Tacoma Ground Rules

These rules govern the specific rules that will be used when playing at Baker Field I. They are meant only to define out of play boundaries, determine spectator areas, and cover any possible situations that are peculiar to a field if any exist. The ground rules do not supersede the Little League rules or the specific Tournament Rules. The description of the rules will start with the backstop area and proceed toward 3rd base and around the field back to the backstop area. Unless otherwise noted, a ball must completely cross the line or become lodged to be considered out of play. So, a ball touching one of the out of play lines is still in play.

Out of play areas:

- a. Any holes or cavities caused by the rubber skirt (if present) on the backstop, or any holes in the backstop itself.
- b. The entrance to 3rd-base dugout as defined by a line running from the end fence post on the 3rdbase side of the backstop to the first fence post of the 3rd-base fence.
- c. The gap as defined by a line running from the last fence post of the 3rd-base dugout fence to the first fence post of the left field fence.
- d. The gap as defined by a line running from the last fence post of the left field fence in foul territory to the left field foul pole.
- e. Any gaps or holes in the outfield fence where a ball may become lodged or pass through.
- f. The gap as defined by a line running from the right field foul pole to the last fence post of the right field fence in foul territory.
- g. The gap as defined by a line running from the last fence post of the 1st-base dugout fence to the light pole near the right field fence in foul territory, and then continuing from the light pole to the 2nd fence post on the near end of the right field fence. (Note: The light pole should be in dead ball territory).
- h. The entrance to 1st-base dugout as defined by a line running from the end fence post on the 1stbase side of the backstop to the first fence post of the 1st-base dugout fence.
- i. The spectator area is beyond the outfield fence between the foul poles.
- j. Players, managers, and coaches are not permitted to linger in the area immediately behind the backstop. They should remain in the dugout area.