

CAPE ELIZABETH LITTLE LEAGUE

Cape Elizabeth Little League (CELL) is a volunteer-run, non-profit organization that relies on volunteer support to provide a positive baseball and softball experience for our children. Unfortunately, CELL's insurance coverage for injuries suffered at games or practices extends only to those volunteers who are officially listed on CELL team rosters, which include no more than one manager and two coaches per team. CELL is not insured for injuries to non-roster volunteers who participate in practices or games.

Non-roster volunteers who have been injured in games or practices have successfully sued other Little Leagues in Maine. Accordingly, CELL's Board of Directors has asked all umpires, managers and coaches to strictly enforce national Little League rules limiting on-field participation at games to umpires and those players, managers and coaches officially listed on CELL team rosters. Additionally, all managers have been asked to run their team practices without relying upon non-roster volunteers whenever possible, unless necessary for player safety and development. The Board recognizes that there may be occasions when managers determine that player safety and development require allowing non-roster volunteers to participate in practices. In those circumstances, the Board has directed that managers require any persons who wish to participate informally in team practices to acknowledge the inherent risks of participation and the lack of CELL insurance coverage for non-roster volunteers, and to assume the risks and release CELL and other participants from liability for any injury suffered. Managers are asked to forward the completed forms from each non-roster volunteer to the respective League Directors to be maintained with other CELL records for the season.

NON-ROSTER VOLUNTEER ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

The undersigned acknowledges that participation as an unofficial or informal volunteer in Cape Elizabeth Little League activities involves an inherent risk of injury associated with the sport of baseball or softball, regardless of the level of experience and ability of participants. These risks include, without limitation, (i) being struck by balls, bats, helmets, gloves or other moving objects, (ii) running into or tripping upon fences, uneven fields or other stationary objects, and (iii) colliding with players, coaches or other persons. The undersigned also acknowledges that CELL does not carry insurance that covers injuries to non-roster volunteers and CELL has very limited resources to cover uninsured risks. The undersigned hereby agrees to assume all risk of injury as a non-roster volunteer, and hereby agrees to release CELL, its directors, officers, volunteers and agents, and any other non-roster volunteer participants, from any claim or liability associated with the undersigned's participation.

Name: _____ **League:** _____

Signed: _____ **Dated:** _____