

2017 Saint Peter Men's 1-Pitch League Rules

MSF/NSF rules will govern with the following exceptions:

- 1) The offensive team will provide the pitcher and the ball. The pitcher is not counted as a player that he may or may not bat and play defense when his team is in the field. The pitcher shall deliver one (1) pitch and no more to each batter. The pitch must be delivered underhand and at a moderate speed. Excessive speed pitches will receive one warning; thereafter the batter will be declared out. The pitcher cannot interfere with a live ball. If the pitcher touches or is touched by a batted ball, the batter shall be declared out and the ball dead. If the pitcher **INTERFERES** with a thrown ball, the ball is dead, the runner closest to home declared out, and all runners remain on their respective bases at the time of the interference unless forced to advance.
- 2) Pitchers have the option to take their position on the pitching plate and take a six foot step back before pitching. Once the six foot step back is taken, the pitcher must come to a full and complete stop with both feet firmly on the ground per the normal rule. Also, the pivot foot must remain in contact with the ground within the width of the pitcher's plate until the pitched ball leaves the hand.
- 3) The offensive team shall be allowed to bat any number of batters up to the entire roster, any nine of which can play defense at any time.
- 4) 20 run rule will be in affect after 5 innings, 15 runs after 6 innings, and 10 runs after 7 innings.
- 5) The game shall be nine (9) innings with no new inning starting after fifty five (55) minutes.
- 6) Seven (7) players are needed to start and finish.
- 7) You may contact the pitch however possible – hit off bounce, step out of batter's box or step on plate.
- 7) A courtesy runner is allowed. The runner being the last out – unlimited amount of runners.
- 8) The catcher must be **IN** the catcher's box until the ball is **HIT**.
- 9) **All foul balls are outs and the ball is DEAD.**
- 10) Absolutely **NO** smoking and **NO** glass containers allowed inside the field fences, that includes the dugout areas. Alcohol is allowed to be brought in for the games.
- 11) **A home run limit will be in effect. (5) home run and the rest will be outs. On ground rule doubles, all runners advance 2 bases.**
- 12) **A list of bats banned by the ASA will be available at the field.**