

2024 Pony Coach Information

Coach Responsibilities before the Meeting:

<u>Access website</u> before season starts to get familiar with the links and sections.

LEAGUE WEBSITE ADDRESS: <u>www.tricoleague.com</u>

Most Important Link on web page is "2024 LEAGUE INFO"

It has the following: Field Rules / Umpire Information / Forms / Tournament Information and pending Tournament Schedule.

**CRITICAL THAT ALL COACHES READ & UNDERSTAND ALL THE FIELD RULES!

Items in yellow in field rules were adopted at January BOD

Meeting

The Filed Rules cover both regular season & tournament play: ** THERE ARE SOME DIFFERENCES for tournament play (example: pitching)

At bottom of Home Page

Batting Out of order Rules order format & Substitution Rules **CRITICAL THAT ALL COACHES PRINT READ & UNDERSTAND these Field

Requirements - keep a copy with you at the game

Top of Page:

Pre-Game Checklist (Strongly recommended reviewing prior to game starting with both coaches and umpires.

Home Page (left Side) of Website

Standings, Schedule (Hopefully ready by coach's meeting), Teams & Coach List

<u>Under the Town Section</u> is Field Directions - List of Teams Standings for each division as season progresses - See a specific team schedule -Coach Contact information

Coach Responsibilities during the Season:

FYI: NOTIFICATIONS (text messaging) will be posted ON HOME PAGE SHARE the website link with both parents and players

REPORTING SCORES

 THE HOST TOWN COACH is responsible to report at the latest by 2pm the next day the following. This includes ANY GAME - POSTPONED DUE TO WEATHER / FIELD CONDITIONS Rescheduling of ANY POSTPONED game MUST BE APPROVED BY League President Cancellation of games ONLY APPROVED BY League President Rescheduling of games is permitted for SCHOOL EVENTS ONLY WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION. (FOOTBALL / BASKETBALL during summer ARE NOT CONSIDERED SCHOOL EVENTS)

THE FOLLOWING NEEDS TO BE REPORTED:

Score of the game

Pitchers initials, Uniform Numbers for both teams {Example: BS#23 (3), TR#2 (1) } {This is WHY YOU NEED FULL NAMES AND #S IN BOOKS or in IPAD}

Number of innings pitched by all pitchers in the game for both teams {DO NOT COUNT 1/3 - 2/3 outs} {One pitch is considered an inning}

BOTH VISITOR AND HOME SCORE BOOKS ARE TO BE SIGNED BY A RESPONSIBLE OR DELEGATED INDIVIDUALS!

If using an IPAD by either team and the score is reported - I MUST be informed of the use of the IPAD as part of the reporting information

IF THERE IS A CONFLICT AND THE BOOKS ARE NOT SIGNED BY BOTH PARTIES THEN THE HOME BOOK WILL BE OFFICIAL BOOK

If there repeated issues with reporting then your representative will be contacted to get concerns corrected.

METHODS TO REPORT SCORES

- 1. EMAIL: vbmomchargers@yahoo.com OR ronwilliams@blueox.com
- 2. CALL , TEXT , TEXT PICTURE (if info is clear): CELL 712-251-3293 NOTE: I WILL NOT ANSWER PHONE WHILE COACHING LEGION GAMES!
- 3. USE THE " REPORT SCORE " ON LEFT HAND SIDE OF HOME WEB PAGE UNDER BANNER WITH OTHER LINKS

SCHEDULING INFORMATION

- DEADLINE DATES TO MAKE UP GAMES WILL BE LISTED ON THE EXCEL SCHEDULES and noted at the top of the website schedule when completed
- On 1/29/23 if was AAPROVED that Pony coaches have flexibility of start times on SUNDAY GAMES ONLY and in AGREEMENT with both teams with approval from League President (Otherwise 7:00pm start time)
- TEAMS visiting TOWNS THAT HOSTING two games on Sunday's must WORK TOGETHER to set times for games on that day!!
- ✤ DON'T WAIT TO THE LAST MINUTE TO GET GAMES MADE UP
- IF THE FEW SITUATIONS WHERE TRAVEL TIME IS OF CONCERN I WOULD RECOMMEND LOOKING FOR AN AGREED UPON NEUTRAL SITE. (Keep me posted if that is a decided method to get game in)
- Look for Field Location for towns that have JOINT FIELDS (example: Howells / Dodge)

TOURNAMENT

 High Seed will host in first rounds and High Seed in Semi-Finals / Consolation Final games will get to select time of game they preferred.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- ✤ ROSTERS CAN BE UPDATED UNTIL 6/24/24
- APPROVED BASEBALL (There are now minimum requirements for baseballs for league participation see home page for link)
- PORTABLE PITCHING MOUNDS ARE ALLOWED IN TOURNAMENT PLAY if they have been used during regular season (There are now minimum requirements for portable mounds - see home page for link)

- ✤ SAFETY BASES ARE NOT REQUIRED
- ✤ POPUP BASES ARE NOT REQUIRED
- SLIDING HEAD FIRST IS ACCEPTABLE (EACH TEAM TO DECIDE FOR THEIR PLAYERS)
- SUNGLASSES FOR PITCHERS NO LONGER ALLOWED

ADDITIONAL PONY COACH INFORMATION

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- ✤ ALL STAR GAME IS SCHEDULE FOR 7/07/24
 - Information for that event is in section of website mentioned earlier in this document
 - SELECTION PROCESS IS UP TO EACH TOWN OR COACH
 - YOU WILL SELECT TWO PLAYERS
 - LEAGUE CHAMPION AND RUNNER COACHING STAFFS ARE ASKED TO MANAGE THE TEAMS
 - I WILL REQUEST SELECTIONS AROUND MIDDLE OF JUNE
- FORM 6 (Available)
 - Legion Rule-Players playing in Trico League and Legion Baseball
 - Players pitching up Legion and in Trico MUST document pitch count in your games for Legion Coach or they could be Disqualified (Only Pitchers)