



St. Martin
P A R I S H
G O V E R N M E N T

RECREATION
RULES

2020

BOYS
PONY



MAIN RULES

1. **NO STEEL CLEATS ALLOWED!**
2. Age as of May 1st of year of play determines league.
3. Misconduct, unsportsmanlike behavior, or harassment will not be tolerated within the recreational program.
4. Any violation of the code above by a coach, player, parent, spectator or Umpire may result in a suspension to be enforced by the park director.
5. Suspension may range from a game, multiple games, or the entire season.
6. Conduct will be strictly enforced.
7. All games start at 6 pm.
8. Team to right of schedule is home.
9. Only park directors can cancel or reschedule games. **NOT COACHES.**
10. First and 3rd base coaches cannot touch base runners during live action.
Should a violation of this rule happens, the runner will be called out.
11. It is strongly suggested that both coaches meet with umpires at home plate to discuss rules prior to start of the game.

PONY BASE RUNNER RULES

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- *Base Runners shall not run over a defensive player intentionally. Should this happen, the umpire, at his discretion, shall call the runner out and ejected for the remainder of the game.

- *Second offense during the season: Should this occur for a second time (same player) said player will be ejected from the current game and suspended for the next game.

- *Third offense during season: Said player will be suspended for remainder of season.

- *Ejection forms must be filled in by ALL parties (coaches, umpires & directors and submitted to parish office.

- ***Defensive players** shall not block any base (1st, 2nd, 3rd or home).

- *Runners must have plate/base access. Should this occur, umpire will call obstruction and call the runner safe.

- *All runners are instructed to slide when a play is being made.

COACHES

OFFENSE: COACHES ONLY ALLOWED AT 1ST & 3RD BASE.

DEFENSE: Only one coach allowed at dugout door.

DUGOUT: A total of 3 coaches only are allowed plus 1 scorekeeper.

NOTE: ONLY coaches and players are allowed in the dugout for safety reasons.

PONY RULES

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- *ALL GAMES BEGIN AT 6:00 PM
- * 1 HR 30 MIN time limit- or -7 innings
- *Scoring: All innings are OPEN
: 15 run rule after 4 innings, 10 run rule after 5 innings.
- *Any inning beginning after the 1 hr 15min mark will be designated as the final inning.
- ***NOTE:** Any game may be ended by umpires, coaches and park director for the following reasons:
 - A) Lack of a field with lights; Darkness
 - B) Weather Conditions
 - C) Poor field Conditions
 - D) Unsafe environment of players, coaches, umpires and FANS!
- * Base runners may take leads and steal ALL bases and Homeplate.
- *Pitching: Max innings are 5 per game; 10 innings per week
: Once a pitcher leaves the mound he is no longer allowed to return to pitch.
- *9 Fielders; FREE SUBSTITUTION: ENTIRE line up bats.
- *If for any reason a batter is unable to complete his turn at bat, the next batter in turn will bat. *That batter will "not" be counted out.*
- *Any injured player taken out may not return to line up.
- *It is recommended that all players play at least 2 defensive innings.

PONY MISCONDUCT:

Any player, spectator or coach having to be ejected from a game for any reason will be barred from his/her team's next played game. If this is a player/coach and it happens again he will be dropped from the team for the remainder of the season. If ejected, s/he must leave the playing field within one minute after being ejected.

Cursing and undue or continuous baiting of any official is unsportsmanlike conduct and is cause to eject player or coach from the game.

EJECTION FORM

DATE: _____

PARK: _____

GAME AGE- CLASS : _____

PLAYER/COACH'S NAME: _____

HOME TEAM: _____ . COACH : _____

VISITING TEAM: _____ . COACH: _____

HOMEPLATE UMPIRE : _____

BASE UMPIRE : _____

DESCRIPTION: _____

DIRECTOR SIGNATURE: _____