2021 Adopted Rule Changes

Below is a summary of significant rule changes adopted by the Board of Directors of Dixie Youth Baseball, Inc. at its annual board meeting on August 8, 2020.

**Playing Rules – 7.00 The Runner – page 60:**

(L) A runner wearing a full-face mask, while attempting to reach the next base, attempts a head-first slide. **Note:** This shall only apply to a runner wearing a full-face mask attempting to reach the next base and does not apply to a dive or attempt to return to a base;

**Regulation I – The League – page 74:**

(E) (1) Each franchised league shall be composed of a minimum of three (3) teams and not more than nine (9) teams in the AA, AAA, Majors and O-Zone divisions and not more than eleven (11) teams in the A division.

**Regulation II – League Boundaries – page 77:**

(M) (1) With the written approval of the State and District Director a league may extend their boundary to include players that do not currently reside within the boundary of a league franchised by Dixie Youth Baseball. This area to be included must be contiguous to the current boundary of that league.

(M) (2) With the written approval of the State and District Director a group of leagues may extend their boundaries to include areas contiguous to the group of leagues that do not currently have a franchised Dixie Youth league. Such an area will become a common boundary for that group of leagues. Players from the common boundary may register with any of the contiguous leagues. Once such a player registers and is accepted by a league, that player shall remain the property of that league unless otherwise provided for in these rules.

**Tournament Rule XII – Protests and Protest Appeals – page 101:**

(H) (2) All protests based on the ineligibility of a player, other than age, shall be filed with the appropriate DYB official prior to the conclusion of the first tournament game played by that player. **Penalty:** The penalty shall be the immediate removal of the player from his/her DYB tournament team roster and disqualification from tournament play.