# **Utah Adult Baseball League Policy**



### **UTAH ADULT BASEBALL LEAGUE POLICIES**

Terms and Conditions of the contract between players and Utah Adult Baseball, NPC, include the following:

#### **Finances**

- After the first game of the regular season the league does not offer refunds. Players can "sell" their league membership to a player wanting to join the Utah Adult Baseball League, but the league will not be responsible for managing the financial transfer. The head coach of the team will be consulted by the league prior to any refunds being issued.
- Players can request a refund any time prior to April 15 of each year and the league will provide a refund.
- Players that don't pay will be subject to expulsion or suspension from the league until the payment is made.
- Refunds will not be made for season-ending injuries or health problems. Contract sale options apply.
- The league provides a playing field, umpire(s), baseballs, lights (where available), and schedule in exchange for player fees.
- The registration payment does not cover health insurance for any participants, including coaches.
- If a team forfeits, the forfeiting team will receive no refund for that game or be able to play a makeup game.
- The forfeiting team will be required to give a minimum of 24 hours of notice to avoid a forfeit, or that team will be required to pay both umpires and the field fees for the makeup game played by the team whose opponent forfeited.

### **Game Policies**

- Coaches are responsible to provide a lineup at the plate meeting to the home plate umpire and opposing coach. This is not optional.
- The games will be nine innings. This is subject to change when the board votes on a change of this policy.
- A game can be considered complete if it reaches the end of 5 innings or the end of 4.5 innings and the home team is ahead,
- and weather or were a field issue to occur and the game is no longer playable.
- Only Players and coaches are allowed in the dugouts or on the field. No exceptions. No bat boys allowed.
- Players/coaches that maliciously injure another player/coach may be suspended or removed from the league permanently, that
- includes lowering a shoulder into any opposing player on the field, or purposely throwing a baseball at an opposing player, or any other malicious conduct. The league will have the final say in each situation.
- Each team will be given 14-15 regular season games.
- Before lineups are exchanged, teams may bat all players or may elect to bat only nine players with substitutions.
- The league will provide at least 1 authorized umpire at each game. The league will make every effort to provide two umpires at each game.
- game but due to umpire shortage there are no guarantees of 2 umpires at every game.
- A three-hour time limit will be placed on every game. No new inning after the three-hour time limit expires regardless of score. Game clock starts when umpires begin plate meeting or when home team takes the field, whichever happens first. Games can end in a tie.

## Player/Coach uniforms

- Team coaches are responsible for arranging player jerseys and payments for uniforms from players. Coaches may pass on the costs of uniforms to players.
- Players and coaches must wear a consistent colored shirt with their team, and it must have a number to identify the player.
- Players and coaches are required to wear baseball pants during games. Base coaches are encouraged to wear helmets.

## **Playing Time**

- The league doesn't guarantee playing time to players.
- However, if a coach is not playing a paid player on numerous occasions without legitimate reason, the league may suspend the coach.
- If paid players are being substituted for non-paying players, and a complaint is filed with the league, the league will investigate and can give the team a loss, and possibly remove that team's playoff privileges.
- Teams must have a minimum of 12 players. If the minimum is not met, the league may suspend that team from playing without a refund.
- Teams may only have a maximum of 15 paid players. This is set up to protect playing time.
- All questions and final decisions will be left to the Commissioner of the Utah Adult Baseball League, LLC.

## **Pickup Players**

- Pickup players are allowed on occasions when paid players cannot make games. All Pickup players must read the league rules and policies and sign the acknowledgement waiver.
- Coaches must provide these documents to the player and forward the waiver to the UAB Board.
- Pickup players may not be added for the sole purpose of increasing the depth of pitchers on a team.
- Players from other paid teams are allowed to play on other teams where paid players are absent but may not be used to increase the existing depth of pitchers on the team.
- Pick up pitchers may be used from other teams only in the event of a forfeit if the regular pitching staff for that team will be unable to play.
- The team using pickup pitchers will need to forfeit the game, no matter the outcome.