

JUNIOR INTER-LEAGUE RULES -- 2008 SOFTBALL SEASON

The following are established as the playing rules for the 2008 inter-district Junior softball season between Dist 7 and 8:

- 1) There is not a mandatory 10 run rule at this level of play. Follow rule 4.10/e in 2008 rule book.
- 2) Rule 4.04 (i.e. the “bench-bat-rule”) will apply. If a player misses a turn at bat due to leaving the game early, an out will NOT be recorded. Remember: A player who misses a turn at bat due to sickness or minor injury is allowed to return to the game in their original batting position. (Umpires should allow a reasonable time for an injured or sick player to be treated for and recover from their problem and thus remain in the game.) A player who arrives late to the game may enter the game upon arriving at the bottom of the batting order. Substitutes need to complete their mandatory defensive play outs before being removed from their defensive position. Starters may be removed for another defensive player as long as they return later and complete their mandatory play time.
- 3) Remember that in junior play – we play under the intentional walk rule 8.03(e) - no pitch is necessary -- catcher asks for walk and umpire waves batter to first and ball is dead.
- 4) Pitching: see page 35 of rule book – on double header days a pitcher may pitch in both games up to a maximum of 10 innings pitched in one day
- 5) Because of travel -- weekday games should not have a new inning start after 2hrs and 15 minutes.
- 6) On double header games -- time in first game is set at 1hr and 50 minutes. The second game will not start a new inning after 2hrs and 15 minutes.
- 7) Any local field rules need to be announced before starting any game.
- 8) Each umpire is the representative of the league, district or inter-league and of Little League Inc., and is authorized and required to enforce all rules. Each umpire has the authority to order a player, coach, manager to do or refrain from doing anything which affects administering the game rules and to enforce the prescribed penalties. Please show proper conduct and sportsmanship even if you do not agree with the umpire’s final decision. Leave your questions for after the game and then with only proper league officials.