & Under Legion Baseball

Any player born in **1999** is not eligible to play 17.

Any player born in 1999 is not eligible to play 17 & Under American Legion Baseball.

15 & Under Legion Baseball Players Age. 15 & Under American Legion Baseball competition in **2017** is open only players born on or after January 1, **2002**.

Clarification for 15 & Under Legion Baseball

Any player born in 2001 is not eligible to play 15 & Under American Legion Baseball.

Since information on all players must be registered over the internet, as a result of Federal Laws pertaining to sharing information about young children over the internet, any player born in **2005** or after is not eligible to play American Legion Baseball in **2017**.

- B. Player's Domicile same as National Rule
- C. Professional Baseball Contract same as National Rule
- D. Amateur Rule same as National Rule
- E. Proof of Age In addition to the National Rule. If a player provided additional proof of his identification to the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles and received a driver's license that meets the requirements under the Federal Real ID Law (their license will have a gold star in the upper right hand corner, while everyone else's will be stamped "Not for Federal Identification), their license can be used as proof of age. The General Manager can provide a copy of this enhanced license to the Zone Chairman with all other documents instead of their birth

certificate. If the team makes the final 8 of the CT Department Super Regional State Tournament (as well as the national tournament), the player will have to present his original enhanced license for review by the state representative to play in the tournament.

## **PLAYER RECRUITING PLAN "A" - RULE 3**

Connecticut has chosen to use Player Recruiting Plan A. A player can only be waived to another adjacent team if the combined counted enrollment (high school 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> graders, both boys and girls) of the schools located in both their territories are below 5,000.

- A. Zoning same as National Rule
- B. Player Recruiting In addition to the National Rule, the Connecticut Baseball Committee has adopted the following modifications:
  - 1.It is the policy of the Connecticut American Legion Baseball Program that waivers only be granted to eligible players who tryout and/or make themselves fully available to the team and are not selected for a particular team subject to the following clarifications:
  - a) A legion player must first tryout and make himself fully available for the team whose territory is closest to his parent's or court ordered legal guardian's home. If he is not selected for that first team, he can ask to be considered for the next nearest team to that home. This team may or may not require him to physically tryout. If not selected by this 2<sup>nd</sup> team, he would have the option to ask to play for the next nearest team. Again they may or may not require him to tryout. If he is not selected by this third team, then he will not be able to play American Legion Baseball for that season. This will be calculated by MapQuest Program (using shortest driving distance), as mandated by the National Rule 4 subject to National Rules for waivers including the 5,000 maximum student count for the two affected teams. Please note that teams can take waived players from more than one other team in the same season, if the total applicable student population from all high schools located in those territories are below the 5,000 national maximum.
  - b) For Connecticut, we will compare the parent's address to the local town hall address for the town the team is named after (Bristol, Middletown, Torrington, etc...) if the team is not named after just one town (Tri-Town, RCP, etc...), you will use the town hall address for the town where the team played a majority of its home games during the 2008 season. These addresses are included on our state website (see link at "State Territory") and will be permanent unless changed by a majority vote of the State Baseball Committee.
    - All waiver requests will go directly to and must be approved by a specific person designated by the State Director (for the 2017 season this is Chuck Berry). Please note that no waiver requests will be considered if given to Mr. Berry for the first time after June 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - c) The player, the <u>general manager</u> of new 19U legion team, and the <u>general manager</u> of all 19U team(s) that are waiving him must sign the waiver (National Form 76).
  - d) All waivers are just good for one year. All players waived must try out for their hometown team again the following year. College students (non-high school students) can't be waived.

Players who graduated high school <u>in 2016</u> shall play for the last American Legion team with which they played. Those players who graduated <u>in 2016</u> shall not be eligible to be transferred (Forms 76 and 77). Players who graduated in 2016 but did not play American Legion Baseball <u>in 2016</u> are not eligible unless their name appeared on a previously approved (during last 4 years) **17U or 19U** national team roster.

Note: While commonly called the "college rule", this rule applies to all players who graduated high school in 2016 whether they are currently attending college, pursuing a post graduate secondary year or in the work force.

- e) The manager or coach must waive any player born in <u>1998</u> or <u>1999</u> that is not selected for their team and meets the criteria listed above. In situations not covered by the above rules contact the Assistant State Director for clarification and direction.
- f) New Programs Players, not in their final year of eligibility previously rostered on a Legion team, who have been designated to a new team because of plan realignment, have a one time option to either participate with the new team or remain on the old team. The zone chairman shall notify affected players that they have this option. The player is required to send a written declaration to the Assistant State Director prior to the start of the season. This option decision will be in force for the player's remaining years of eligibility. If these players are subsequently waived they would return to the team originally chose at the end of each season.

## **PLAYER RECRUITING PLAN "B" - RULE 4**

Not applicable for CT American Legion Program

## **PROTESTS - RULE 5**

- A. Protest Procedures see National Rule
- B. Written Proof see National Rule
- C. Forfeitures see National Rule
- D. Game Protest see National Rule
- E. Appeals to National Headquarters see National Rule

In addition to the National Rule, in case of a protest, the zone chairman should be notified immediately, followed by a written report delivered to the Zone Chairman within forty-eight hours of the end of the game being protested. A copy of this report shall be sent to the state director. Protests shall be delivered by hand, fax, e-mail, or certified mail. All protests must be accompanied by a certified check (delivered by hand to the zone chairman regardless of how the written report is submitted) in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100) made payable to the Baseball Committee. If a protest is upheld the zone chairman will return the check to the protester. If a protest is denied, the zone chairman will deliver the check to the State Committee Treasurer. The State Director or his designee, in conjunction with the zone chairman shall decide all protests. When made aware of player eligibility infractions, protests regarding such issues need to be made within a reasonable time. All regular season protests must be made and decided prior to the official start of the State Tournament.

All protests will include: 1) Written report; 2) Names and addresses of both (all) umpires; 3) The umpires' written report; & 4) a \$100 check.

Decisions regarding all protests will be summarized in a written report and given to the protesting team manager, the other affected team(s) and the Zone Chairman and State Director, if applicable.

## **TEAM AND PLAYER CERTIFICATION - RULE 6**

A. Player and Team Registration – see National Rule

#### In order to register a U-17 or U-15 program a team must first register a U-19 program

- B. National Online Registration see National Rule
- C. National Form #2 see National Rule
- D. Dual Participation See National Rule

In addition to the National Rule, for Regular Season Games, beginning after they have attended their first zone game, but not later than June 25, 2017, players will be ineligible to play in further regular season zone and non-zone games and the state tournament (all divisions), and must be immediately removed from their roster, if they miss more than 20% of their team's scheduled zone games for any of the reasons listed in the national rule – including playing baseball for another team, going to a baseball showcase, etc... Teams will be required to keep track of this in their own manner and sign a statement prior to the beginning of the State Tournament attesting to the eligibility of their players to participate. This certification will be subject to protest by the other State Tournament teams. Nothing in this rule is intended to make someone ineligible for, among other things, missing games due to injury, illness, work, vacation, or playing another sport.

PLEASE NOTE THAT PER NATIONAL RULES, ONCE OUR STATE TOURNAMENT HAS STARTED (WHICH INCLUDES ANY GAME AFTER THE REGULAR SEASON ENDS – I.E. OUR CURRENT STATE SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT), ANY PLAYER THAT PARTICIPATES IN ANY NON-APPROVED (PER NATIONAL RULES) BASEBALL ACTIVITY (FOR EXAMPLE PLAYING BASEBALL FOR ANOTHER TEAM, GOING TO A BASEBALL SHOWCASE, ETC...) WILL BE INELIGIBLE TO PLAY AGAIN FOR THE REST OF THE STATE, REGIONAL AND WORLD SERIES GAMES.

CLARIFICATION: A player attending a college orientation workout may be granted an exception on a case-by-case basis. However a player may not miss any game of a state or national tournament. Prior written approval from the department chairman or his designee is required.

E. Players Per Team – see National Rule

Double Rostering with another American Legion Team in the same program – In addition to the National Rule:

- 1. For the regular season, teams may double-roster as many age eligible players as they wish with another team within their Legion program but they still must be in compliance with roster maximum limits at each level. Players will be able to participate in two levels of the regular season and tournament subject to the following:
- A position player that plays in more than 50% of their 19 & Under zone games or pitcher who
  pitches more than 20 innings in 19 & Under zone games, will not be eligible to play in the 17
  & Under or 15 & Under State Tournament.
- 3. There will not be any similar restriction on playing time for a 17 & Under or 15 & Under player to play in the 19 & Under Tournament. If at any time during the regular season a double rostered player becomes ineligible for the 17 & Under or 15 & Under Tournaments (i.e. a

- pitcher who pitches more than 20 innings in 19 & Under zone games or a player who plays in more than 50% of their 19 & Under zone games), they would also immediately be ineligible to play (play in the field, pitch, bat, pinch run, etc...) in any more regular season 17 & Under or 15 & Under games.
- 4. Teams will be required to keep track of this in their own manner and sign a statement prior to the beginning of the State Tournament attesting to which of their double rostered players will be eligible to participate. This certification will be subject to protest by the other State Tournament teams.
- 5. In addition, if a player starts in more than one 19 & Under State Tournament Game they will no longer be eligible to play in either the rest of the 17 & Under or 15 & Under regular season or State Tournaments.
- 6. Please note that these same rules also apply to the 15 & Under Teams (if double rostered players play too much for either the 17 & Under or 19 & Under Teams, they will be ineligible to play any more for the 15 & Under Team, and if they play in more than one 17 & Under or 19 & Under State Tournament game they will no longer be eligible to play for the 15 & Under Team.
- F. Non-American Legion Post Sponsorship In addition to the National Rule please note that:
  - 1. An outside sponsored team is one that is not affiliated with any American Legion post. If selected to participate in the program, the outside sponsored team agrees to abide by all American Legion state and national baseball rules. The outside sponsored team also agrees to assume all financial responsibilities relative to the operation of American Legion Baseball including, but not limited to uniforms, baseballs, insurance and umpires. The admission of an outside sponsored team to the state program is always subject to the approval of the State Baseball Committee.
  - 2. Should an existing outside-sponsored team wish to affiliate with an American Legion post or merge with an existing post-sponsored team, such merger or affiliation must be approved and coordinated by the State Baseball Committee. In no case will an outside-sponsored team in good standing, be required to merge or affiliate with a post-sponsored team, be replaced by a newly formed post-sponsored team, or be taken over by a post. Teams wanting to merge must adhere to the rules governing Combinations see Rule 7.
  - 3. For those teams that are post sponsored, the post is the controlling entity and is responsible for the team managers, coaches and other on-field personnel. For non-post sponsored teams, the program General Manager or controlling organization (if applicable) is responsible for the team managers, coaches and other on-field personnel. Posts are expected to not support another baseball organization in direct competition with a Connecticut American Legion Baseball Team.
- G. Required Paperwork In addition to the National Rule:
  - a. Signed Coaches Code of Ethics Form Prior to the start of the season all new field coaches and managers must read the Coaches' Code of Ethics and the National Risk Management Policy and submit a signed acknowledgement of both to their Zone Chairman. Failure to adhere to this rule may make a team ineligible to participate in American Legion baseball for that season. Signed copies must be returned to the respective Zone Chairman before their first scheduled game.
  - b. Pre-Season Rosters <u>Instead of separate</u> Pre-Season Rosters, all teams must data enter their roster information (including name, DOB, high school graduation year, parent's address including home town) onto their state provided websites prior to playing their first zone game. Zone Chairman or his designee will be required to periodically review these "Website Rosters" for compliance. Any team not complying with this rule will be disciplined as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> Violation written warning; 2<sup>nd</sup> Violation \$100 fine paid by check given to Zone

Chairman in person by the next day (forfeit game if not paid on time); 3<sup>rd</sup> & future violations – forfeit game(s). In addition, any team playing someone not listed on their Website Roster, will forfeit that game for using an ineligible player.

- c. Teams must register, using the National Website, paying all State and National Registration Fees, purchasing insurance and providing required general information by February 15<sup>th</sup>. The National Website can be reached at http://baseball.legion.org/ Any team that does not meet the February 15th deadline will be charged a minimum \$100 late penalty. This includes the completion of background checks for all coaches, general managers and other required volunteers) or prior to their first tryout or practice whichever happens first Teams must complete their Team and Coach Roster on the National Website (old Form 1) by June 25, 2017. In addition, teams must still provide copies of birth certificates, National Form 1 (2 copies), National Form 2 (2 copies), National Form 76, signed Coaches Code of Ethics Form, and new Website Roster to their zone chairman by June 23, 2017. The Roster is limited to eighteen (18) players. (For all Teams). In addition, each Zone Chairman will be required to compare these Website Rosters with the National Form 1's. Teams will be required to make any changes necessary to insure that their rosters on their State Website is 100% correct. This all must be completed before June 25, 2017.
- d. Upon submission of rosters to the zone chairmen (no later than Thursday, June <u>23, 2017</u>), each zone chairman shall inspect and validate the submitted rosters from his zone. Teams failing to submit their rosters by June <u>23, 2017</u> will be declared ineligible for state competition, in which case they would forfeit all their remaining zone games.

Important information to be included in submitted papers: home address of player's parents (Forms #1 and #2); and players' signatures in proper place (Form #2). Player signatures on Form #2 must be the same name as on the birth certificate including full-signed middle name. Parent or guardian to sign the Emergency Information Form 2.

NOTE: It is strongly recommended that the player name on the national roster (Form #1) should match their full legal name as it appears on their drivers license or other form of identification.

### SPORTSMANSHIP & CONDUCT - RULE 7

- A. Conduct see National Rule
  - 1. The Fall 2016 Meeting of the American Legion passed Resolution 16 which states: The organization's policy is regardless of the activity anyone not showing proper respect during the anthem will be removed from the activity.
  - 2. In light of this resolution Connecticut has adopted the following regulation:

Any player, coach or manager who refuses to stand at attention or who otherwise disrespects the flag during the playing of the National Anthem shall be disqualified from participation in that game. Such disqualification will be considered a MAJOR INFRACTION."

- B. Heckling see National Rule
- C. Sportsmanship see National Rule

Disciplinary Policy - In addition to the National Rule

CT American Legion Program has adopted the following Disciplinary Action Policy. The provisions of this policy shall be in effect from one hour prior to the scheduled start of the game, throughout the game, and one hour after the completion, suspension or termination of the game.

Only the head coach (or his assistant, designated before the game with the right to replace him), will be allowed to leave his normal position to argue any calls or decisions made by the umpires. Penalty is the offending coach or team official will be ejected from the game and will be subject to the further penalties listed below. Umpires may, at their discretion, warn the coach for their first offense, especially early in the season. Please note that no coach is allowed to argue balls and strikes. The penalty would be restriction or ejection to the dugout at the sole discretion of the umpires.

- 1. MAJOR INFRACTION shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Non-consensual or reckless physical contact or attempting to make physical contact or any threat of physical intimidation or harm to include pushing, shoving, bumping, kicking, intentionally spitting, throwing at or attempting to make physical contact with an umpire or opposing player or fan.
  - b. Spitting, throwing or kicking anything at an umpire or any game participant.
  - c. Participating in a physical altercation.
  - d. Conduct otherwise considered a minor infraction that, by its nature, is judged to have included intent to incite a major infraction. This rule is designed to prevent "baiting".
- 2. MINOR INFRACTION shall include but not be limited to:
  - a. Undue use of profanity towards any game participant
  - b. Verbal abuse of umpires or any game participant or intentionally throwing equipment
  - c. Malicious contact (as defined in National Rule 1.H. Point of Emphasis) will be judged case by case by the umpires as to whether a MAJOR or MINOR infraction is to be assigned.
  - d. Any coach who criticizes an umpire in a public forum (defined as comments or quotes in the media and public meetings. The individual name of an umpire does not have to be included for this penalty to be imposed).
  - e. Any other conduct deemed by the umpire to be unsportsmanlike and warranting this penalty.
- 1. Punishment Any player, coach, manager or bench personnel found guilty of a MAJOR infraction will be suspended for a minimum of four games and the suspension could be season-ending depending on the circumstance. If the person incurs a second major infraction he shall be suspended for the remainder of the season. Any player, coach, manager or bench personnel found guilty of one MINOR infraction will be suspended for a minimum of two games. The 2<sup>nd</sup> minor infraction will result in a suspension of a minimum of 3 games. If he receives a third minor infraction, he shall be suspended for the remainder of the season. A player ejected out at one level of play, can't play for any other level of play until their penalty is served at the level he was ejected without the approval of the State Director or his designee. Any player suspended for the remainder of the season at one age level is also ineligible at the other age level. Please note that only the State Director, or is designee, has the authority to impose any punishment beyond these stated penalties.

- 2. Implementation of the Suspension Any player, coach or manager thrown out of a Zone game will sit out the next Zone or Tournament games as punishment. If a player, coach or manager is thrown out of a regularly scheduled exhibition game, he will sit out the next regularly scheduled exhibition game. If the expelled player, coach or manager's team has no exhibition games left on their schedule, he will sit out the next Zone games, tourney games or first zone games of next year, whatever comes first. Coaches of both teams in the game involving the expulsion must notify the Zone Chairman immediately after the game. Suspensions for either major or minor infractions will continue into the next season if the suspensions cannot be completed during the regular season or state tournament.
- 3. For clarification, the suspended individual is not allowed to:
  - a. Communicate with any team personnel or umpires at the site of competition;
  - b. Take part in any pre-game activities at the site of competition; or
  - Be in the stadium, on the field, or within eyesight of the field once pre-game activities have started.
  - 4. Appeal Process Punishments can be appealed to the State Director, or his designee, if first supported by the appropriate Zone Chairman. Affected players and coaches must sit out their next game(s) until a final decision can be made. The State Director will make a decision working through the Zone Chairman. Any decision by the State Director, including letting the original punishment stand because the appropriate Zone Chairman did not support a further review, is final. All appeals must be made within 24-hours of the incident. No appeals will be accepted or heard after the 24-hour window.

For all appeals, the zone chairman, as well as a liaison from the umpire's board, will get proper information concerning the incident. The umpire(s) involved in the game with the incident should notify the umpire liaison immediately (no later than noon the following day) pertaining to the incident. The umpire liaison will contact the zone chairman, who, if they agree with the appeal, will forward all information to the state director who will hear and make a ruling on the appeal.

- 5. Ejection from the Ballgame Any coach, manager, or team official ejected by the umpire must leave the field and dugout area immediately and is not allowed to communicate with team members or the umpires. A player who has just been ejected must continue to be supervised by a coach. The umpire is required to inform the Head Coach of the ejection and it is then the coach's prerogative to: (a) keep him on the bench or (b) send him (under constant supervision by another coach) to another location. If the player continues to be a problem after being ejected the Head Coach will be told to either control his player(s) or forfeit the game. Whenever an ejection occurs, the umpires are required to give the Zone Chairman and State Director a completed Ejection Report, which is available on our State Baseball Website (<a href="www.ctlegionbball.com">www.ctlegionbball.com</a>), <a href="www.ctlegionbball.com">by</a> noon the following day.
- D. Reinstatement see National Rule
- E. Ejection from the Ballpark In addition to the National Rule,

Umpires may restrict the offender (player or coach) to the bench/dugout for the remainder of the game, if the umpire judges the offenders actions to be minor in nature. Players restricted to the bench/dugout shall remain in the dugout under the supervision of team coaches. Coaches restricted to the dugout/bench may only leave the dugout/bench to attend to a player who becomes ill or injured. Any restricted player or coach shall be ejected for further misconduct.

- F. Conduct In addition to the National Rule, any manager, coach, player, or team parent, team family member, or anyone else involved in an American Legion Baseball game or program, who in the opinion of the State Director or his representative, conducts himself in an unsportsmanlike manner, or in a manner that discredits the American Legion Program, may be removed from further participation by the Department Baseball Committee. The Baseball Committee's Decision will be final.
  - Please note that inappropriate comments in any social media or print/audio "outlet" will result in case specific disciplinary penalties up to and including permanent ineligibility.
- G. Repeat offenders Any team that has any combination of more than four players, coaches or team officials <u>ejected from</u> games during the same regular season may be made ineligible for participating in that season's State Tournament by the State Committee. Any team made ineligible under this rule may be given the opportunity to appeal this decision to the State Director or his designee.

## **DEPARTMENT JURISDICTION - RULE 8**

- A. Department Rules and Regulations see National Rule
- B. Department Rulings see National Rule
- C. National Player Eligibility Rule Interpretations see National Rule

In addition to the National Rule, Connecticut American Legion baseball is governed by the Connecticut American Legion Committee, and shall be comprised of:

- 1. Nine commissioners, each of whom will be accorded one vote in matters brought before the committee. Commissioners are appointed per (4), below.
- The zone and assistant zone chairmen (two per zone, as designated per (e). below) due
  to State American Legion Rules. Zone chairmen and assistant zone chairman are not
  accorded a formal vote in Committee matters, but act as important advisory members of
  the Committee.
- 3. A Webmaster and Umpire Liaison/Rules Interpreter and anyone else appointed by the State Director, who are not accorded a vote in Committee matters.
- 4. State Baseball Commissioners The American Legion State Commander will annually appoint the nine Baseball Committee Commissioners from the state at-large. The State Legion Commander will designate one of the commissioners as director. Baseball Committee Meetings will be governed by Roberts Rules of Order. A simple majority (five commissioners) are necessary to hold an official meeting.

#### 5. Zones

- a. The areas from which leagues are established will be known as zones. These zones are herewith designated subject to approval of the Department Baseball Committee.
- b. A minimum of eight (8) teams (five for 17 & Under and 15 & Under) will be required to constitute a zone at the beginning of any season, however, recommended zone size will be <u>9-10</u> teams. The State Committee may allow a zone to start the particular season with less than the required number of teams. If sufficient additional teams do not register the following year, the State Committee may need to move a team(s) from an adjacent zone. For <u>2017</u>, there will be eight zones for the 19 & Under Division. The Baseball Committee

may change the zones or transfer teams, as it deems necessary for good of the state baseball program. If in any particular year, if one of our 8 junior zones has less than the required minimum number of junior teams, than the State Committee will consider moving or combining the required number of teams from an adjacent zone for that one season, as long as this change does not put that second zone under the required number of teams. The State Committee will determine the alignment of the U-15 divisions after registrations have been completed.

- c. All team applications to participate in the American Legion baseball program, and assignment of teams to zones, are subject each year to the approval/review of the Baseball Committee. The Committee's decision in all such matters shall be final.
- d. All zone competition will be governed by National American Legion Baseball rules (http://www.baseball.legion.org/alb\_rules.htm) and by these state American Legion Baseball rules, as amended from time to time.
- e. Zone Chairmen

The state director of the Baseball Committee appoints the zone chairmen and assistant zone chairmen

Each zone chairman (and assistant zone chairman in their absence) shall be in charge of games that occur within his zone.

All zone issues will be referred to the zone chairman unless he disqualifies himself. In this event the issue will be referred to state director for a ruling or decision.

The zone chairman will notify the state director if any team fails to complete its schedule.

### **SENIOR NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS - RULE 9**

- A. National Tournament Registration see National Rule
- B. National Competition see National Rule
- C. National Tournament Supervision see National Rule
- D. National Tournament Player Eligibility Protest see National Rule
- E. National Tournament Play see National Rule
- F. Regional Tournament Host see National Rule
- G. Tournament Photographs see National Rule
- H. Department Championship Play see National Rule
- I. Artificial Noisemakers Prohibited see National Rule
- J. Suspended Games see national Rule
- K. Minimum Active Players see National Rule

## <u>NATIONAL BASEBALL APPEALS BOARD</u> -<u>RULE 10</u>

- A. National Appeals Board see National Rule
- B. Time Limit see National Rule
- C. Filing an Appeal see National Rule
- D. Final Authority see National Rule
- E. Approved Interpretations see National Rule
- F. Appeal Procedure see National Rule
- G. Connecticut Appeals Procedure:
  - 1. There is a CT Baseball Appeals Board (hereafter referred to as "the Board") composed of (1) the state baseball director, (2) the assistant state Baseball director, and (3) a third member appointed by the state baseball director. The state baseball director shall also appoint an alternate member who will only be involved if one of the three State Appeals Board members is not available or has a conflict of interest. The term of office for board members and alternate members will continue until replaced by the State Baseball Director.
  - 2. <u>Time Limit: Consistent with National Rule 10B, except substitute CT State Appeals</u>
    Board for National Americanism Division.
  - 3. Filing an Appeal. All appeals must be in writing and addressed to the current State Baseball Director (address on State Web Site). Faxes and emails are acceptable when sent by the Team GM only. State director email and fax number are on state web site.
  - 4. Final Authority. The Board shall have sole jurisdiction over any appeal filed following a decision involving CT/National American Legion Baseball rule interpretations rendered by the State Director or appointee. The decision of the Board shall be final and may be enforced by a court of law. The concurrence of a majority of the members of the CT State Appeals Board shall constitute the ruling by the Board.
  - 5. Approved Interpretations. During tournaments supervised by the CT American Legion Baseball Committee, the Board shall approve interpretations rendered by the National Americanism Division before publication of the interpretation.

## CONNECTICUT STATE TOURNAMENTS (HIGHLIGHTS) - RULE 11

#### 19 & Under Tournament:

32 teams total qualify (16 from the Northern 4 zones and another 16 from the Southern 4 zones) – top 4 from each zone regardless of record. However, please note that zones with 8 or less teams could get less than 4 teams and zones with 11 or more teams could get more than 4 teams.

For the 2017 Season the following number of 19U teams will qualify from each zone:

Northern Division – While our goal is for 16 teams to qualify for the State Tournament, if Bristol, one of the hosts of the state tournament does not finish in the top 4 in their zone, per National Rules they would be added to the tournament and automatically ranked as the 17<sup>th</sup> team. In this case they would have a Play-In Game with the 16<sup>th</sup> ranked team as necessary.

Zone 1 - 4 of their 9 teams

Zone 6 - 4 of their 10 teams

Zone 7 - 4 of their 9 teams

Zone 8 - 4 of their 9 teams

Southern Division – While our goal is for 16 teams to qualify for the State Tournament, if Middletown, one of the hosts of the State Tournament does not finish in the top 4 in their zone, per National Rules they would be added to the tournament and automatically ranked as the 17<sup>th</sup> team. In this case they would have a Play-In Game with the 16<sup>th</sup> ranked team as necessary.

Zone 2 - 4 of their 9 teams

Zone 3-4 of their 8 teams

Zone 4 - 4 of their 10 teams

Zone 5 - 4 of their 8 teams

The regular season will end on Thursday, July 13, 2017. The only games that should be played on the 14<sup>th</sup> are games that get rained out on the 13<sup>th</sup>. To count in the standings all games played on the Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> must be completed by 8:30PM unless otherwise authorized by the State Director or his designee. 24 of these teams would play in the single elimination Connecticut Post Season Department Sectional Tournament beginning on Saturday, July 15, 2017 at the higher seeded teams' fields. The 8 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams would be ranked 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, with the remaining teams ranked by winning percentage. The final team standings will not be changed so that teams in the same zone do not play each other. Similar to the CIAC, ties will be broken first by head to head and then by the higher pre-selected number (numbers that were assigned to each team by random number at the 2017 Coaches & GM's Training Session).

Teams seeded 9 through 16 will play a single elimination game at the site of the higher seed on Saturday, July 15, 2017. The winners will play the 1 through 8 seeds at the site of the higher seeded team on Sunday, July 16, 2017.

The 8 Zone Champions would play the 8 survivors in a best 2 out of 3 Connecticut Post Season Department Regional Tournament starting on **Tuesday**, **July 18th** at the Zone Champion's Field with a single game on **Tuesday** and a doubleheader if necessary on **Wednesday**.

The 4 survivors from the Northern Division would go to Bristol and the 4 from the Southern Division would go to Middletown and play a double elimination Connecticut Post Season Department Super Regional Tournament. These 4 teams would be reseeded at the beginning of this part of the tournament, which will run from Saturday, July 22nd – Wednesday, July 26th. The champion teams from both sites would play a best 2 out 3 Connecticut Department Championship in Middletown beginning on Friday, July 28, 2017.

In the case of rain or other circumstance that may prevent the tournament from being completed by the National deadline the following procedure will be implemented:

- If no games of the final three are played, the remaining team with the highest original seeding will represent Connecticut at the Regional Tournament.
- If only one game of the final best of three is able to be played, the winner of that game will represent Connecticut at the Regional Tournament.
- If two games are played and the games are split, the remaining team with the highest original seeding will represent Connecticut at the Regional Tournament.

\*\*\* Please note that all Connecticut Post Season Tournament Games\*\*\* (all games prior to the Connecticut Department Championship best 2 out of 3 series beginning on Friday, July 28th) will be 7 inning games and will follow the more restrictive Connecticut regular season pitching rules. Once the best of three Department Championship begins on July 28, games will be 9 innings and follow the National pitching rules. Any play-in games required will be played on July 14 at the 16th seed.

#### 17 & Under Tournament:

32 teams will qualify for the State Tournament. Because the number of qualifying teams will be unequal between the two divisions, two of the teams from Zone 53 in the Southern Division will need to be moved to play in the Northern Division State Tournament. This would be the 2nd and last place qualifying teams from Zone 3. If only one Zone 3 team qualifies, the qualifying Zone 5 team that is closest geographically to South Windsor would move to the north. However, the 1st place team must play in the South.

Northern Division: (16 automatic qualifiers)

Zone 17 - 6 of their 9 teams

Zone 6 - 3 of their 5 teams

Zone 8-5 of their 8 teams

(Plus 2 teams from Zone 3)

Southern Division: (16 automatic qualifiers)

Zone 2-5 of their 8 teams

Zone 53 – 7 of their 12 teams (#2 and last Zone 3 team to be placed in Northern Division)

Zone 4 - 6 of their 9 teams

The regular season will end on Saturday, July 15, 2017. The modified double elimination Sectional Tournament (8 groups of 4 teams) would begin on Monday, July 17, 2017 at the higher seeded teams' fields. In each division the 3 Zone Champions would be ranked 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, the 3 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> and the remaining teams by winning percentage. Once only 8 teams are left, the tournament will be single elimination with the 4 northern teams going to South Windsor and the 4 southern teams going to Bethel.

The Championship Game will be played in Middletown on either Saturday, <u>July 29th or Sunday</u>, <u>July 30th</u>.

#### 15 & Under Tournament:

A total of 16 teams will qualify for this tournament

**North Section** 

Zone A – 4 of their 7 teams

Zone 8 - 4 of their 7 teams

**South Section** 

Zone B - 4 of their 7 teams

Zone 4 - 4 of their 6 teams

The regular season will end on Friday, July 21, 2017. The single elimination Sectional Tournament would begin on Sunday, July 23, 2017 at the higher seeded teams' fields. The Zone Champions and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams would be ranked at the top. Games will follow on Tue. July 25 and Thur. July 27 at the higher seeded teams' fields. The Championship Game will be played in Middletown on Sunday, <u>July 30th</u>.

## **CONNECTICUT FALL BASEBALL - RULE 12**

Any Fall Baseball played using either the American Legion name or equipment (for example website) will be governed by our State Baseball Committee or its appointed representatives. All the adopted State and National Rules will be in effect with only the following major exceptions:

- 1) Rule 1 Playing Regulations Forfeits. Penalties do not apply.
- 2) Rule 1 Playing Regulations Suspended Games does not apply. All games count as long as both teams have had a chance to bat at least once.
- 3) Rule 2 Player Eligibility Requirements. Must be age eligible for 2018 summer season to play in the fall in 2017, since this season is supposed to be part of the tryout process for the following year.
- 4) Rule 6 Team and Player Certification. Dual Participation limitations do not apply.
- 5) Rule 6 Team & Player Certification Double Rostering limitation does not apply.
- 6) Rule 7 Sportsmanship & Conduct Implementation of Suspension. Any remaining penalties from the fall will not roll over to the following summer unless the State Committee decides that their nature rises to the level where an exception needs to be made.

## CONNECTICUT TERRITORIAL ASSIGNMENTS - RULE 13

Teams seeking to combine with other teams or request partial territory acquisitions must complete a written request via the forms found on the state website prior to September 1 in order for the changes to be effective the following year.

## CONNECTICUT ELITE FALL COLLEGE SHOWCASE TEAM - RULE 14

We will be sponsoring a statewide Elite Fall College Showcase Team that will play in front of college coaches against similar teams from Massachusetts, New Hampshire & Rhode Island and Junior College Teams. Please see our website for more details including Player Nomination Form, contact names and phone numbers, and general team information.

# APPENDIX A PITCH COUNT FORMS

Sample of Pitch count record chart to be carried by each team to every game. This form may be downloaded from the website.

A L Ba	aseball Pitch Coun	t Record Chart	U-19	#Pitches tl	30 -45	Days of Rest 0 1	
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	Senior	105					
	Junior	95					
	Prep	90					
Date of Game	Pitcher Name	Opponent	#Pitches Thrown	Threshold reached	Days of rest required	Eligible to pitch on	Signature of scorekeeeper /Manager

# APPENDIX B PITCH COUNT FORMS

Sample of in game pitch count log

Teams may use any method for in game pitch counts. The pitch count log below is offered as an option for teams wishing to keep a paper record.

CT American Legion Baseball – Game Pitch Count Log

Pitchers Name	Unif #	BIRTH YEAR						out the					•				eac	h h	alf-i	nniı	ng		
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## **APPENDIX C**

## **TIE BREAKING PROCEDURE**

Random Number Tie Breakers for seeding

1	Windsor Locks	10110
2	Unionville	20838
3	Danbury	25294
4	Enfield	41086
5	Glastonbury	65520
6	East Hartford	126841
7	Oakville	129769
8	Newington	144412
9	Monroe	173011
10	East Haddam	195807
11	Ridgefield	232847
12	Ellington	257770
13	Orange	266098
14	Milford	327142
15	West Hartford	342910
16	Winsted	355009
17	Niantic	357371
18	Southington	362221
19	Ansonia	375680
20	Bridgeport	376469
21	Rockville	384297
22	Fairfield	402758
23	RCP	429993
24	Windsor	433802
25	Manchester	436931
26	Plainville	463955
27	Simsbury	475215
28	Terryville	502111
29	Meriden	504082
30	Tri-County	508922
31	Willimantic	521042
32	Berlin	522308
33	Wilton	524277
34	New Britain	566178
35	Darien	577897
36	Norwalk	596213
37	New Haven	612949

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