



2022 ACLL Major Division Rules

General game rules:

- Games will be played up to 6 completed innings time permitting
 - Tie games can go to extra innings, time permitting
- No new innings will begin after 2.5 Hours from game start
- A game is considered official if:
 - 4 innings are played (3.5 if home team is ahead)
 - Time limit has been reached (even if less than 4 innings)
- A minimum of 8 players per team required to start or continue a game
 - If 8 players are used the 9th position will be skipped, no automatic out penalty will be applied
- Home team to provide official scorekeeper and pitch counter
- Home Plate Umpire is responsible for time limit and sunset rule determination for games
- Mercy rule is in effect, games end if team is ahead by:
 - 10 Runs after 4
 - 15 runs after 3
 - Mercy rule games are considered official games
- Up to 3 manager/coaches/team parent allowed on field/dugout per team
- Coach may not play catch to warm up any player on the field, coaches may run fielding drills and receive thrown balls as part of the drill
- **For Player safety, there must be a coach in the dugout whenever there are players in the dugout. There are no exceptions to this rule, team will play with fewer defense and offense coaches if necessary**

Defensive Team rules:

- No defensive coaches on the field –All coaches must be in the dugout
- Maximum of 9 defensive players on the field
- Catchers must wear all protective gear, Including catchers mitt, throat guard, and athletic cup.
- Pitch count and days rest rule are in place for player safety, the following is a summary (See the Little League Rule Book or App for official rules):

| AGE | DAILY MAX (PITCHES) | REQUIRED REST (PITCHES) | | | | |
|-------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | 0 Days | 1 Days | 2 Days | 3 Days | 4 Days |
| 7-8 | 50 | 1-20 | 21-35 | 36-50 | N/A | N/A |
| 9-10 | 75 | 1-20 | 21-35 | 36-50 | 51-65 | 66+ |
| 11-12 | 85 | 1-20 | 21-35 | 36-50 | 51-65 | 66+ |
| 13-14 | 95 | 1-20 | 21-35 | 36-50 | 51-65 | 66+ |
| 15-16 | 95 | 1-30 | 31-45 | 46-60 | 61-75 | 76+ |

Offensive team rules:

- 2 base coaches allowed on offense
- 9 players in the batting order, other players are substitutes
- Courtesy runner for catcher with 2 outs and catcher is on base
 - Substitute player can run for the catcher, if no substitute is available last out can be runner

All other rules please refer to 2022 official little league rule book