

WV District 5
Little League Baseball & Softball
MINOR LEAGUE PLAYER PITCH
INTERLEAGUE RULES AND REGULATIONS
2020 Season

1. **Ground Rules:** Ground rules are set by each league. The umpire will meet with the Managers at home plate before each game to review any ground rules for that field before starting the game. Ground rules consist only of playing field.
2. **Grace Period:** In order to keep to tight field schedules, a wait time of no more than 10 minutes may be observed before starting the game. For late arriving players, if the manager lists the late player as a sub, the player may play after the starter has completed their Mandatory Play time.
3. **Time Limits:** Minor games the time limit for a game will be two (2) hour limit.
NOTE: #1 – NO NEW INNING will begin after two hours.
4. **Pitching:** All pitches will count toward rest required and toward eligibility requirements as set forth in Regulation VI – Pitchers
5. **Continuous Batting order:** Continuous batting order will be used the complete game. A player may entry and/or re-enter defensively in the game anytime provided he/she/ meets the requirements of mandatory play. Remember each player is to play six (6) outs and bat once.
Teams will bat continuous throughout the whole game, no matter the number of players per team.
6. **Defensive substitution:** May take place in such an order that no player sits consecutive innings or in other words the manager/coaches may change defensive substitutions every other inning. Just make sure everyone gets to bat and six (6) outs per game.
7. **Innings –** Minor league only – a five (5) run limit is to be imposed, which would complete the half inning.
8. **Forfeit:** Team with less than nine (9) players will receive a forfeit.
NOTE #1 – Minor League game will be scored 6-0
9. **Mandatory Play:** Every player must play in every game minimum of six (6) outs and one (1) time at bat.
NOTE #1 – Penalty as shown in above regulation
NOTE #2 - Should either team try to shorten, or prolong, a game with unsportsmanlike behavior because a team has not met the Mandatory Play rule, the umpires shall eject the Manager and follow Little League Rules & **Regulation IV.**
10. **Base Coaches:** Two (2) adults may be used on bases **ONLY** if there is at least one (1) adult is in the dugout at all times. (MUST BE APPROVED COACHES)
11. **Ejection of Manager/Coach:** All ejections for managers, coaches and players must be noted on the affidavit signed and dated by the umpire or league officer. A person ejected from a game cannot attend the next physically played game.
12. **10 Run Rule:** The ten (10) run rule will be in effect when after four (4) complete innings have been played or three and one-half inning if home team is ahead.
NOTE: If the visitor goes up 10 runs in the top of the inning, the home team must bat in the bottom.
13. **Inning is COMPLETE when:**

- 1 - Team has three (3) outs
- 2 – Team has scored five (5) runs in the inning

14. **Nine (9) Players:** Teams will use nine (9) players in the field defensively
15. **Base Stealing:** Players will be allowed to steal all bases, including home
16. **Dropped 3rd Strike:** Does NOT apply to Minor League Player Pitch
17. **ALL TEAMS MUST BE AT GAME SITE AT LEAST 30 MINUTES BEFORE GAME TIME.**