

California District 59  
2009  
Inter-league Rules  
Sr. Jr. Baseball  
Sr. Jr. Major Softball  
Revision 9 (10-05-08)

Purpose: These supplemental rules were established and accepted by the Ca. Dist. 59 board of Directors for the purpose of providing a standard of fair play for all leagues participating in inter-league play for the Sr. Jr. and Softball divisions.

Supplementary rules pertaining to the individual divisions may be added prior to the start of the season.

ILR 1.0-MANDATORY PLAY-Every player on a team roster will participate in each game for a minimum of nine (9) defensive outs and bat at least one (1) time.

PENALTY: Will be imposed in accordance with regulation IV (i) of the Junior/Senior League Baseball Official Regulations and playing rules.

ILR 2.0- Single season records will determine inter-league D59 area champions. *Jr/Sr division alignments will be determined on a yearly basis based on number of teams in each division.*

ILR 2.1- Divisional area tie breakers in sequential order shall be-

- (a) Overall won-loss record
- (b) Division won-loss record
- (c) Head to head win loss
- (d) Single game elimination playoff

ILR 2.2- The division rep will determine the number of teams for D59 TOC's on a yearly basis.

ILR 3.0- The home team shall provide:

- (a) completed field preparations at least 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the game;
- (b) umpires for game hosted;
- (c) an official scorekeeper and pitch count recorder; (no pitch count in softball)

- (d) maintain official scorebook;
- (e) three game balls to the plate umpire prior to the start of the game;  
(two game balls for softball)
- (f) Replacement baseballs as required in Rule 3.01 of the Jr. /Sr. League Baseball Official Regulations and playing Rules.

NOTE: the UIC of the game may ask for additional game balls, these will be provided by the home team.

ILR 4.0 Both teams shall clean up stands and dugouts after the game is over.

ILR 5.0- Game schedules. Each divisional area will have a schedule coordinator. The schedule coordinator shall-

- (a) Schedule all regular season games in accordance with Regulation VII of the Little League Baseball/ Softball Official Regulations and Playing Rules.
- (b) Re-schedule only games not completed due to weather, curfew, light failure, and approved protests.
- (c) Re-scheduling games to the next available date based only on field availability;
- (d) Not consider a team's current schedule or pitching eligibility when scheduling make-up games.

EXCEPTION: TIE games halted due to weather, curfew or light failure may be completed in accordance with Rule 4.12 of the Jr. /Sr. League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules.

NOTE: the division reps, reserves the right, the act as sole schedule coordinator.

ILR 5.1- No regular season game schedule arrangements shall be made between managers or coaches.

PENALTY: Both teams may be subject to forfeiture by the D59 Protest and Forfeit committee.

The managers or coaches involved shall for the:

- (a) First offense-a suspension for the next scheduled game.
- (b) Second offense-suspension for the remainder of the season.

ILR 5.2- The home team will be responsible for contacting their area coordinator within 48 hours for games not played for any reason or halted for any reason.

Penalty: games will not be rescheduled.

ILR 6.0- Medical release forms MUST be carried by the team manager or his/her duly appointed representative to all Jr. / Sr. League events, which includes but is not limited to practices and games.

*IRL 6.1 Official little league team rosters must be present at all games, and presented to the UIC of the game if requested. Manager and coaches must have a valid I.D. with them at all games.*

ILR 7.0- Prior to the start of the game, D59 certified pitching affidavits must be presented to the umpire-in-chief, official scorekeeper, and the opposing team's manager for verification. Failure to provide the D59 certified pitching affidavit is grounds for protest by the opposing team.

ILR 7.1- The district certified pitching affidavits shall be signed by the umpire-in-chief of the game and the opposing team's manager at the end of the game, or when the game is called by the umpire-in-chief due to weather, curfew, or light failure. NOTE: If at the start of the game, less than one complete inning is played and the game is terminated, no pitching record will be certified.

ILR 8.0- Ten-run rule IS in effect, for the Jr. Sr. baseball and softball divisions and Major Softball.

In accordance with the Jr. /Sr. League Baseball & Softball Official Regulations and playing rules, Rule 4.10 (e), D59 has adopted that after five (5) innings, four and one-half (4-1/2) innings if the home team is ahead, one team has a lead of ten runs or more, the manager (or their representative) of the team with the least runs, SHALL concede victory to the opponent.

NOTE: If the visiting team has a lead of ten runs or more, the home team MUST bat in it's half of the inning.

NOTE: In the event of the ten-run rule being imposed, D59 mandatory play time is waived: providing; all substitutes have been installed into the lineup by the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) inning.

ILR 9.0- Game scores must be reported to the appropriate division representative by the team manager or his/her representative within *three* (3) days of the scheduled game. NOTE: the day of the game counts as the first day.

PENALTY: The winner will not receive credit for a win in the division standings.

ILR 10.0- Games not played or halted due to enforcement of Rules 4.16 and 4.17 of the Jr. /Sr. League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules, shall be referred to the D59 Protest and Forfeit Committee for a final decision.

ILR 10.1- Game subject to forfeiture shall be so recorded in the official scorebook and the book signed by the umpire-in-chief. A written report stating the reason for the forfeiture shall be sent to the D59 Protest and Forfeit Committee within 24 hours by the umpire-in-chief, but failure of the umpire to file this report shall not affect the potential forfeit.

ILR 10.2- The D59 Protest and Forfeit Committee shall inform the team managers and area schedule coordinator of their decision on games subject to forfeiture.

ILR 11.0- PROTESTS, All protests must be submitted in accordance with rule 4.19 of the Jr. /Sr. League Official Regulations and Playing rules. *Change: the manager making the protest, must report in writing within 24 hours from the end of the game to the appropriate division rep. Managers are no longer required to send a report to the league president. The division rep will notify the league president(s) involved. All other aspects of LL Rule 4.19 are still in effect.*

ILR 11.1- The umpire-in-chief of the game shall submit a protest report to the D59 umpire consultant within 24 hours, but failure of the umpire to file this report shall not affect the protest.

ILR 11.2- The D59 Protest and Forfeit Committee shall inform the team managers and the area schedule coordinator of their final decision on valid protests.

ILR 12.0- The D59 Protest and Forfeit Committee will consist of the D59 Jr. Rep. the D59 Sr. Rep. the D59 Softball Coordinator, the D59 Umpire Consultant.

ILR 13.0 – Junior Division only, all field use information, possible school conflict dates, middle and high school graduation dates, number and names of teams, managers, player agents, and contact information, must be provided to the D59 Jr. Rep. no later than the last day of February .

PENALTY: the league(s) may forfeit their eligibility to participate in the D59 Jr. TOC's.

ILR 14.0- Restrooms. Restroom facilities shall be available at all games sites no later than the first day of the season, in all divisions.

PENALTY: Games will not be played, at that site until facilities are provided. Games may be re-scheduled to a site with restroom facilities.

NOTE: the managers may elect to play, or not with no penalties.

*IRL 15.0 Ejections.*

*(a) Managers and coaches.*

*1<sup>st</sup> offense, suspension as mandated under Little League Rules. Note; the district rep for that level may impose a penalty greater than mandated by Little League Rules, but may not shorten the suspension.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> offense, minimum 3 game suspension.*

*3<sup>rd</sup> offense, suspension up to and including the remainder of the season. This includes post season.*

*(b) Players, any player ejected will receive the penalty mandated by Little League Rules. Said player MUST, appear before the local league board of directors, with his/her manager to explain his/her actions prior to resuming play.*

*The appropriate division rep may also be in attendance at this meeting.*

*The local league may impose a penalty greater than mandated under Little league Rules, but may not shorten the penalty. Note; the district rep for that level may impose or shorten the penalty imposed by the local league, but may not shorten the Little league mandatory suspension.*

*The division rep does not have the authority to overturn any ejection.*

*IRL 15.1- making false statements to alter the game schedule will result in 1<sup>st</sup> offense, 2 game suspension.*

*2<sup>nd</sup> offense, suspension for the remainder of the season.*

*The suspension(s) will be served by the team manager regardless of who made the false statements.*

*IRL 16.0- a dress code for all D59 inter-league play will be in effect.. D59 dress code will be enforced for tournament play.*

*Regular season dress code.*

*Sr. Jr. baseball.*

*Shirt with sleeves and collar, or team jersey. No tank tops!*

*No open toe shoes.*

*HEMMED shorts are acceptable.*

*If a cap is worn it shall be the team cap.*

*Softball dress code to be determined by the softball rep.*