

# 2010 KICKBALL

## OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

### **TEAM REGULATIONS**

- A. Teams must have a minimum of 8 players to start and finish a game.
- B. A maximum of 10 may play the field, but all players in attendance may kick.

### **GAME LIMITS**

- 1. Home team will be determined on the schedule. Game time begins when the umpire announces play ball.
- 2. All games will be 5 innings or 45 minutes, whichever occurs first.
- 3. RUN SPREAD RULE: A game will end if either team is leading by 20 runs after 3 innings or 15 runs after 4 innings.

### **PITCHING & CATCHING**

- 1. The pitched ball must travel slowly. The umpire will determine the legal speed. Any pitch traveling too fast will be considered illegal.
- 2. A pitch that bounces higher than 1 foot, at the plate, will be called a ball.

### **KICKING**

- 1. All kicks must occur at or behind home plate.
- 2. Balls and strikes will be called (3 strikes / 4 balls).
- A. Strikes are defined as: A ball missed by the kicker, a kick from in front of home plate.
  - -A foul ball...only one foul ball will be called as a strike
  - -A ball is defined as: A pitch outside the strike zone, an illegal pitch.
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### **BASE RUNNING**

- 1. No leadoffs or stealing is allowed. The runner must remain on the base until the ball is kicked. Violation of this rule will result in the runner being called out.
- 2. Base runners must remain within the "base line" when running from base to base.
- 3. A runner will be called out if they are hit with the ball below the shoulders. Any runner hit above the shoulders is awarded the base. If a runner intentionally uses their head to block the ball (umpire discretion) they will be called out.
- 4. Runners may advance no further than the next base on any overthrow. For example, a runner may only advance to second base on an overthrow at first.

### **OTHER**

- 1. Once the pitcher is in control of the ball, in the infield, play will stop.
- 2. Official baseball rules will apply when pertaining to;
  - Fair vs. foul ball, once kicked.
  - Tagging up.
  - The base line.

### **UMPIRE AUTHORITY**

During a ball game the umpire is in full authority.

- 1. Harassment of umpires will not be tolerated and will be cause for immediate ejection.
- 2. Any argument of a judgment call (including balls and strikes) is cause for ejection.
- 3. If an immediate rule clarification is required, the manager, in a professional manner, may ask for time out to discuss it with the umpire.

### **INSIDE RULES**

- 1 Rules same as indoor EXCEPT:
  - 2 A. Balls that hit the ceiling are no longer in play...counted as a do-over
  - 3 B. Balls that hit the back wall will be considered and automatic double even if the ball is caught
  - 4 C. Balls that his the side wall will be considered foul balls even if the ball is in play