



Little League® Baseball and Softball MEDICAL RELEASE



NOTE: To be carried by any Regular Season or Tournament Team Manager together with team roster or International Tournament affidavit.

Player: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender (M/F): _____

Parent (s)/Guardian Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Parent (s)/Guardian Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Player's Address: _____ City: _____ State/Country: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION: Email: _____

In case of emergency, if family physician cannot be reached, I hereby authorize my child to be treated by Certified Emergency Personnel. (i.e. EMT, First Responder, E.R. Physician)

Family Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State/Country: _____

Hospital Preference: _____

Parent Insurance Co: _____ Policy No.: _____ Group ID#: _____

League Insurance Co: _____ Policy No.: _____ League/Group ID#: _____

If parent(s)/legal guardian cannot be reached in case of emergency, contact:

Name Phone Relationship to Player

Name Phone Relationship to Player

Please list any allergies/medical problems, including those requiring maintenance medication. (i.e. Diabetic, Asthma, Seizure Disorder)

Medical Diagnosis	Medication	Dosage	Frequency of Dosage

Date of last Tetanus Toxoid Booster: _____

The purpose of the above listed information is to ensure that medical personnel have details of any medical problem which may interfere with or alter treatment.

Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____
Authorized Parent/Guardian Signature Date: _____

FOR LEAGUE USE ONLY:

League Name: _____ League ID: _____

Division: _____ Team: _____ Date: _____

WARNING: PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT CANNOT PREVENT ALL INJURIES A PLAYER MIGHT RECEIVE WHILE PARTICIPATING IN BASEBALL/SOFTBALL.
Little League does not limit participation in its activities on the basis of disability, race, color, creed, national origin, gender, sexual preference or religious preference.



Model Release and Waiver

I _____ ,
(Name)

of _____ ,
(Address)

hereby give permission to DURHAM LITTLE LEAGUE, to use photographs, voice recordings, or video taken of me during the games and events associated with Local League in any manner to help promote the league activities as determined in the sole discretion of the Local League. Such use could include publications, media releases, announcements, electronic or otherwise, and on league websites or social media pages. I understand that neither I nor my child/ward will receive any compensation if such image appears in any of the manners listed above or any other manner that the league deems appropriate. I agree that such image is the property of Local League.

(Signature) (Date)

(If the above is a minor, the section below must be completed by a parent or guardian)

I _____ ,
(Name)

of _____ ,
(Address)

the parent guardian of the above listed minor, hereby give my permission to
(check one)

DURHAM LITTLE LEAGUE, to use photographs, voice recordings, or video taken of the above listed minor during the games and events associated with Local League in any manner to help promote the league activities as determined in the sole discretion of the Local League. Such use could include publications, media releases, public announcements, electronic or otherwise, and on league websites or social media pages. I agree that neither I, nor the above listed minor, will receive any compensation if such image appears in any of the manners listed above or other manner that the league deems appropriate. I agree that such image is the property of Local League.

(Signature) (Date)



The Durham Little League Board of Directors has implemented Parent and Player Codes of Conduct

Our codes of conduct hold an important message about the proper role of parents, managers, and players in our league. It is expected that parents, managers, and players read and sign the Code of Conduct.

PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

We, the Durham Little League Board of Directors, have implemented the following Parent Code of Conduct for the important message that it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting the youth of our community and their child in sports.

The essential elements of character building and ethics in sports are the foundations of sportsmanship and are demonstrated by the core principles of respect, responsibility, fairness, and good citizenship.

As a Parent of Durham Little League I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for each child participating in Durham Little League by adhering to the following code of conduct:

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support at all times.
- I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youth, not adults.
- I will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player or parent such as booing and taunting, refusing to shake hands, or using profane language.
- I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning.
- I will respect the officials and their authority during games.
- I will not confront coaches or managers at any time during games.
- I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action levied by the Durham Little League Board of Directors that could include, but is not limited to the following:

- Verbal Warning
- Written Warning
- Parental suspension for games
- Parental season suspension
- Parental removal from all league activities

The Durham Little League Board of Directors retains the sole authority to determine what, if any, disciplinary action is appropriate for any conduct infraction.

PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT

We, the Durham Little League Board of Directors, have implemented the following Player Code of Conduct for the important message that it holds about the proper role of parents in supporting the youth of our community and their child in sports.

Player's responsibilities are simple; be respectful of others, be responsible, play fair, and always do your best, and always exhibit good sportsmanship.

As a Durham Little League participant, I hereby pledge that I will:

- Encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials, and parents.
- Be a team player and support my teammates.
- Be on time and attend every practice and game that I can, and will notify my coaches if I cannot.
- Work hard to improve my skills.
- Do my best to listen and learn from my coaches.
- Congratulate the other team after each game as a demonstration of sportsmanship.
- Refrain from using violence, unfriendly language, or insults to others.
- Be generous when I win and gracious when I lose.
- Obey the rules of the game and always work for the good of the team.
- Accept the decisions of the officials with grace and never challenge or question calls. Refrain from challenging or questioning on-field calls by officials and/or managers and coaches.
- Conduct myself with honor and dignity.
- Applaud the efforts of my teammates and opponents.

I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action levied by the Durham Little League Board of Directors or Code of Conduct Committee that could include but is not limited to the following:

- Verbal warning
- Written warning
- Player suspension for games
- Player suspension for season including postseason (All Stars & TOC)
- Player being expelled from the league

The Durham Little League Board of Directors retains the sole authority to determine what, if any, disciplinary action is appropriate for any conduct infraction.

Anyone removed from the Durham Little League fields must leave all fields and the access roads to the fields. Such persons may not remain in the Durham Little League parking lot. Any infraction of the above rules will result in a report being delivered to the Durham Little League Board for consideration of further action, as appropriate.

First Offense: Upon the reporting of a first offense by an individual, the Board of Directors, at a minimum, will provide a written warning to the offender, detailing the consequences of future infractions. Depending upon the severity of the infraction, nothing precludes the Board of Directors from banning a repeat offender from all Durham Little League activities, including, but not limited to, practices and games, for a period of time deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.

Second Offense: The Board of Directors may institute a wide range of penalties for repeat offenders, beginning with the second offense, as deemed appropriate by the Board. Such penalties include, but are not limited to:

1. A ban from participating in all Durham Little League activities for a set period of time or number of games.
2. A ban from participating in all Durham Little League activities for the entire season including postseason play (All-Stars).
3. Severe violations can result in suspension from all Durham Little League activities for the remainder of the current season or tournament and beyond.

Third Offense: The Board of Directors may choose to apply any of the penalties prescribed for a second offense. In the most extreme of circumstances, the Durham Little League Board of Directors may hold a meeting to determine whether or not the individual should be permanently banned from all future Durham Little League activities. The individual in question must receive a certified letter of such a hearing at least one week prior to the meeting and must be given the opportunity to speak at the meeting.

Physical Abuse - Physical abuse of an official, coach, player, or spectator will result in **immediate** expulsion from the Durham Little League fields at the direction of an umpire or a Durham Little League board member. Anyone expelled, for this reason, may not return to the Durham Little League fields or participate in any Durham Little League activity until the Durham Little League Board of Directors approves. Any parent, fan, or player who has been suspended or banned from league activities may petition, in writing, to the Board of Directors for a review of the penalty. The petition should be delivered to the league president, and the Board of Directors will meet as soon as reasonably possible to consider the petition. The aggrieved parties will have the opportunity at the meeting to present their appeal

Official Incidents will be documented within the Durham Little League Incident Form which is located on the Durham Little League website: www.durhamlittleleague.org. Paper forms should be submitted to the BB Player Agent *Chad Thurman* and SB Player Agent *Eric Horn*. Electronic forms should be submitted to President@DurhamLittleLeague.org

Parent/ Player Code of Conduct

Player: My signature verifies that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by and agree to the consequences of Durham Little League guidelines on the Player Code of Conduct.

(Printed name of player)

(Signature of player)

(Team if known)

Parent: My signature verifies that I have read, understand and agree to abide by and agree to the consequences of the Durham Little League guidelines on the Code of Conduct. I have also read and discussed with my child participant the Player Code of Conduct and will do my best to positively encourage my child to abide by its contents.

(Printed name of parent/guardian)

(Signature of parent/guardian)

(Date)

RESIDENCY AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Each local Little League determines the actual geographic boundaries of the area from within which it shall select players. These boundaries must be described in detail and shown on a map and dated when making application for a Little League charter. Players will be eligible to play with that league only if they reside or the physical location of the school where they attend classes is within the boundaries provided to and approved by Little League Baseball, Incorporated. **NOTE:** Players who established “residence” or “school attendance” for regular season and/or tournament in a prior season using the Tournament Player Verification form, and can produce the form with proper proofs and signatures, will **NOT** need to complete a new Tournament Player Verification form.

I. A PLAYER WILL BE DEEMED TO RESIDE WITHIN THE LEAGUE BOUNDARIES IF:

- A. His/her parents are living together and are residing within such league boundaries, OR;
- B. Either of the player’s parents (or his/her court-appointed legal guardian) reside within such boundaries. It is unacceptable if a parent moves into a league’s boundaries for the purpose of qualifying for tournament play. As detailed later in these rules, the penalty for violation of this rule may, in Little League Baseball, Incorporated’s discretion, result in the disqualification of a player, team or entire league from regular season and/or tournament play.

“Residence,” “reside,” and “residing” refers to a place of bona fide continuous habitation. A place of residence once established shall not be considered changed unless the parents, parent, or guardian makes a bona fide change of residence.

Residence shall be established and supported by documents containing the full residence which includes parent(s) or guardian(s) name, street address, city, state, and zip code information, dated or in force between February 1, 2020 (previous year) and February 1, 2021 (current year), from one or more documents from each of the three Groups outlined below:

GROUP ONE	GROUP TWO	GROUP THREE
1. Driver’s License	1. Welfare/child care records	1. Voter’s Registration
2. School records	2. Federal records (i.e. Federal Tax, Social Security, etc.)	2. Utility bills (i.e., gas, electric, water/ sewer, phone, mobile phone, heating, waste disposal)
3. Vehicle records (i.e., registration, lease, etc.)	3. State records	3. Financial records (i.e. loan, credit, investments, etc.)
4. Employment records	4. Local (municipal) records	4. Medical records
5. Insurance documents	5. Support payment records	5. Internet, cable, or satellite records
	6. Homeowner or tenant records	
	7. Military records	

NOTE: Example – Three documents from the same Group (utility bill, cable bill, and bank statement) constitute only ONE document.

Any documents submitted as proof of residence must demonstrate bona fide continuous habitation as determined by Little League Baseball, Incorporated in its sole discretion.

II. A PLAYER WILL BE DEEMED TO ATTEND SCHOOL IN THE BOUNDARIES IF:

- A. The physical location of the school where he/she attends classes is within the boundaries established by the local league. **NOTE:** This excludes home schools, cyber schools, sports-related schools, sports academies, preschools, or after school where a student participates outside of the primary school the player is enrolled.

“School attendance” refers to the (place) physical location the player in question attends school during the traditional academic year. Once established, a location of school attendance shall not be considered changed unless the child is enrolled and attends another school or is no longer enrolled in or attending the previous school.

School attendance shall be established and supported by a document indicating enrollment for the current academic year, dated prior to **October 1, 2020**, and with the physical location of the school, from **ONE of the following categories** to determine school attendance by such player:

- 1. Official/Certified school enrollment record dated prior to **October 1, 2020**
- 2. A Little League-issued school attendance form completed by the principal, assistant principal, or administrator authorized to sign on behalf of the school

It is recommended that the league require some proof of residence or school attendance within the league’s boundaries at the time the player registers. Players and their parents/guardians are advised that a false statement of residence or school attendance may lead to ineligibility to play Little League Baseball or Softball. Under **NO** circumstances does **ANY** person have the authority to grant a waiver that allows a child to play in a local Little League program **IN ANY DIVISION**, when that child does not qualify under these

eligibility requirements. Any league who accepts any player outside of its boundaries and fails to properly document compliance with the "Residence and/or School Attendance Player Eligibility Requirement" or obtain a waiver through the Charter Committee may result in the disqualification of a player, team, or entire league from regular season and/or tournament play.

If the claim for residency or school attendance is challenged, the above materials must be submitted to Little League Baseball, Incorporated, with an affidavit of residency or school attendance from the parent(s) or guardian(s). Little League Baseball, Incorporated shall have the right to request additional documentation in support of the claim of residency or school attendance. The parent(s) or legal guardian(s) will be required to provide said documentation to obtain eligibility. Little League Baseball, Incorporated shall decide the issue in its sole discretion, and that decision will be final and binding. Residency or school documents must illustrate that the residence or school attendance (as defined above) was inside the league's boundaries throughout the regular season (as of June 15 of the year in question).

In the case of a Regulation II(d) Waiver Form, or a Regulation IV(h) Waiver Form, the proof of residence for the **FORMER** residence of the parent(s)/guardian(s) or former school that was within the current league's boundaries must be obtained. This proof of residence for the former residence or former school attendance must be supported by the same documentation as noted above.

TOURNAMENT REQUIREMENT FOR NON-CITIZENS:

A participant who is not a citizen of the country in which he/she wishes to play, but meets residency requirements as defined by Little League, may participate in that country if:

1. his/her visa allows that participant to remain in that country for a period of at least one year, or;
2. the prevailing laws allow that participant to remain in that country for at least one year, or;
3. the participant has an established bona fide residence in that country for at least two years prior to the start of the regular season.

Exceptions can only be made by action of the Charter Committee in Williamsport. Any request for a waiver pertaining to the eligibility of a player must be submitted in writing, by the president of the local Little League through the District Administrator, to the respective Regional Director not later than the date prescribed in Regulation IV(j). Requests submitted after that date will not be considered.

PROOF-OF-AGE REQUIREMENTS ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF BIRTH DATE

1. Original proof of age document, if issued by federal, state, or provincial registrars of vital statistics in the country in which the Little Leaguer is participating.
2. If country of participation differs from the country of proof of age document, original proof-of-age document issued by federal, state, or provincial registrars of vital statistics, or local offices thereof, are acceptable proof of age, provided the document was filed, recorded, registered, or issued within one (1) year of the birth of the child.
3. An original document issued by federal, state, or provincial registrars of vital statistics, or local offices thereof, listing the date of birth, with reference to the location and issue date of the original birth certificate, is acceptable. (The original birth certificate referenced must have been filed, recorded, registered, or issued within one (1) year of the birth of the child.) Also issued by these agencies are photocopies of the certificate of live birth with the certification also photocopied, including the signature, and include the seal impressed thereon. Such documents are acceptable without "live" signatures, provided the original filed, recorded, registered, or issued date of the birth certificate was within one (1) year of the date of birth.
4. For children born abroad of a parent or parents who are U.S. citizens, any official government document issued by a U.S. federal agency or service, is acceptable. For military dependents, Department of Defense identification cards and military hospital certificates are acceptable. These must be originals, not copies, and must refer to a filing, recording, registration, or issue date that is within one (1) year of the birth of the child.
5. A "Statement in Lieu of Acceptable Proof of Birth" issued by a District Administrator is acceptable.

NOT ACCEPTABLE AS SOLE PROOF OF BIRTH: Baptismal Certificate; Certificate of Blessing; Certificate of Dedication; Certificate of Circumcision, etc.; Hospital Certificate; photocopied records; passports.

NOTE: Little League International has authorized the Regional Directors for Latin America and Caribbean, Europe and Africa, and Asia-Pacific, to adopt a policy that excludes No. 1 above. Local Little Leagues and districts in those regions will be informed of the regional policy.

HOW TO OBTAIN ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS PROVING DATE OF BIRTH

Certified copy-of-birth records may be obtained from the Registrar of Vital Statistics of each state, province, or local office where the child was born. For U.S.-born persons, addresses of these offices or bureaus, fees required, and other pertinent information are supplied by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (National Center for Health Statistics). A database listing the method for obtaining birth records from any U.S. state or territory is available at the following Internet address: → [cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm)

Individual states may also have online instructions on how to obtain “rush” birth records. To find out a state’s latest policies regarding birth records, go to the Internet site listed below and type “birth records” into the search field, designate the appropriate state, then **click on “SUBMIT.”** → [USA.gov](https://www.usa.gov)

Persons in the U.S. who need a copy of a non-U.S. birth record should contact the Embassy or the nearest Consulate of the country in which the birth occurred. Addresses and telephone numbers for these offices are listed in the U.S. Department of State Publication 7846, “Foreign Consular Offices in the United States,” which is available in many local libraries. This information may also be located at the following Internet address [found online](#). Such proof-of-birth records must meet the criteria for acceptable proof listed above.

HOW TO OBTAIN A “STATEMENT IN LIEU OF ACCEPTABLE PROOF OF BIRTH”

When an “Acceptable Proof of Birth” as described previously is not available, then the appropriate number of items in EACH of these FOUR groups are required so that the participant may obtain a “Statement in Lieu of Acceptable Proof of Birth,” which is required for such a participant to be eligible for regular season or tournament play:

- Group 1.** Any one (1) of the following, provided the date of birth is listed: a naturalization document issued by the United States Department of Justice; photocopy of birth certificate; original birth certificate or government record of birth if not containing a filing, recording, registration, or issue date within one (1) year of the date of birth; passport; *PLUS...*
- Group 2.** Any two (2) of the following, provided the date of birth is listed: Baptismal Certificate; Certificate of Blessing; Certificate of Dedication; Certificate of Circumcision; or any other religious-related certificate; Hospital Certificate; School Record (must be dated, and date of issue must be at least two years prior to current season); Social Security document; Welfare Department document; adoption record. Any item in this group must be an original document, not a copy; *PLUS...*
- Group 3.** Any two (2) of the following: A written, signed, and notarized statement from
 - ... the doctor who delivered the child;
 - ... a hospital administrator where the child was delivered;
 - ... the principal or headmaster of the school the child attends;
 - ... a Social Worker with personal knowledge of the child’s date of birth;
 - ... a Priest, Rabbi, Minister, Mullah, or other titled religious figure with personal knowledge of the child’s date of birth;
 - ... the child’s pediatrician or family doctor.

NOTE: In each statement in Group 3, the writer must describe his/her responsibilities or his/her relationship to the child, and must attest to his/her personal knowledge that the child was born on the date claimed; *PLUS...*
- Group 4.** A written, signed, and notarized statement from one or both parents, or the legal guardian (as appointed by a court of jurisdiction), attesting to the date of birth claimed.

The league president will forward the above documentation to the District Administrator (or, if the team is traveling, the Tournament Director). If in the opinion of the District Administrator, such evidence is satisfactory, a “Statement In Lieu of Acceptable Proof of Birth” will be issued. This statement will be considered to be acceptable proof of age from that point forward, throughout the child’s Little League experience, provided all the information submitted is accurate. (**NOTE:** If the District Administrator is unable to review the documents, they may be submitted to the appropriate Regional Headquarters.)

NOTE: Situations where players use the name of an adopting family or the name of the family with whom they live, but whose births are recorded under the surname of the natural father or mother, will be handled as follows: The president of the league will obtain from the parents or guardian a document that qualifies under Proof-of-Age Requirements, as well as a copy of the adoption papers (if the player has been legally adopted). If the player was not adopted, a notarized statement from the mother and/or father or legal guardian (as appointed by a court of jurisdiction), saying that the player living under one or the other of their surnames is the same player (for whom the birth certificate was issued) is also required.

These documents will be submitted to the District Administrator. If the documents are found to be acceptable, a “Statement in Lieu of Acceptable Proof of Birth” will be issued and all original documents returned. The information submitted will be kept confidential.

