

California District 59
Inter-league Rules
Junior and Senior Divisions

Revision: 6 (03-26-06)

Purpose: These supplemental rules were established and accepted by the California District 59 Board of Directors for the purpose of providing a standard of fair play for all leagues participating in inter-league play for the Junior and Senior divisions. These rules **do not** supercede any rules within the current Junior/Senior League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules.

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 – A single season records will determine Inter-League District 59 area champions. Junior Division areas are North, Central, East, and South. Senior Division areas are North and South. *Note: (Senior Div. Only) Inter-District exhibition games will not count towards Divisional records.*

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

- (a) overall win-loss record;
- (b) overall division win-loss;
- (c) head-to-head win-loss record;
- (d) single-elimination playoff game.

ILR 2.2 – First and second place teams from each Inter-League Division area will qualify for the District 59 Tournament of Champions.

ILR 3.0 – The Host League shall provide –

- (a) completed field preparation at least 15 minutes before the scheduled start of the game;
- (b) umpires for games hosted;
- (c) an official Scorekeeper **and Pitch Count recorder;**
- (d) maintain the official scorebook;
- (e) written local ground rules to the opposing team and umpires;
- (f) three game balls to the plate umpire prior to the start of the game;
 - a. *Inter-District exhibition games – both teams shall provide two game balls*
- (g) replacement baseballs as required in Rule 3.01 of the Junior/Senior League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules.

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

ILR 5.0 – Game Schedules. Each Divisional area will have Schedule Coordinator. The Schedule Coordinator shall –

- (a) schedule all regular season games in accordance with Regulation VII of the Junior/Senior League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules;
- (b) re-schedule only games not completed due to of 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 Junior/Senior League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules.

ILR 5.1 – No regular season game schedule agreements shall be made between managers or coaches.

PENALTY: Both teams may be subject to forfeiture by the District 59 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 remainder of the season.

ILR 5.2 – Managers of both teams are responsible for contacting their area Schedule Coordinator for games halted due weather, curfew, or light failure.

ILR 6.0 – MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS must be carried by the team manager or his/her duly appointed representative to all Junior/Senior League events, which includes, but is not limited to practices and games.

ILR 7.0 - Prior to the start of the game, District 59 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 District 59 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 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 7.2 – Regulation VI (Pitchers) has been replaced with the Optional Pitch Count Regulation for the 2006 season. See the attach Appendix A.

ILR 8.0 - TEN-RUN RULE: There is **no** mandatory ten (10) run rule. In accordance with the Junior/Senior League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules, Rule 4.10 (e), District 59 has adopted that if after six (6) innings, five and one half (5-1/2) 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 **may 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.

ILR 9.0 – Game scores must be reported to the appropriate District 59 Junior/Senior Division Representative by the team managers or representative within seven (7) days of the scheduled game.

PENALTY: The winner of the game **will not** receive a win in the Division Standings.

ILR 9.1 – All incomplete games must be reported by the team managers or representative within 48 hours to the Schedule Coordinator.

PENALTY: Incomplete game will not be re-scheduled.

ILR 10.0 – Games not played or halted due to the enforcement of Rules 4.16 and 4.17 of the Junior/Senior League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules shall be referred to the District 59 Protest and Forfeit Committee for a final decision.

ILR 10.1 – Games subjected 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 District 59 Protest and Forfeit Committee within 24 hours, but failure of the umpire to file this report shall not affect the potential forfeit.

ILR 10.2 – The District 59 Protest and Forfeit Committee shall inform the team managers and the area Schedule Coordinator of their final decision on games subject to forfeiture.

ILR 11.0 – Protests – All protests must be submitted in accordance with Rule 4.19 of the Junior/Senior League Baseball Official Regulations and Playing Rules.

(a) – Protest during Inter-District exhibition games will be resolved by the umpire(s) on the field.

ILR 11.1 – League Presidents must forward the protest to the District 59 Junior Representative (for protests in the Junior division) or the District 59 Senior Representative (for protests in the Senior division) within 24 hours, but failure of the league president to forward the protest in the required time shall not affect the validity of the protest.

ILR 11.2 – The umpire-in-chief shall submit a protest report to the District 59 Umpire Consultant within 24 hours, but failure of the umpire to file this report shall not affect the protest.

ILR 11.3 - The District 59 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 District 59 Protest and Forfeit Committee will consist of the District 59 Junior Division Representative, the District 59 Senior Representative, the District 59 Softball Coordinator, and the District 59 Umpire Consultant.

District 59 Contacts and Information

Junior Representative	Chuck Rowland
Senior Representative	Mark Amador
Softball Coordinator	Jeff Pratt
Umpire Consultant	Ron Roberts
Junior Div Schedule Coordinator	Donna Amador
Junior Div Schedule Coordinator	Tim McCullough
Senior Div. North Schedule Coordinator	
Senior Div. South Schedule Coordinator	

Revision List

Revision 1 – March 10, 2004: Initial Draft approved by District Board

Revision 2 – June 1, 2004: Removed penalty from ILR 9.0

Revision 3 – November 9, 2004: Updated wording to ILR 2.0, 2.1, 5.0, 9.0. Added ILR 9.1 and updated the contact list.

Revision 4 – May 11, 2005: Add note IRL 2.0, ILR 3.0 (f) (a), and updated IRL 11.0 (a).

Revision 5 – March 23, 2006: Added ILR 3.0 (c), ILR 7.2, and Appendix A, and updated the contact list.

Revision 6 – March 26, 2006: Remove ILR 2.1 (d – h), ILR 2.1 (i) become ILR 2.1 (d).

APPENDIX A: Optional Pitch Count Regulation VI