

MBL Fall League Rules and Regulations

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For Fall League, teams will play at the age group they will play at next summer. For example, if you are playing 13A next summer, you will play 13A/Rec for Fall League.

The following rules and regulations shall govern play in all MBL Fall League games. The official rules are the MBL summer season rules except where modified below.

Continuous Batting: Continuous Batting and free substitution is required at all ages.

Game Length:

- 9-12 Year Olds: 6 innings or 1 hour and 45 minutes (Hard stop)
- 13-18 Year Olds: 7 innings or 1 hour and 45 minutes (Hard stop)

Pitching/Base Distances:

- 9-10's: 46 Feet / 60 Feet
- 11's: 46 Feet / 65 Feet
- 12's: 52 feet / 75 feet
- 13's: 54 feet / 80 feet
- 14-18's: 60 feet, 6 inches / 90 feet

Pitching Restrictions:

- 9-11 year old division a pitcher may pitch a maximum of **2 innings per game**
- 12-13 year old division a pitcher may pitch a maximum of **3 innings per game**
- 14-18 year old divisions a pitcher may pitch a maximum of **4 innings per game**

Run Restrictions: In the event of a mismatch, before or during the game the coaches can agree on a 7 run max per inning rule.

Metal Cleats: Metal cleats are prohibited for the "To Be 9-12's"

Base Running: The following rules shall apply:

- **09 year olds** – A player may lead off and steal after the ball crosses home plate
- **10 year olds** – A player may lead off and steal after the ball crosses home plate
- **11 year olds** - A player may lead off and steal after the ball leaves the pitchers hand
- **12 - 18 year olds** - A player may lead off and steal at any time
- **In the 9, 10 & 11 year old divisions**, the batter may **NOT** advance to first base on a dropped third strike

Equipment: All bats, helmets, catcher's gear, footwear and other equipment must conform to National Federation rules and regulations.

Home team determined by coin flip.

Courtesy Runners: The last out can be used as a courtesy runner for the pitcher, catcher, or injured player at any time.

League Information: In case of rain contact the **Host Team** to determine if your game has been canceled. If the umpire does not show, please contact the umpire coordinator used for your field.