

# **Illinois District 13 Little League**

## **2018 Major Softball Supplemental Rules**

### **League Composition**

- The Major Division in Illinois District 13 is comprised of league age 10-12 year olds who are experienced softball players looking for a competitive level of play.
  - 12 Year Olds only may be “Dual Rostered” on a Major AND Junior Division Team roster at the same time.
  - ⊖ The Major Division will be scheduled to play a total of 16 games.
- Games will be scheduled on Mon, Wed, Sat.
- Games to start Week of **4/23**.
- Deadline for Games to be played and entered in Admin site by 6/26.
- There will be 1 Majors level tournament played Memorial Day Weekend.
- At the end of the regular season the top 4 teams ranked by season total points, will be entered into the Major Division Metro Tournament of Champions.
  - Teams will be ranked through the season using a points system
    - Wins - 3 Points
    - Loss - 1 Point
    - Ties - 1 Point
    - Other - There will be a **15 minute** grace period, from the official scheduled start of the game for a team to field enough players. If **after** 15 minutes a team still does not have at least 9 players present that team will be issued zero (0) points. A point (1) will be assigned to the team that had 9 or more players present.
    - If a game isn't played due to the above circumstances and points are awarded, the score that will be input into the League Admin site will be 6-0 for the Major Division.
  - If there is a tie at the end of the season in points, the first tiebreaker will be head to head, second **total** runs allowed.
  - District will **NOT** issue any forfeits at any time, regardless of circumstance.
  - All standings will be kept on the District 13 Softball League Admin Pro website listed later in this document.

### **Administration**

- Illinois District 13 Staff will be the overall administrators of the District 13 Major Division.
  - Each League will be responsible for their own teams, managers, coaches, fields, etc. as they are all chartering at the league level.
- Illinois District 13 will serve as the protest committee for District 13 Softball. The District will act on all protests within 72 hours of notification that are presented in

accordance with article 4.19 of the Little League International Official Playing Rules (Orange Book).

- All decisions made by District 13 in regards to protests will be considered final and binding.

## Umpires

- The home team is responsible for umpires for their games.
- Major Division leagues may choose to either use 1 or 2 umpires and is the sole discretion of the league.

## Playing Rules

- The Little League Softball Rulebook (Orange Book) will be used for the Major Division in all areas except when explicitly stated within this document.
- Below are amendments that will apply during the **regular season only**.

## Time Limits

- The time limit for this division will be **1 hour 45 minutes** when there is a game following. After this time **no new inning** will be started. The current inning will be completed unless the game has been called due to weather or darkness.
- If there is no game following then the game will continue until it has become an official game set forth by the Little League Softball Rulebook.
  - For the definitions of the above time limits, if there is less than 3 hours between game start times, then it will be considered to having had a game following and the time limit will apply.
- The time limit will begin with the coaches meeting at home plate with the umpire in chief and the specific time will be agreed upon during that meeting.
- Each team must have a minimum of 9 players present at the start of the game.
  - There will be a **15 minute** grace period, from the official scheduled start of the game for a team to field enough players. If **after** 15 minutes a team still does not have at least 9 players present that team will be issued zero (0) points. A point (1) will be assigned to the team that had 9 or more players present.
- There is a **10 run** Slaughter rule after a regulation game has been met.
  - If the home team is ahead, then it is after the top of the 4th inning.
  - If the visiting team is ahead, then it is after the end of the 4th inning.
- In the event of inclement weather the opposing team must provide at least 1 hour 30 minute notification of the game's cancellation.
- A Double Safety First Base will be used at this division.
- The Mandatory Play Rule will be **strictly** adhered to in accordance with Regulation IV (I) of the Little League Softball Rulebook (Orange Book).
- A team's official batting order, including names and numbers, must be provided to the opposing team at the manager's' meeting at home plate.

- **Pitching, Bunting, and Stealing are allowed in the Major Division in accordance with the Little League Rulebook (Orange Book).**
- Managers and coaches are *NOT* allowed to warm up pitchers at any time.

### **Batting Order**

- The Major Division will be using a continuous batting order.
  - This means that minimum play will be met when a player plays 6 defensive outs **and** 1 at bat.
- Batting order for both teams will consist of the team with the most number of players at the game.
  - *If one team has 9 and the other team has 11, then 11 players will be considered as once through the order and the order stays as continuous.*

### **Pitching and Game Logs**

- It is a **requirement** that managers for each team log their pitching information and game results within the League Admin Pro site.
  - <http://www.leagueadminpro.com/d13softball/>
- Managers are required to input their results into the League Admin Pro website within **24 hours** of the game's conclusion.
- The Home team manager is responsible for inputting the scores into the system.
  - Managers that become repeat offenders for not complying and not using the website, the following will be strongly suggested:
    - 1st Occurrence - Manager will receive a written warning
    - 2nd Occurrence - Manager will receive a one (1) game suspension
    - 3rd Occurrence - Manager will be suspended for five (5) games
    - 4th Occurrence - Manager will be removed for the remainder of the season
  - ***Please note that if a team hasn't uploaded their game results and pitching information to the League Admin Pro website, pitches a player, and that player is found to be an ineligible pitcher, Little League Rules and Regulations will be followed in regards to ineligible pitchers.***

### **Game Rescheduling**

- No game will be rescheduled for any reason except rainouts, school event, or inability to field nine (9) players. **All Games will be rescheduled within 48 hours of the original game date.**
- Once a makeup game is rescheduled the **VP or Rep** of the **HOME** team will make the appropriate changes to the date and time in the League Admin Pro website.

### **Good Sportsmanship**

- Teams may cheer or chant for their **OWN** team only.

- ***NO inappropriate*** comments will be made towards the opposing team.
- ***If inappropriate comments are made to an opposing team, the manager will receive a warning from the umpires.*** If the comments continue, the manager will be ejected from the game. This is subject to the Umpires' Discretion.

## **League Resources**

- **IL District 13**
  - <http://www.illinoisdistrict13.com>
- **League Admin Pro**
  - <http://www.leagueadminpro.com/d13softball/>
- **Little League Softball**
  - <http://www.littleleague.org/media/softball.htm>

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