USML - rule adjustments for shortened season

Assumption: 60 game season starting July 19, ending on September 30 (73 days, 10 weeks)

Note that 60 games = 37% of usual season in games.

Caveat to items below: these may be adjusted if Onroto proposes something simpler or cannot accommodate any of the items below.

1. Trading deadlines

A. Bean trading

Regular rule: banned until 1/3 of calendar season complete.

Revised rule: banned first 3 weeks (1/3 of 73 days)

B. Non-contiguous trading deadline

Regular rule: allowed for 2/3 of season

Revised rule: allowed 6 weeks (2/3 of 73 days)

C. Contiguous trading deadline

Regular rule: allowed for one additional month (1/6)

Revised rule: allowed for one week after trade deadline

II. FAAB

A. Total budget: no change proposed

B. Contract status

Regular rule: FA during last month of season (1/6)

Revised rule: FA during last two weeks (1/6 = 12 days)

III. Innings/AB Minimums

A. Pitching innings minimum

Regular Rule: 900 innings

Revised Rule: 333 innings (37% of 900)

B. AB minimum (to qualify in BA)

Regular Rule: 4250 ABs

Revised Rule: 1572 ABs (37% of 900)

IV. Contract status

No change proposed; players will advance one year in contract status at end of year

V. Annual fee

No change proposed since fee is not large

VI. Position eligibility

A. In-year

No change proposed to rule that players qualify at a position as soon as they have played one game.

B. Next year

Regular rule: 20 games at one position

Revised rule: 7 games