



Adult Game Coordinator Requirement

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Summary

What GLL divisions does this apply to? : All. GLL solely relies on volunteer youth and adults to umpire A, AA, and AAA games. Managers and Coaches are responsible for umpire selection from pool of trained youth umpire or trained volunteer umpire from team’s parent pool. Managers and coaches are also required to assign a single adult to be the game coordinator when youth umpires are exclusively used for game.

For Majors and above, GLL UIC is responsible for umpire assignments and game coordinator requirements.

When: No adult umpire is on the field and game is umpired by youth umpire(s) only.

Who: Any one adult. Must be present (at all times) during the entire game. Must not be a manager or coach actively coaching that game.

Why: To oversee the conduct of all players, managers, coaches, spectators, and umpires in the game. This person is there as an advocate for the youth umpire(s).

Where should they stand/seat: Located behind the game field fence in spectator area or be seated in the stands. They should have a clear view of the field and activities within. May not leave the field area until the game is over.

What is there to do? : Attend the home plate meeting at the beginning of the game, introduce yourself to managers and umpire(s), monitor the game, join in the conversation during an appeal by manager or coach, and support our youth umpires.

Attire: No official attire required. Be presentable.

Authority: Documented in [details](#) section below.

Game Coordinator Assignment: Both team managers and coaches should communicate with each other before the game day. If you have only youth umpires then select an adult to be your Game Coordinator for that game. Insure that adult is there for the plate meeting (10 minutes prior to game start time).

Details

9.03(d) if no adult umpire is available for a game, and non-adult umpires are used exclusively for that game, the local Little League **must** assign an adult as Game Coordinator, or the game **cannot** be played. The Game Coordinator **must not be** a manager or coach of either team in the game, and cannot be assigned as Game Coordinator for more than one game at a time. The Game Coordinator's duties shall be:

(1) **To be included** in the pre-game (plate) meeting as noted in Rule 4.01.

(2) **To remain** at the game at all times, including between half-innings, in a position to see all actions on the field and in close proximity to the field (not in any enclosure). If, for some reason, the Game Coordinator is not present or is unable to perform his/her duties for any reason, the game must be suspended until the Game Coordinator returns, or until a new adult Game Coordinator is present and assumes the duties of Game Coordinator for the remainder of the game.

(3) **To oversee** the conduct of all players, managers, coaches and umpires in the game;

(4) **To have the authority** to disqualify any player, coach, manager, or substitute for objecting to the decisions of an umpire, for unsportsmanlike conduct or language, or for any of the reasons enumerated in these Playing Rules, and to eject such disqualified person from the playing field. If the Game Coordinator disqualifies a player while a play is in progress, the disqualification shall not take effect until no further action is possible in that play;

(5) **To have the sole ability** to judge as to whether and when play shall be suspended during a game because of inclement weather conditions or the unfit condition of the playing field; as to whether and when play shall be resumed after such suspension; and as to whether and when a game shall be terminated after such suspension. Said Game Coordinator shall not call the game until at least thirty minutes after play as suspended. The Game Coordinator may continue suspension as long as there is any chance to resume play. (This supersedes Rule 3.10.)