

10U League Baseball Rules 2021

Champaign County League

***All age groups are subject to Champaign County League-Wide Regulations.** All rules not covered herein shall be governed by high school rulebook.

1. Age Qualifications: 10u Baseball ages are 9 and 10 year olds. A player can't be 11 years old before cutoff date (May 1st) All 11 year olds must move up (No Exceptions).
2. Playing Field: Pitching: 46ft. from the back corner of home plate to front edge of the pitching rubber. Base Path: 60ft.
3. Games will consist of six innings. A complete game can be called after four innings. Only exception after 3 1/2 innings and the home team is ahead.
4. 7 runs per inning limit.
5. Run Rule: 15 run after 4 innings and 12 runs after 5 innings.
6. Play with 10 defensive players (4 outfielders). The 4 outfielders must be in a normal playing position. Depending on the size of the field it can be defined as the edge of the grass or an approximation of 20 ft. beyond the base paths. Outfielders will start in the grass
7. No fielder can play more than ten (10) feet in front of any base until after the ball has been pitched.
8. Stealing: There is to be no leading off from bases. Runners are allowed to steal on the release of the pitch. Base runner CANNOT steal home **or advance on a pitcher dropped ball, but may advance home on an overthrow at any base.**
9. During an attempt made on stealing runner, the ball shall be considered live. (At his own risk, the runner may advance one (1) base beyond that where an attempt to retire him was made.) **And all other base runners may advance one (1) base at their own risk.**
10. Sliding: Head first sliding is strictly prohibited and constitutes an automatic out. All runners must attempt to slide if a play is being made on that base. A player may dive headfirst back into a bag.
11. Infield Fly Rule Does NOT apply to this age group
12. There will be no automatic walks. The pitcher must pitch to the batter.
13. Runs are awarded following a **batted ball, walk, or an overthrow.**
14. All present players must play at least 3 innings of defense in a full six (6) inning game. (Coaches have the right to reduce playing time for failure to attend practices.)
15. The maximum number of innings a player may pitch is three (3) per game. Any delivery of a pitch will constitute an inning pitched.
16. No pitcher can return to the mound after being removed as pitcher.
17. No intentional curve balls are permitted. 1st offense is a warning from umpire; 2nd offense-removal from pitcher's mound. This will be called by an umpire only.
18. A coach may make two trips to the mound. On the third trip, the pitcher must be removed.
19. A pitcher must be replaced after hitting three (3) batters during a game.
20. Bunting is permitted. Once the batter squares to bunt he must bunt or pull back. Slap bunting will result in an automatic out.