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Some youth sports parents look for a coach that will help their kids "win". In the long run, it'll be better if they find coaches that develop skills, build relationships, teach life values, who can inspire and build character. With that, winning may just happen more often, too.

2020 Safety Manual & Handbook Clinic

February 8, 2020- Palm Harbor CSA Center

Welcome Managers & Coaches:

Thank you for your time/willingness to lead teams & represent PHLL!

Please Sign In On Attendance Log At Front Table







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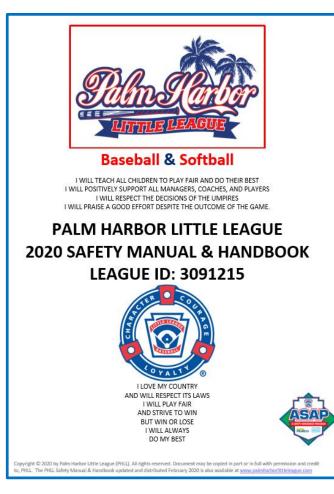
- Introduction of Session Presenters/Board Members
- Emergency Procedures and Rest Rooms for our meeting today
- For Today's Session
 - Scheduled for 2 hours
 - Key Points from the Safety Manual will be reviewed (Page number noted on slide)
 - Q & A time will be provided throughout today's session. Please save your questions until the Q & A session.
 - All documents presented are electronically available at: <u>www.PalmHarborLittleLeague.com</u>
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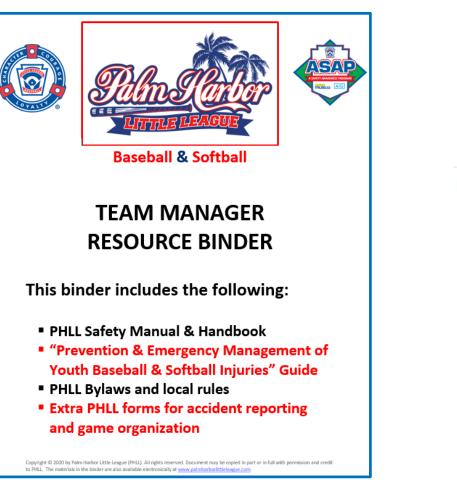


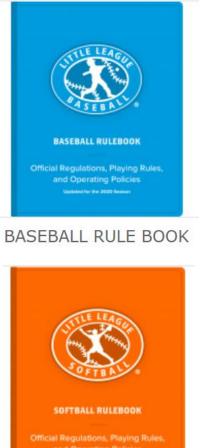




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SOFTBALL RULE BOOK

Question and Answer Session for items Discussed

Next Up: Basic Info, Responsibilities, & Rules







PHLL Purpose/Code Of Conduct (Page 4)

- We teaches boys and girls the game of baseball or softball, fair play, sportsmanship, how to be competitive, how to cooperate with others, how to win or lose with dignity, and how to respect authorities.
- Volunteer Pledge:

I WILL TEACH ALL CHILDREN TO PLAY FAIR AND DO THEIR BEST I WILL POSITIVELY SUPPORT ALL MANAGERS, COACHES, AND PLAYERS I WILL RESPECT THE DECISIONS OF THE UMPIRES I WILL PRAISE A GOOD EFFORT DESPITE THE OUTCOME OF THE GAME

 Supported with PHLL "Code Of Conduct" contract agreed to by all volunteers each season as part of the registration process







PHLL Facilities (Page 7-8)

- PHLL plays home games/practices on fields run by CSA Palm Harbor (local non-profit charged with managing parks, recreation & leisure services)
- CSA determines field "open" or "closed" status
 - Current field status: <u>www.palmharborlittleleague.com/Our Field (Status)</u>
- PHLL does not operate concession stand services







PHLL Contact Information (Page 8)

Organizational Point of Contact Information:

MAILING ADDRESS

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LOCATION OF MEETINGS

Sunderman Complex – Blue Building N.E. corner, near hockey rink. 8th St.

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MEETING FREQUENCY

Meetings are scheduled for 1st Wednesday of the month. Meeting notifications and times are posted on PHLL website calendar.

Rainout/Field Information

727-771-6100 (Palm Harbor CSA)

Officer Title

President Secretary Treasurer Safety Officer Baseball VP (L Field) Softball VP Coach Coord, Info Officer Player Agent Baseball VP (S Field)





Emergency Contact Information (Page 9)

Emergency Numbers

Dial "9-1-1" for All Medical Emergencies

PHLL Home Field Addresses:

Sunderman Complex:	1631 9th Street, Palm Harbor, FL 34683
Putnum Park:	799 Riviere Rd, Palm Harbor, FL 34683
Palm Field:	1151 Riviere Rd, Palm Harbor, FL 34683

Local Non-Urgent Emergency Contacts:

Name	Telephone
Palm Harbor Fire Rescue	727-784-0454
Pinellas County Sherriff	727-582-6900
Mease Dunedin Hospital	727-733-1111
North Pinellas Hospital	727-942-5000

Designated Safety Plan Personnel:

PHLL Safety Officer: Chris Fasting Medical Safety Advisor: Dr. Kochenour Safety/1st Aid Trainer: Julie Aaron LPN Safety Trainer

Name	Telephone
Sun-Star EMS	727-540-1234
Morton Plant Hospital	727-442-7000
Mease Countryside Hosp.	727-725-6111









Responsibilities (Page 10)

• League Safety Officer

• All League Representatives

- a) Be responsible to create awareness, through education and information, of the opportunities to provide a safer environment for youngsters and all participants of Little League Baseball.
- b) Develop and implement a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance and reporting.

All League Board Members, Managers, Coaches and Volunteers shall bring any safety related issue to the League Board attention as soon as discovered.

This shall include any equipment, field or property, game or practice actions by players, managers, coaches or parents.

This can be done by emailing: Support@PalmHarborLittleLeague.com







Manager Responsibilities (Page 11)

Team Manager/Head Coach:

The Manager is responsible for running the team including practices, and games. Below are some of the expected activities. Please see current PHLL local playing rules for additional activities.

a) Must learn and follow LLB and PHLL local playing rules.

- b) Instruct players in proper game skills.
- c) Involve parents with the team and league activities.
- d) Must attend player evaluations, clinics, and drafts.
- e) Inspect playing field prior to games and practice.
- f) Maintain League issued equipment and inspect prior to every game including first aid kit.
- g) Inspect player owned equipment prior to every game.
- h) Ensure male players are wearing the proper athletic protection.
- i) Inspect all bats for LLB compliance
- j) Assist in the training of assist coaches to become a Manager
- k) Verify annual service hours of all volunteers for assigned team if requested by the board.







Coach Responsibilities (Page 12)

Team Assistant Coach:

The Assistant Coach assists the Manager in running the team including practices and games. Below are some of the expected assist activities a coach provides to the team manager. Please see current PHLL local playing rules for additional activities.

a) Must learn and follow LLB and PHLL playing rules.

- b) Instruct players in proper baseball skills.
- c) Involve parents with the team and league activities.
- d) Must attend player evaluations, clinics, and meetings.
- e) Help Manager maintain League issued equipment and inspect prior to every game including first aid kit.
- f) Inspect player owned equipment prior to every game.
- g) Ensure male players are wearing the proper athletic protection. Inspect all bats for LLB compliance.







Highlighted PHLL Rules (Page 13-14)

• Ballpark Rules:

Park vehicles in designated parking spots for all PHLL events.

Do not enter "closed" fields. Should a field be closed due to weather, remove team from ballpark.

Tobacco, firearms, alcohol, recreational drugs or vaping are not permitted on any ballpark property.

No pets allowed on ballpark property.

<u>Manager/Coach Rules</u>

Managers/Coaches do not have the authority to appoint additional coaches.

All Volunteers (on the field or in the dugout) must be "Registered Volunteers" and approved by the President

• Game/Practice Rules

All batters/runners must wear LLI approved batting helmets with faceguards when using a bat. <u>Exception:</u> Junior/Senior divisions of Baseball and Softball are not required to wear a faceguard.

Players must not wear watches, rings, pins, jewelry or other metallic items. Exception: medical alert items are permissible.

Only LLI approved bats and equipment may be used for play.

All male players (league age 7 and above) must wear protective cups during games and practices.

<u>Softball Only:</u> Fielding faceguards are required (Page 15)

Question and Answer Session for items Discussed

Next Up: Safety Mission, Policies, Injury Prevent/1st Aid Reminders







Safety Mission Statement (Page 15)

PHLL believes the safety and health of all league members and players is of the greatest importance. From the President to the player, we all take this mission as our responsibility to:

- Eliminate game and practice-related safety and health injuries to all players, volunteers and spectators
- Provide a safe playing environment.







Safety Incident Reporting (Page 15)

All managers, coaches, volunteers are required to report <u>any and all</u> incidents within 24 hours to the League Safety Officer:

• Chris Fasting:

• Email <u>Chris.Fasting@PalmHarborLittleLeague.com</u>

• Cell # 727-365-1325









1st Aid Kits/Cold Compress Bags (Page 15)

- First aid kit and cold compress bags are in available PHLL field boxes.
- This is in addition to each manager being issued a 1st aid kit and cold compress bags for use during his or her practices/games when/if league equipment bags are issued.
- All managers and coaches will have access to the field boxes through the league's Bluetooth lock system
- Managers/Coaches are responsible to notify the Safety Officer if any new supplies are needed.







Batting Cage Safety (Page 16-17)

There has not been any batting cage related incidents in the recent past but that doesn't mean that we let our guard down.

PHLL has developed the following safety rules while using batting cages:

- 1. No climbing on the cages.
- 2. No horse playing in the cages.
- 3. No players in the cage without adult supervision.
- 4. No batters in the cage without wearing a helmet/faceguard.

- 5. All players waiting for the cage should be dragging their bat.
- 6. Parents should not allow player siblings to play in the cage while watching game.
- 7. Pitching Machine should be operated only by a properly trained coach or manager
- 8. A pitching screen should be used at all time while live batting of pitched balls. This includes while using pitching machine.
- 9. No cleats are allowed inside the batting cage.
- 10. Any person who opens the lock on the cages is responsible until they secure the lock.

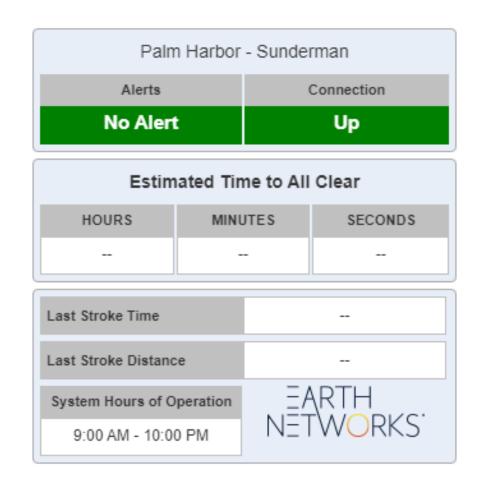






Lightning Safety Policy (Page 17)

- PHLL home fields have installed lightning detectors that will sound an alert when dangerous lightning is within 10 miles of the device.
- When lightning is detected the horn will sound and the strobe lights will continue to flash. Current system status: <u>http://csapalmharbor.org/parks-facilities/rainout-info/lightning-safety/</u>
- All activities on the field should stop and all participants should remove themselves from the field/dugouts and seek shelter.
- An all clear horn will sound, and the strobe lights will go off 30 minutes after the last detected lightning strike.
- When all clear horn sounds and the strobe lights are no longer flashing, field activities may continue should the fields remain open for play.









Concussion Policy (Page 17/Exhibit 2)

PHLL uses the CDC Heads up Concussion program to help the league recognize, respond to, and minimize the risk of concussion or other serious brain injury.

- In all cases, if a child is suspected of having a concussion:
- That child should immediately be removed from play for the rest of the day.
- Parents/Guardians Notified immediately
- A medical professional documented release to play is required before the player can return to the field for practice or games.

How Can I Spot a Possible Concussion?

Children and teens who show or report one or more of the signs and symptoms listed below—or simply say they just "don't feel right" after a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body—may have a concussion or other serious brain injury.

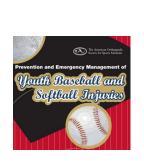
Signs Observed by Parents or Coaches

- Appears dazed or stunned
- Forgets an instruction, is confused about an assignment or position, or is unsure of the game, score, or opponent
- Moves clumsily
- Answers questions slowly
- Loses consciousness (even briefly)
- Shows mood, behavior, or personality changes
- · Can't recall events prior to or after a hit or fall

Symptoms Reported by Children and Teens

- Headache or "pressure" in head
- Nausea or vomiting
- Balance problems or dizziness, or double or blurry vision
- Bothered by light or noise
- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy
- Confusion, or concentration or memory problems
- Just not "feeling right," or "feeling down"







(Page 17/Exhibit 1)

- Basic understanding the Prevention & Emergency Mgt of Injuries is important for all Managers and Coaches.
- All Managers and Coaches are urged to familiarize themselves with this material.
- Paper copy of this program is in the Team Manager Resource Binder and/or by viewing the online version at: <u>www.palmharborlittleleague.com/About</u> <u>PHLL/PHLL Safety Manual (ASAP)</u>
- For all Serious Injuries 911 Emergency should be utilized

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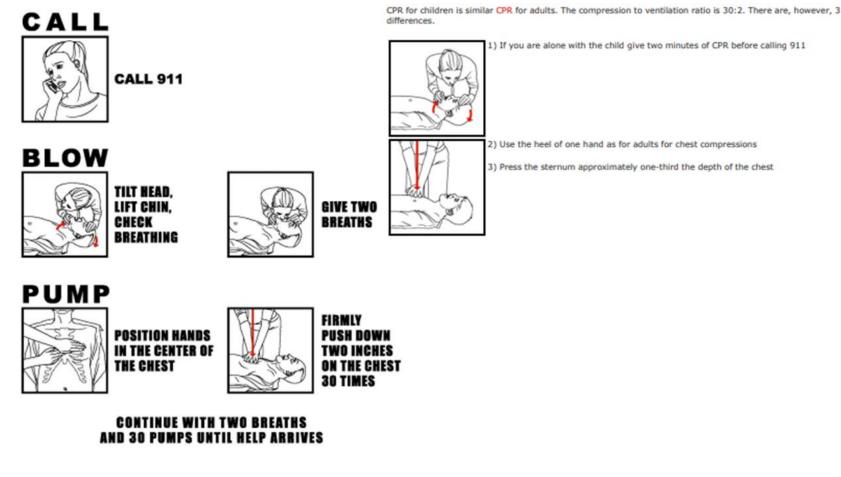








Basic CPR & Heimlich Maneuver Reminders (Pages 32-33)



The Heimlich Maneuver

The Heimlich Maneuver is an emergency method of removing food or foreign objects from the airway to prevent suffocation.

When approaching a choking person, one who is still conscious, ask: "Can you cough? Can you speak?"

If the person can speak or cough, do not perform the Heimlich Maneuver or pat them on the back. Encourage them to cough.

To perform the Heimlich:

 Grasp the choking person from behind;

Place a fist, thumb side in, just below the person's breastbone (sternum), but above the naval;
Wrap second hand firmly over this fist

Pull the fist firmly and abruptly into the top of the stomach.

It is important to keep the fist below the chest bones and above the naval (belly button).

The procedure should be repeated until the airway is free from obstruction or until the person who is choking loses consciousness (goes limp). These will be violent thrusts, as many times as it takes.

For a child:

Place your hands at the top of the pelvis;

Put the thumb of you hand at the pelvis line;

Put the other hand on top of the first hand;

 Pull forcefully back as many times as needed to get object out or the child becomes limp.

Most individuals are fine after the object is removed from the airway. However, occasionally the object will go into one of the lungs. If there is a possibility that the foreign object was not expelled, medical care should be sought.

If the object cannot be removed completely by performing the Heimlich, immediate medical care should be sought by calling 911 or going to the local emergency room.

Disclaimer: This is not certification training. The intent of this presented material is to provide reminders for individuals who are capable of performing these potential life saving techniques







LLI Child Protection Program (Page 18)

- LLI requires leagues to search the Department of Justice National Sex Offender Registry and conduct a national criminal background check for each volunteer with regular service to the league or repetitive access to children.
- As a condition of service to PHLL: <u>All managers, coaches, Board of Directors members and any other persons, volunteers</u> or hired workers, who provide regular service to the league and/or have repetitive access to/or contact with players or teams must pass a background check.
- PHLL uses the LLI JDP background application and background check process annually.

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LLI Insurance (Page 20)

- PHLL purchases "Accident Insurance" through LLI annually.
- This an excess coverage, accident only plan, to be used as a supplement to other insurance carried under a family policy or insurance provided by an employer for the claimant.
- The insurance covers eligible participants (players, and approved volunteers) while traveling directly, without delay, to and from the field as well as during Little League practice sessions and games.
- Coverage also extends to league volunteers involved in authorized league activities.
- Claim must be made within 20 days after an accident.
- The Safety Officer will assist in determining what is needed when a report of an accident is received.





LLI Medical Release Form (Page 24)

- Must be completed by parents or legal guardians of player prior to the start of any on field practice or games.
- Completed forms must be readily available to Team Manager or designee at all practices and games.

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LLI Insurance Sample Documents (Page 20-28)

Report any and all incidents to the League Safety Officer Chris Fasting, email **Chris.Fasting@PalmHarborLittleLeague.com** cell # 727-365-1325 within 24 hrs.

The most recent and up to date forms can be found and filled out online at: <u>https://www.littleleague.org/forms-publications/#asap</u>

Paper copies of these forms are located in the Team Manager Resource Binder issued to traveling PHLL teams and in one of the field equipment boxes located at Sunderman Fields

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Electronic Resources

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Thank you! Have a great Day!





