

CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN LITTLE LEAGUE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR BASEBALL/SOFTBALL AND USAGE OF LOCHNER, CECIL, AND ST. FERIOLE ISLAND FIELDS

COVID-19 RULES

The Prairie du Chien City Council has approved the openings of the city owned ball fields starting on Wednesday at 4:00 PM May, 27 for teams preparing for the shortened ball season. All coaches must adhere to the guidelines below. Of course this is a fluid situation with all activities and the fields could be shut down by City, County and State officials at any time. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

- Dugout use will not be allowed for practices. Player's items should be lined up near the fence at least six feet apart. Players should not touch the fence or other structures.
- Parents must remain in their cars for drop off and pick up players for practices
- Players should use their own gloves, helmet and bats.
- Players must bring their own hand sanitizer and sanitize hands as much as possible.
- Players/Coaches/Umpires could bring their own face mask and wear as much as possible. Masks should be worn at all tournaments when not on defense.
- Coaches are responsible for ensuring social distancing is maintained between players as much as possible. This means additional spacing between players while playing catch, changing drills so the players remain spaced out, no congregating of players while waiting to bat.
- Players must bring their own water/beverage to consume during and after practice. No shared drinking fountains or coolers.
- **Players must bring their own snacks to consume. No shared communal snacks. The concession stand will not be available.**
- No spit-able food, i.e. sunflower seeds, peanuts in shells, etc.
- Coaches must sanitize shared equipment before and after each practice.
- For games each team should have their own set of balls. Balls should be sanitized between innings.
- Defensive team responsible for retrieval of foul balls and home runs. No offensive player or coach should touch a defensive ball. No spectator should touch any baseballs.
- Use of dugouts is permitted during games only. Bleachers located between the dugout and home plate should also be used to additionally spread out players. Players should have designated spots

to place their personal items. Coaches must designate an adult who is responsible for ensuring players are seated on the benches, unless they are actively participating in the game.

- Fan attendance is limited to household members of players on the team and siblings at all times stay with parent.
- No use of bleachers for fans. Fans must bring their own chairs, stand or watch from vehicle. Fans should keep six feet of social distance between different household units.
- No fan seating or standing is allowed in the area from behind home plate to six feet past the far end of each dugout.
- Fans should not touch or lean on the fence or any structure that they do not take home with them.
- Teams to play next must be provided designated areas for player warm-ups that provide for necessary social distancing.
- Post game handshakes or interaction between teams are prohibited.
- When games end, the leaving team must sanitize the dugout area. No post-game talks at the field. Fans and players must leave the playing area and return to their cars immediately after the game.
- The team to play next must remain in their designated warm up area until the prior team has finished sanitizing and is completely out of the dugout.
- Fans for upcoming games must remain in their cars during player warmups. They will be permitted to come to the field once the team they are there to watch enters the dugout area.
- **Players and fans should use the restroom prior to arrival as they are closed until further notice.**
- **No tournament play will be allowed at all city ball fields without prior confirmation from city council.**