



Playing Rules

2020 LFLL & LHLL AA

AA Division Season Play

The AA Division is intended to be a logical transition from Single A to AAA+ division baseball, and is the first division of player-exclusive pitching, keeping score, standings, and playoffs. Players continue developing baseball fundamentals and important aspects of teamwork in this competitive division. Although competitive, the focus remains on player development with the emphasis always placed on having fun, player safety, and sportsmanship!

1. At one (1) hour and thirty (30) minutes from the start of the game, the existing inning shall be finished and the next inning shall be the final inning played with unlimited runs. As a guideline, this should result in games being approximately two (2) hours on average. Umpire may call a game earlier if it is their judgment that playing conditions are unsafe. If the game has been called before it becomes a regulation game, as per Rule 4.10(c), it will be resumed exactly where it was left off, as per Rule 4.10(d).
2. If six (6) innings are completed before the specified time limit and there is a tie score, additional innings may be played.
3. There will be a continuous batting order which includes all rostered players.
4. Infield fly rule will not be enforced.
5. Each half inning other than the last inning will end after 3 outs or 5 runs, whichever occurs first. Exception: during a regular inning (not unlimited runs), scoring more than 5 runs may be accomplished by 1) an over-the-fence home run, where all runners are allowed to score and be counted or (2) in the case of a ground-rule double the runners on second and third are allowed to score and be counted.

6. No players present can sit out 2 consecutive innings. Exceptions can be made for physical injuries.
7. Runners may choose to attempt to advance (“steal”) on a passed ball (i.e. home plate is “open”).
8. The rest of the AA rules for the regular season will be Green Book rules.
9. Home team is responsible for keeping score and visiting team is responsible for pitch count and scoreboard operation.
10. Host team is responsible for providing both plate and base umpires.
11. Field Maintenance:
 - a. The home team shall be responsible for field preparation. The field must be in playing condition at least thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled start time. The field must be dragged, watered (if necessary) and lines painted/chalked.
 - b. The visiting team shall be responsible for fields take down and locking all equipment in the bin, unless the visiting team is from another league, in which case the Home team shall be responsible for such duties.
 - c. All trash shall be cleared from the dugouts by both teams.