

2023 D11 Interleague Agreement Junior Division

Participants: ALL, BRLL, GVLL, NCLL, RLL, SFLL, and TCLL.

This agreement provides the Inter-League rules for the participating leagues and teams. At no time will Little League Rules and Regulations be superseded, amended, or ignored to accommodate Interleague play. Local League rules will be superseded by Inter-League rules. **A copy of this agreement must be provided to all managers, and they must have a copy in their manager's book during all regular season games.** A copy of this agreement will also be kept in the same location as the Official Scorebook at each Little League field for every participating league.

The Inter-League Committee will include all participating leagues' Presidents, District Interleague Rep, DA, and DUIC and act for and with consent of the participating leagues Board of Directors. The Committee is empowered to act in accordance with Little League Official Regulations and Playing Rules and any rules imposed by the local league. Protest Committee will include the DA, DUIC, and the game's league presidents

1. There will be no pre-game agreement by managers/coaches to modify any of these rules without prior approval from the Interleague Committee.
2. **Ground Rules:** Each League will provide ground rules for each field. It will be the manager's responsibility to review the ground rules with the umpires at the plate meeting
3. **Field Prep:** The Home Team will be responsible for field preparation fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the warm-up period and no later than 35 minutes prior to the start of the game. Host league will allow access to the equipment for field prep and game equipment. It is the responsibility of both teams to clean out their respective dugouts and bleacher areas for trash.
4. **Game Balls:** Home team will provide a minimum of 3 **new** game balls per game, as well as all additional balls.
5. **Scorebook & Pitch Count:** The Home Team will keep the official scorebook. The visiting team will provide the official pitch count recorder. The scorekeeper or pitch count recorder may not sit in the dugout, nor can they ever enter the dugout. If the visiting team does not provide an official pitch count recorder the home team may provide one.
6. **Pitch Tracking: Each manager will be required and be responsible for maintaining an official Little League Baseball Pitcher Eligibility Tracking Form (attached) for each game.** This form must be signed off at the end of each game by the official scorekeeper. All managers are required to bring the Pitch Count Tracking forms to all games and provide the form at the plate meeting if requested by a manager or umpire. The Pitcher Eligibility Tracking Form will act as the team's pitching affidavit and must be presented at the plate meeting, if requested, to verify ineligible pitchers. **Failure to provide the form will result in a protest and subsequent report being sent to the IDC.**
7. **Field Status:** The managers of both teams shall agree on the fitness of the playing field before the start of the game. If the two managers cannot agree, the umpires shall make the final determination.

8. **Umpires:** Home team will provide game umpires. Umpires are required to be present at the field and in uniform at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to scheduled game time and are authorized to supervise and enforce all rules of the Inter-League Agreement. Plate umpire may stand behind the pitcher.
9. Games may be started with **8 players**. No out for the 9th batter missing. If a game is started with 9 players and one player is lost, an out will be charged when the missing player's spot is passed in the lineup.
10. **Infield warm-ups** are limited to fifteen (15) minutes per team, time permitting. The visiting team will begin their infield thirty-five (35) minutes prior to the start of the scheduled game time. The home team will take infield twenty (20) minutes prior to the scheduled game time. The home team will move off the field five (5) minutes prior to the start of the game.
11. **Plate Meeting:** Five (5) minutes prior to the scheduled game time, the managers and umpires will meet at home plate to exchange line-up cards and discuss ground rules and any specific rule interpretations.
12. **Batting Order / Minimum Play:** A continuous batting order will be used. All players will be required to play defense for 6 consecutive outs.
13. **Courtesy runners** are allowed for the pitcher and catcher with two outs, and the substitute runner will be the last batted out.
14. **Portable Mounds:** May be used but cleats are not allowed when pitching on portable mounds.
15. **15-year-Old** players may pitch in the Junior Division.
16. **Run Rule:** A mandatory 10-run rule will apply to all Inter-League games. Once the 10-run rule has been enforced by the Umpire in Charge the game will be officially complete.
17. **Rainouts** and games that need to be continued from a previous date will be rescheduled within 72 hours, *by both managers*, and played no later than 14 days after the originally scheduled game. If the schedule allows for a double header to be played the next time the teams are scheduled to play each other, then this option can be employed.
18. **Protests and Ejections:** Both the team manager and the game's umpire shall submit an ejection and/or protest report **within 24 hours** to the District IDC.

Managers/Coaches failing to adhere to any rules will be disciplined as follows:

- 1st Offense- A Written Warning by the Interleague Committee and copied to the offending manager's board.*
- 2nd Offense- Recommendation of a 1 game suspension by Interleague Committee to the offending managers' board*
- 3rd Offense- Recommendation for a suspension for the remainder of the season by the Interleague Committee to the offending managers' board*

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