



Illinois District 13 Little League



Illinois District 13 Metro League 2018 Junior League

1. The official regulations and rules of Little League Baseball, Inc. (Green Book) will govern all play except noted below.
2. The point system, not necessarily most wins, will decide which teams will advance to the Junior League Tournament of Champions (TOC). Each team playing a scheduled game will receive one point. The winner will receive an additional two (2) points. Should a game be tied after regulation and cannot be completed, a tie can then be awarded. Ties must be the last choice. If a game cannot be completed then the game should be completed next time the teams meet or by any other arrangement that can be agreed upon. If this cannot happen then each team will receive a total of two (2) points for that game.
3. All games will start at the specified time on schedule. Teams unable to field a team 20 minutes after the scheduled time will forfeit the game, unless the opposing team has been notified 1 ½ hours before the time of the game. Three (3) points will be given to the team that is ready to play with the signature of the home plate umpire on the scorebook certifying that the team was ready to play. Scorebook page copy then must be sent electronically to Jim Wandell. Any team that does not notify 1 ½ hour before game time, or does not show up will be responsible for the umpire fees. **Otherwise forfeits will not be awarded for any other reason.**
4. If the start of a game is delayed for any reason, the official starting time will be the scheduled starting time of that game. Games must be completed to an official game status – 4 ½ innings if the home team is ahead or 5 innings if the visitors are winning. The **10** run rule will be in effect after 4 ½ innings, if the home team is ahead (Rule 4.10 (e)).
5. If a game has no game following, a 2 ½ hour time limit from the scheduled start time will be in effect. An inning that had started prior to the time limit must be completed unless weather, darkness or any other reason prevents completion. Score then reverts to last completed inning if an official game. When a game is scheduled to follow another game, at the 2 ¼ hour mark from the scheduled start time, and the game is official, the Umpires and Managers will convene. If the time limit has happened in the middle of the inning the inning will be finished. If the home team is winning and time has elapsed the game will end at that point. Pitching records are still to be recorded on the website for that game. Note: An umpire can order a forfeit (Rule 4.15f, page 86) if a team “employs tactics designed to delay, shorten or make a travesty of the game”.
6. All games that need to be rescheduled for any reason must be coordinated by the Metro Reps’s/VP’s of the two teams involved. Managers **WILL NOT** be allowed to reschedule games. Home team is also responsible for entering suspended or rain outs on website. Enter a tie as a suspended game. After reschedule date has been agreed upon, e-mail Jim with game number to update website.
7. The HOME team must submit score and home pitcher’s names and pitch count to website within 24 hours or before next game. VISTORS must verify score and other teams pitching records and input visitors pitch count on the website within 24 hours. Home team then must verify visitors pitch counts. The sooner the better for both Managers’ to submit and/or verify scores and pitching records. Repeat offenders for failure to input pitching records in a 24 hour period or next game is subject to a one game suspension. Additional game suspensions may result upon review by District Staff.



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8. Please confer with the opposing manager after the game to make sure you are all in agreement in pitcher's names and pitch counts. Also regarding the days of rest threshold rule (see rule book Page 44 paragraph D EXCEPTION)... a pitcher, for example, can pitch 23 pitches as long the pitcher is finishing a batter but the official pitch count on the website will be entered as 20 with no days rest. (The website would show a one day rest requirement if you entered 23 pitches). As long as another batter is not faced, then the official pitch count would be 20. This is in effect for all pitching thresholds. Any managers pitching an illegal pitcher will be suspended for 2 games and will forfeit the game in which the illegal pitcher was used.
9. High School players cannot practice or play on a team until their high school season is over.
10. Manager, coaches or players ejected from a game for any reason by an umpire will be suspended from the next physically played game (No appeal, Automatic: Little League rule). Additional game suspensions may result, upon review, by District Staff. **Managers and/or League officials are to enforce one (1) game suspension immediately.**
11. Pool players, to fill out single game rosters, will be allowed in Metro games. Pool to be administered by League Player Agent.
12. All rosters must be entered on website prior to opening day. Requests for additions or subtractions may be done up to 10 days after the start of the season. Website will be locked after 10 days for additions.
13. **New LL RUN RULE: If at the end of four innings or three and one-half innings if the home team is ahead, one team has a lead of fifteen (15) runs or more, the manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent. If after five innings, four and one-half innings if the home team is ahead, one team has a lead of ten (10) runs or more, the manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent.**
14. **Also be aware of new LL substitution rules, players cannot pitch three (3) days in a row as well as mound visits. See District website (Resources/Playing Rules) for more details.**

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Website for the new LL Rules, Metro League schedules, standings and pitch counts:

www.IllinoisDistrict13.com



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2018 District 13 Junior League Metro Tournament of Champions (TOC)

District 13 Metro Junior League will be involved in a tournament before the All-Star season to establish a District Metro Champion. There will be various leagues hosting Junior Tournament games. In order to be eligible, all Junior regular season games must be completed by Sunday, June 24. The Junior TOC will be starting on or about Thursday, June 28 and end on or about July 8. The results of all regular season games must be submitted and verified on the website by these dates. Listed below are the guidelines for the tournaments:

1. All teams participating in the Junior Metro League will be charged **\$150** per team. These fees must be paid to District 13 before the first regular season game. Make checks payable to District 13. All fees will be used to buy tournament participation pins, trophies and/or flags and to pay all umpire fees for the leagues hosting these tournaments.
2. The Junior TOC will consist of the top four (4) teams from each of the two (2) divisions for a total of eight (8) teams. The format will be determined later. Only results submitted and verified on the website will be used in official standings using the point system. First rounds will be played at Area sites and the TOC championship games will be hosted by Elgin National. If a team chooses not to participate in this tournament then we will then invite the next team from that division.
3. Higher seed will always be home team using the third base dugout. Championship games will flip a coin for home team/third base dugout.
4. Only Junior regular season teams can be entered in this tournament and all players must be on the regular season roster, given to District 13 before the season begins. The Junior TOC will use Regular season rules. Weather and other factors may change the format if necessary. The intent is that subs or pool players cannot be added to these rosters for the purpose of playing these games. **However D-13 reserves the right to allow pool players if a full team cannot be fielded due to League's participation in the Intermediate All-Stars.**
5. All League Presidents and Managers are responsible for the actions of their teams and fans at the games.