

Midget AL Rules		
Field Dimensions	Base distance	70'
	Pitching distance	50'
	Mound	no
General Rules	Innings	7
	No new inning after	1h 50m, drop dead at 2h
	Players needed to start	8 (1)
	All players must play 6 outs by the end of inning #:	4 (2)
	Wildcat batting order	Yes (3) (10)
	Max batters per inning	no
	Max runs per inning	5 runs per inning for innings 1-4 (4)
	Defensive Conferences	3 per game
	Defensive Substitutions	Unlimited (5)
	Mercy Rule	15 ahead after 4 • 10 after 5
Equipment	Forfeits allowed	Yes (7)
	Helmet Cage Req.	no
	Bat weight	n/a
	Bat length	n/a
	Max Barrel Size	2 3/4"
	USABat Requirement	n/a
	Wooden Bats	no
Pitching	Metal cleats	no
	Max pitches or innings/day whichever occurs first	85 pitches/game OR 3 inn/day 9 inn/wk (8) ^
	Intentional walks	no
	Balks	yes*
Baserunning Batting Fielding	Curveballs (wrist snap)	no (9)
	Infield fly	yes
	Dropped 3rd strike	yes
	Bunting	yes
	Thrown bat	Bench warning then Out
	Courtesy runner required for catcher w/ 2 outs (player who made last out)	yes
	Leading	yes
	Stealing	yes
	Advance after steal	yes
	Stealing home	yes
Headfirst slides	no	

* - See Division specific Rules
^ - See Pitch Smart Age Guidelines for pitch limits and required rest
(1) There will be a 15 minute grace period if a team does not have 8 players.
(2) Failure to comply with this rule or encouraging players to be absent or late shall result in a protest of the game.
(3) Late arriving players will be added at the end of the lineup card.
(4b) More than 5 runs can be scored. Play must come to a stop. Ex. 4 runs have scored w/ bases loaded and batter puts ball in play. Play must come to stop. Batting team could score 4 additional runs for the score to be 8-0.
(5) Unlimited defensive substitution shall be allowed providing the playing time rule has been complied with.
(7) A team must have at least eight (8) players when on defense or the game will be declared a forfeit.
(8) Player must be removed when he/she reaches pitch or innings limit - whichever comes first. Refer to 'RBBA Pitch Limits and Required Rest' handout.
(9) No pitcher shall deliberately throw a curve ball. If in the Umpire's judgment a curve ball is thrown, a no pitch will be declared and a warning issued to the pitcher and manager. If another curve is thrown the pitcher will be removed from pitching. <i>Movement on the ball does not constitute a curve ball, the purpose of this rule is to prevent stress on the arm.</i>
(10) The inning will end once the team with the larger roster has batted around, regardless of the number of outs.

Midget AL (6th & 7th grade) specific rules:
• Pitching Rules:
o Pitchers (after one pitch) may play other positions but may not return to pitch.
o Balks will be called. However, one (1) warning per pitcher will be issued for first 2 weeks of the season.
• Running Rules:
o AL - No runner may slide head first into a base not previously occupied. Runners sliding head first will be called out.
o Runners are allowed to slide head first to return to a base previously occupied.