## **Division 3 (Grades 6-8)**

Cohasset - Hingham - Norwell - Scituate

## **Home Team Responsibilities:**

- 1. Pays ASA Certified umpire
- 2. Provides 2 ASA Stamped/Approved game balls
- 3. Supplies Bases & Pitching rubber

## **General League Rules:**

- No metal cleats
- No jewelry
- Sliding pads recommended
- Minimum of eight players to start game
- Continuous batting order
- Appropriate language and conduct will be displayed by players, coaches & parents at all times
- Caged helmets with attached chin straps required of all batters & base runners
- No new full inning shall start after 7:45 PM or 1:45 minutes after the first pitch of the game starts after 6:00 PM
- Game results should be reported to D3scores@lifebettersolutions.com within 24 hours of completion
- No player should sit for 2 innings in a row
- Pitchers rare required to wear a face mask, we recommend all fielders wear face masks

## **Division 3 Specific Rules**

- 12 inch ASA approved game ball will be used
- 40 foot pitching distance
- Dropped third strike rule is in effect
- Infield Fly rule is in effect
- Stealing on the release of a pitch
- No limit on runners advancing bases on overthrow in play
  - o If ball ends up out of play umpire will award proper base advancement
- Bunting is allowed
  - o "Show bunt, then swing" is prohibited 1<sup>st</sup> offence batter is out
- Continuation on walks is allowed
- 7 inning games
- 5 run per inning limit
- No run limit for last scheduled inning (7<sup>th</sup> inning, unless declared by both coaches and umpire due to time/ day light restrictions)
- No slaughter rule
- No inning restrictions for pitchers A pitcher must be removed from pitching position after hitting three batters in an inning or four batters in a game
- 10 fielders, 4 must be positioned in the OF. OF must start with feet in OF grass until the release of the pitch