

2023 UMPIRE/COACH CRIB NOTES 10-12 YEAR OLD DIVISIONS

NFHS RULES APPLY WITH THE BELOW MODIFICATIONS/ POINTS OF EMPHASIS

- **Pre-Game Conference:** Coin Flip determines home team for every game. Review ground rules, start time for game.
- **Remind coaches sporting behavior is expected and that an ejection for unsporting conduct results in disqualification from the tournament.**
- **Pitch Count:** Remind each coach they must designate a rep to keep and confirm all pitch counts after each half inning of play with opponent. Pitchers are allowed to finish an at-bat if per-day or per-game limit is reached during an at-bat. Foul balls, even with 2 strikes, count as pitches thrown.
10U: 75 pitches per day, 140 per tournament.
11/12U: 85 pitches per day, 150 per tournament.
- **10 minute grace period** for team's first game in the tournament. Thereafter, game time is forfeit time (**must be declared by MSF Site Manager - summon them**).
- **Must have 9 players to start game**, may continue with 8 players if needed, unless reduced to 8 by player ejection.
- **Warmup Pitches:** 4 at start of inning, 6 if pitcher is replaced during an inning.
- **Defensive conference/Mound Visits:** Teams are limited to three (+1 per extra inning) Defensive Player Conferences/Mound Visits per game. Pitchers must be removed from the pitcher position after 4th and subsequent defensive conferences/trips to the mound.
- **Offensive conference:** 1 per inning
- 2 new and 2 used balls used for each game. Get them from Tournament Mgr.
- **Infield Practice:** No infield practice before games.
- **Pitching Distances/Base Distances:**
10U: 45-46 ft/60 ft
11U: 45-46 ft/65 ft
12U: 52-54 ft/75 ft

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- **Helmets:** Must be worn while batting, base running or catching.
- **Jerseys:** Identical jerseys of identical color. No duplicate #'s or taped #'s.
- **BATS MUST:** 1.) Have the 1.15 BPF Stamp or USABat Stamp; OR 2.) Have the BBCOR stamp; OR 3.) Be a wood bat.
- **Spikes:** Metal spikes are NOT allowed for 10-12U.
- **Legal Braces:** See Complete Rules Handout provided by MSF.
- **10-12U:** No curveballs of any kind; 1st Offense = Warning, 2nd Offense = DQ of pitcher and coach for remainder of game.
- **10/11U:** No balks will be called unless deliberately deceptive.
- **Innings played:**
Pool Play: 5 Innings (minimum 4)
 - No new inning after 1:30 of play.
 - Game ends in a tie after 1:30 time limit expires, provided bottom half of an inning is completed, or not necessary if home team is ahead (min. 4 inning game still applies).**Bracket Play:** 6 Innings (minimum 5)
 - No new inning after 1:45 of play unless game is tied.
 - Time limit waived in championship game of all classes, excluding the consolation championship.
- **10 Run Rule** applies in all games after 4.5 Innings (if home team is ahead) or 5 innings (if visiting team is ahead).
- **Around the Horn After an Out:** Not permitted.
- **Substitution/Courtesy Runner:** See Complete Rules Handout provided by MSF.
- **Stealing/Baserunning/Dropped Third Strike:** See complete rules handout provided by MSF.
- **Re-entry:** Teams must use free substitution and bat entire bench. Any pitcher can re-enter at any time.
- **Scorecards:** Must be complete with final score and winning team noted. Players' first & last names, and uniform #'s must be present. Turn in to registration table.

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