

**TRI-COUNTY LITTLE LEAGUE PLAYING RULES**  
**PEE-WEE REESE**  
**2008**

1. The Tri-County little league baseball association playing rules shall be in accordance with the National League Official baseball rules and the Official USSSA playing rules with the exceptions of the modifications herein.
2. Pee-Wee Reese: Cannot be 13 years of age prior to May 1<sup>st</sup> of current year May 1<sup>st</sup> birthday is okay.
3. Metal cleats are prohibited in all divisions of play. Molded rubber or plastic cleats or tennis shoes are the only approved footwear.
4. Free defensive substitution for all divisions in pre-season tournament and regular season play. Starters and substitutes are locked into batting position. Defensive substitutions do not have to be reported, offensive substitutions shall be reported to the scorekeeper and the umpire.
5. Pitching Substitutions: A relief or substitute pitcher must pitch to at least one batter before he/she can be substituted for. Pitching to one batter shall be interpreted as: the batter shall either record an out or become a runner.
6. Official baseball rule 6.08: Change to state "all baserunners who are forced to vacate their base when the batter receives four balls may do so without liability of being tagged/forced out, if they leave base before the batter touches first".
7. **Slaughter rule for Pee-Wee Reese:** Two hours or seven innings shall constitute a complete game, whichever comes first.
  - a. If the home team is leading by 15 or more runs at 3 ½ innings of play or the visiting team is leading by 15 or more runs at the start of the 4th inning of play, the game shall be considered a complete game.
  - b. If the home team is leading by 12 or more runs after 4 innings of play or the visiting team is leading by 12 or more runs at the start of the 5th inning of play the game shall be considered a complete game.
8. Any runner is out if in the opinion of the umpire he/she does not slide or attempt to avoid a Fielder who has the ball and is waiting to tag the runner or if the runner maliciously runs into any fielder
9. Optional courtesy runner for the catcher: A runner designated at the start of the game can Be used to run for the catcher. However if designated runner enters the game as a substitute, the catcher then must run for himself.
10. Doubleheader games: In the event a doubleheader is played for whatever reason the game shall be limited to two 5 inning games. Slaughter rule is applicable after four innings. Doubleheader is two teams playing each other twice on the same day.
11. During league play a team may participate with one less player than required for that division of play. An out will be recorded when that batting position comes up.
12. The home team shall provide a minimum of two new baseballs and two umpires for each regular season home game,
13. Each team shall provide one new baseball per game in Tri-County tournament play
14. Each team in tournament play is required to provide one umpire.
15. All coaches must be 18 years of age or older. Umpires may be less than 18 years of age if both coaches agree to it. Scorekeeper must note this agreement in scorebook prior to the start of the game, with both coaches signature.
16. Teams shall be permitted a ten minute grace period after which the game may be forfeited .
17. Finish suspended game at home if possible before complying with 4.12 © League president shall be contacted prior to changing the scheduled site of all games.

18. A coin toss shall be utilized to determine the home team in all Tri-County league tournament play.
19. Incomplete games: Games shall not be declared a complete game if the game is called due to bad weather, darkness of any other unforeseen circumstance.
20. Rescheduling of games or incomplete games:
  - a. The game in question shall be rescheduled within one week and shall be played within two weeks of original date.
  - b. The visiting coach shall contact the home coach for rescheduling
  - c. In the event an agreement cannot be reached, the visiting coach shall contact the league president who shall reschedule the game
21. No scorekeeper or umpire shall call to the attention of the umpire of member of either Team of a player batting out of order. The penalty shall be loss of appeal with the batter becoming the legal batter.
22. All appeals shall be made by the Head Coach (NO ONE ELSE)
23. Protest, Tri-County League rules shall apply for all protest