



2023 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 (mercy rule games are considered official), games end if team is ahead by:
 - 8 runs after 5
 - 10 Runs after 4
 - 15 runs after 3
- 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 at any time, except the pitcher (this includes pre-game and between innings). Coaches may run fielding drills and receive thrown balls as part of the drill during pre-game warm up
- **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
- Continuous batting order (all players bat)
- Courtesy runner for catcher with 2 outs and catcher is on base (player must be officially in catcher position)
 - Courtesy runner will be last out recorded

All other rules please refer to 2023 official little league rule book