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1. All playing rules will follow the 2011 American Legion Baseball National rules unless modified by the local association as set out below. These rules apply to all league games and invitational tournament games. No local interpretations of these rules are allowed, including special tournament rules. State AA Tournament has different rules that apply. See team packet for those rules.
2. Per American Legion rules, no pitcher may pitch more than a total of 12 innings in a 3 day period, in AA and A games in total. No player may make more than four appearances as a pitcher during any consecutive three day period. All "A" games are 7 innings. No new inning may start after 2 hours and 30 minutes from the first pitch in "A" games. "A" games may end in a tie based on this rule.
3. AA players may play in A games and wear their AA uniform. This is only allowed thru June 30th, 2011. After this date, players may only be on the AA or A roster. In the event of duplicate jersey numbers, the home plate umpire will be informed of the duplication.
4. No player may make an appearance in more than 2 games per day, (AA and A combined). This means that if a player makes an appearance in a AA game on Saturday they may play in only one A game on that Saturday.
5. Re-entry and DH(*for the pitcher only*) are allowed per High School Federation rules.
6. All games are to be umpired by the umpires group, headed by Lucito Munoz, or his designee; any questions should be directed to him. All games called after 5 innings of play are considered complete and final. All suspended games will be played based on field availability. "A" game umpires are in short supply. All "A" games are scheduled to have ONE home plate umpire. Home and visitors may furnish base umpires. In the event of an umpire "no show", the game is to be umpired by both teams' coaches. There will not be opportunities to re-schedule "A" games due to lack of umpires.
7. Field preparation for games will be done by a party under contract with the Alliance. In case of a doubleheader, field preparation will only be done for the first game, for the second game the teams playing will be responsible for sharing field preparation for that game. Local teams will handle their own field preparation (*ie*) *Chugiak, Wasilla, Eagle River, Fairbanks, and Kenai*. Rainouts and field conditions are the responsibility of the designated home team until the first pitch is delivered. Then those duties shift to the Umpires.

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8. Home team will occupy the First base dugout (*unless local field rules apply*) and must supply three Diamond game balls at the start of the game. Additional balls in good condition are the responsibility of the home team in the event of requests from the umpires. The Home team is responsible for supplying the scorebook, which will be the official scorebook, unless an official scorebook is present and agreed to by both teams. To conserve time, teams will not switch dugouts between games in a doubleheader.
9. Home team will begin infield at 45 minutes before the start of designated game time start and may take up to 20 minutes for their infield; the Visiting team will immediately follow for its 20 minute infield. There will be no infield/outfield between games of a doubleheader. In the event of time constraints on Mulcahy, or other fields on Saturday's, infield time may be shortened by the District Director or their designee, to meet game time requirements. Schedules should be checked on Saturdays with regard to utilizing other fields for warm-up prior to entering Mulcahy. See individual tournament rules for guidelines for pregame warm-up.
10. Reporting: In Varsity games the winning team is responsible to call scores to KTUU (Channel 2) at 762-9222; KYUR (Channel 13) at 762-8802 and the Anchorage Daily News at 257-4335 or fax line at 257-4342. Some teams will need to report scores to local media (ie) *Kenai, Fairbanks, Wasilla, Chugiak, Eagle River*. The Daily News will ask for complete inning by inning details with highlights, battery for each team, and may want to identify totals of runs, hits, and errors. This is important for the program so assign someone on your team to do this.
11. The official baseball of American Legion is Diamond Baseballs. These are the only authorized baseballs for games played in Alaska, league and non-league. Each team is responsible for shagging balls near their dugouts, this includes outside of Mulcahy Stadium, and if a team does not retrieve balls then it must replace them in the game. NO SEEDS OR GUM AT ON THE FIELD AT MULCAHY STADIUM. Players, coaches, and managers who do not follow this policy are subject to game removal by the umpire. This removal is not a game suspension, merely a removal from the current game.
12. Each team is responsible for picking up the trash in the dugout area and the bleachers next to its dugout. This is **required** under the MOA Parks and Recreation permit.
13. All coaches are to be in uniform. Coaches not in uniform cannot leave the dugout for any action, before and during the game. Coats and wind pants are okay as long as the uniform is worn underneath. Coaches on defense must be inside the defined dugout area per Legion rules. Umpires at game time will define the dead ball areas. Only players, coaches and team scorers are allowed in the dugout area. Per ALB rules, all adult coaches who are coaching bases must wear a protective helmet of their choice, with no ear flaps. Any Legion players coaching bases must wear a double ear flap helmet.

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14. Ejections – if a player, coach or spectator is ejected from a game the ejection is for the remainder of that game and the TWO GAMES immediately following that game. This applies to all personnel – players, coaches, managers and spectators. This rule also applies to ejections in games outside of the district, it is the responsibility of the team manager to police this and observe the rule.
After a second ejection for any player, coach, manager or spectator they cannot participate in a game until they have met with the District Director or his designee to discuss the incidents and receive permission to return. Invitational tournament rules will follow the same ejection policy as regular season rules.
15. American Legion teams in Alaska, “AA” and “A”, may ONLY play American Legion teams. Any exceptions have to be approved, in advance, by the State Director. This includes, but is not limited to; Adult League Teams, Elite Teams, Alaska Baseball League, Pony League, Little League, etc. . . . Permission is at the discretion of the State Director. This rule is being enforced due to American Legion insurance considerations.