

2018 District 5 Coach-pitch Interleague Rules

All D5 Mini Minors games will be played in compliance with the 2018 Little League Softball Rules and Regulations, and will include the following:

- NO "LOCAL" LEAGUE RULES ALLOWED!
- THE HOME/HOST TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING THE FIELD
- TEAM MANAGERS SHOULD COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO CONFIRM GAME TIME, LOCATION AND HELP REDUCE/AVOID CANCELATIONS.
- 1. A continuous batting order will be used for both teams.
- 2. The new rule 6.02 –(c) will be used. After entering the batter's box, the batter must remain in the box with at least one foot throughout the at bat unless there is a time out awarded or the swing or play takes them out of the box, or the pitcher leaves the circle or the catcher leaves the catcher's box. If the batter leaves the box, the umpire will ask the coach to have his player return to the box.
- 3. The defense can play up to 10 players in the field.
- 4. There will be a maximum of 5 runs scored per half inning OR 3 outs, which ever happens first.
- 5. No batting tees and no walks.
- 6. The time limit for all games at this level is a maximum of 1.5 hours, drop dead time from scheduled start time.
- 7. Free substitution is permitted. Minimum play rule of 6 defensive outs applies.
- 8. The defense team is permitted 2 coaches on the field, provided there is a coach in the dugout as well one in the outfield and one behind the batter.
- 9. Adults (offensive team manager or coach) will pitch the first half of the season by hand. A maximum of six (6) pitches will be presented to the batter. The players will be taught to pitch during the season at practices.
- 10. Beginning October 8th, 2018 players may begin to pitch. When players are pitching, the batter will get four (4) pitches, and then the offensive team manager or coach will pitch (3) three more pitches to the batter. There will be no strikes called on swings against the first four (4) pitches when a player is pitching. Strikes pitched by a player but not swung at will be called as a strike. The purpose is to encourage players to hit the ball rather than wait for the coach to pitch to avoid being struck out.
- 11. Players will be restricted to pitching (2) two innings per game and (4) four innings per week. If a player pitches more than (1) one inning, one calendar day of rest is mandatory. Delivery of a single pitch constitutes pitching in one inning.
- 12. Player pitchers will pitch from the regulation pitching distance of 35 feet mound to plate.
- 13. Advancing on a passed ball is permitted except for home base. No runner may advance from third base to home base on a passed ball or wild pitch. Once a pitch passes the catcher or is caught by the catcher, the runner on third base must remain on third, unless a defensive play is being made against a runner or runner/batter.
- 14. There are no game results recorded to determine the winner/loser of scheduled games.
- 15. NO FORFIETS.





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- TEAM MANAGERS SHOULD COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO CONFIRM GAME TIME, LOCATION AND HELP REDUCE/AVOID CANCELATIONS.
- 1. A continuous batting order will be used for both teams.
- 2. The new rule 6.02 –(c) will be used. After entering the batter's box, the batter must remain in the box with at least one foot throughout the at bat unless there is a time out awarded or the swing or play takes them out of the box, or the pitcher leaves the circle or the catcher leaves the catcher's box. If the batter leaves the box, the umpire will ask the coach to have his player return to the box. This year the umpire will provide one warning, after which the umpire shall call strike for every delay. No pitch has to be thrown.
- 3. The defense can play up to 10 players in the field.
- 4. Free substitution is permitted. Minimum play rule of 6 defensive outs and 1 at bat applies. No courtesy runners are allowed.
- 5. There will be a maximum of 5 runs scored per half inning OR 3 outs, which ever happens first.
- 6. Home team will provide (2) two new official Little League softballs to the home plate umpire at the coach/umpire conference held prior to the game.
- 7. The time limit for all games at this level is a drop dead time of 2 hours from the scheduled start time.
- 8. The host team will provide a minimum of a home plate umpire.
- 9. A rostered adult must be present in the dugout at all times when players are present.
- 10. The home team will provide the official scorekeeper.
- 11. NO FORFIETS, if a team is unable to field 9 players, umpires will leave the field, but please do a scrimmage between both teams (borrow players from the other team) and continue/start playing.





2018 District 5 Majors Interleague Rules

All D5 Major Division games are played in compliance with the 2018 Little League Softball Rules and Regulations, and will include the following:

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- THE HOME/HOST TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING THE FIELD
- TEAM MANAGERS SHOULD COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO CONFIRM GAME TIME, LOCATION AND HELP REDUCE/AVOID CANCELATIONS.
- 1. A conventional batting order will be used for both teams bat 9/play 9.
- 2. The new rule 6.02 –(c) will be used. After entering the batter's box, the batter must remain in the box with at least one foot throughout the at bat unless there is a time out awarded or the swing or play takes them out of the box, or the pitcher leaves the circle or the catcher leaves the catcher's box. If the batter leaves the box, the umpire will ask the coach to have his player return to the box. This year the umpire will provide one warning, after which the umpire shall call strike for every delay. No pitch has to be thrown.
- 3. Minimum play rule of 6 defensive outs and 1 at bat applies. Special pinch runners are allowed. *Starters are married to their spots in the lineup. Refer to littleleague.org/playingrules/rule-changes
- 4. The "10 run rule" will be observed, as described in rule 4.10 (e).
- 5. The "dropped third strike" rule is in effect.
- 6. Home team will provide (2) two new official Little League softballs to the home plate umpire at the coach/umpire conference held prior to the game.
- 7. The time limit for all games at this level is a drop dead time of 2 hours from the scheduled start time.
- 8. The host team will provide a home plate umpire, and it is recommended at least one base umpire. Umpires 18 and older are requested whenever possible.
- 9. A rostered adult must be present in the dugout at all times when players are present.
- 10. The home team will provide the official scorekeeper.
- 11. NO FORFIETS, if a team is unable to field 9 players, umpires will leave the field, but please do a scrimmage between both teams (borrow players from the other team) and continue/start playing.





2018 District 5 Seniors Interleague Rules

All D5 Junior Division games are played in compliance with the 2018 Little League Softball Rules and Regulations, and will include the following:

- NO "LOCAL" LEAGUE RULES ALLOWED!
- THE HOME/HOST TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING THE FIELD
- TEAM MANAGERS SHOULD COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE TO CONFIRM GAME TIME, LOCATION AND HELP REDUCE/AVOID CANCELATIONS.
- 1. A conventional batting order will be used for both teams bat 9/play 9.
- 2. The new rule 6.02 –(c) will be used. After entering the batter's box, the batter must remain in the box with at least one foot throughout the at bat unless there is a time out awarded or the swing or play takes them out of the box, or the pitcher leaves the circle or the catcher leaves the catcher's box. If the batter leaves the box, the umpire will ask the coach to have his player return to the box. This year the umpire will provide one warning, after which the umpire shall call strike for every delay. No pitch has to be thrown.
- 3. The "10 run rule" will be observed, as described in rule 4.10 (e).
- 4. Minimum play rule of 6 defensive outs and 1 at bat applies. Special pinch runners are allowed. *Starters are married to their spots in the lineup. Refer to littleleague.org/playingrules/rule-changes
- 5. Home team will provide (2) two new official Little League softballs to the home plate umpire at the coach/umpire conference held prior to the game.
- 6. The time limit for all games at this level is a drop dead time of 2 hours from the scheduled start time.
- 7. The host team will pay the two District 5 assigned umpires.
- 8. Teams must start and finish the game with 9 players. In the event a team has less than 9 players at the scheduled game time or other, the umpires will forfeit the game and immediately leave the field of play. The two teams may continue to play and use the allotted time as a scrimmage or practice, but no umpires shall be on the field of play. Home team shall report this forfeit to District.
- 9. A rostered adult must be present in the dugout at all times when players are present.
- 10. The home team will provide the official scorekeeper.
- 11. NO FORFIETS.

