

LEAGUE RULES AND EXCEPTIONS TO ASA RULES 9 - 13 DIVISION

1. Pitching distance shall be 40 feet
2. Catchers must wear a face mask, body protector, and a helmet. Batter/runner must wear a batting helmet.
3. Prior to the start of the game, each coach shall supply the other coach with the official roster of all eligible players, their uniform numbers, and their starting lineup.
4. All eligible players will play three (3) consecutive innings by the end of the seventh (7) inning. However, she may re-enter the game more than once if she is replacing a player who has left the game due to injury, illness, or a emergency. A player may re-enter the game anywhere in the lineup. The official scorekeeper must be notified of late game re-entry at the top of the inning.
5. A game shall consist of nine (9) innings. If a team scores seven (7) runs in any inning, regardless of outs, they shall take the field in defense. (Effect, any runs scored over seven shall not count.) No game shall end in a tie. If by the end of the eight (8) inning a team is ahead by eight (8) runs, that team shall be declared the winner and the game ended. No game shall end before the seven (7) full innings have been played, with the exception of a rainout or rain-shortened game.
6. Sliding is optional. If in the umpire's judgment a collision caused by a player is deemed intentional, that player shall be removed from the game.
7. A batter, who in the umpire's judgment, has thrown a bat shall be declared "out", regardless of the outcome of the batted ball Intentional throwing of the bat -- OUT OF THE GAME!
8. No third strike foul rule.
9. Infield fly rule does not apply.
10. A team shall consist of ten (10) players on offense or defense at one time. However, a minimum of nine (9) players can play. Any less than nine (9) results in a forfeit. If a team falls below nine (9) players during a game due to injury, illness, or a emergency, the game will resume at a later date with the same players in that right's original lineup. When playing with only 9 players, the 10th batting position will not be declared a automatic out.
11. **NOTE: FOR 2006 SEASON, ALL GAMES HAVE A 1.5 HOUR LIMIT. ALL GAMES WILL START ON TIME, UNLESS DELAYED BY A RAIN WAIT. AFTER THE 2006 SEASON THE RULE IS:** Before school is out there will be a time limit of 1½ hours at all fields. No inning will begin after the 1½ hour mark. **After school year has ended, there will be a 2 hour time limit on all games. Make up games will carry the time limit of when they were started. Douglas Park always has a 2 hour time limit on all games.**
12. Umpire's will warn coaches, players, and fans of unacceptable behavior or language. The second time they will be asked to leave the park. A third warning will result in a forfeit of the game.
13. Pinch runners/hitters are not allowed.
14. If a game is postponed, any absent player not listed at the bottom of the lineup will not be allowed to play in the make-up game. The only exception to this is if any of the original players are unable to be at the make-up game and this would force the team to forfeit. Only at that time any absent players may then be added to the line-up.
15. Where field is equipped with double bag base, ASA Rules for same will apply. Other fields will rely on Umpire for rulings.