



2024 Interleague Playing Rules

Minor "AAA" Division

- Teams may play a game with a minimum of 8 players. There is no penalty for skipping the 9th spot in the lineup.
- Pool players are permitted if a team can only field 8 or fewer of their own players. They may not play any infield position, must wear their own team's uniform, and must hit at the end of the lineup. No more than one pool player may be used for a game.
- The home team is responsible for scorekeeping, keeping pitch counts, field prep, field teardown, and for supplying the game balls (minimum 3).
- If the scheduled umpires do not show, the home team will assign (an) eligible volunteer(s) to umpire. If the plate umpire comes from the visiting team, they may choose to become the home team if desired.
- The visiting team takes infield first, no sooner than 30 minutes before game time. Infield time is 10 minutes.
- Darkness / Light Curfew Policy: The drop-dead time for all games at this level is 10 minutes after the published sunset time (no lights) or 9:00 PM (lights). Games stopped before completion of the last full inning will revert back to the score of the last completed inning (or half-inning if the home team was ahead) as the final. If a reverted game would have ended in a tie, the game will be considered a suspended game and will be made up at the next available opportunity. Play will begin again from exactly where the game was suspended.
- Minimum play is nine (9) defensive outs and one (1) plate appearance. A home team not playing defense in the bottom of the 6th inning is not an excuse to not meet minimum play. Exceptions for shortened games.
- Continuous batting order will be used.
- Courtesy runners are allowed for the pitcher/catcher of record. Runner must be player who made the last out.
- Innings end with either 5 runs scored or 3 defensive outs. In the final inning or extra innings, runs are unlimited (must get 3 outs).
- Over the fence homeruns and ground-rule doubles supersede maximum run rules.
- No dropped third strike rule.
- Infield fly rule is in effect.
- The mercy rule is in effect (15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4, 8 runs after 5).
- Protests will be reviewed by District 68.