

2018 NTNLL Major Rules

1. **CALL-UPS: {must be league age 11 from the Major Division with approval from the VP or Player Agent}**
 - a. Must play outfield first and cannot pitch or catch. Cannot play infield unless all outfield spots are filled with call-ups.
 - b. Must bat last in the batting order.
 - c. A player called across is limited to 2x per individual per season and 1x in playoffs.

2. **PITCHING RULES REVIEW: (please read rule book and provided attachment)**
 - a. Pitchers must wear a batting helmet during warm-ups.
 - b. Visits to the mound – 2 visits per pitcher allowed with a 30 second time limit. If there is a 3rd visit, the pitcher must be pulled.
 - c. BALK – one warning per pitcher
 - d. PITCH COUNT – Managers must keep pitch count and report to the VP of Majors via text or email by noon the following day.
 - e. A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches cannot catch for remainder of day.
 - f. Each manager will be required to report the names of the opposing team's pitchers to the VP by noon the following day
 - g. If the pitch counts are not reported by the manager or an assigned individual then each of the pitchers reported by the opposing team will be assigned 85 pitches. Those pitchers will then be required to 4 calendar days of rest

3. **CATCHER RULES:**
 - a. If a catcher catches more than 3 complete innings, he cannot pitch for the remainder of game.
 - b. Catching one pitch, constitutes one inning caught
 - c. Catchers **MUST** wear athletic cups and supporters

4. **PLAYER BATTING AND PLAYING TIME REQUIREMENTS**
 - a. The batting order must be continuous.
 - b. All players must play a minimum of 3 defensive innings.

- a. 5 run rule per inning with exception to the 7th inning
- b. 10 run mercy rule after 5 innings of play. 4 ½ if the home team is in the lead

6. GAME PLAY

- a. No more than 1 Minute for teams to switch from batting to fielding
- b. CATCHER SPEED UP RULE- it is recommended that teams use the last batted out to run for the catcher when there are 2 outs. This should not delay the game. The runner must be ready to take the catchers place on the base before a timeout is granted
- c. There is no time limit to games after June 29th with exception to Saturdays.
- d. Saturdays game have a 2 hour time limit with no new inning after 2 hours

7. GENERAL

- a. Follow 50/70 rules all year PER THE LL RULE BOOK!
- b. The winning team must report the score by noon the following day to the VP via text or email
- c. It is strongly recommended that all players wear athletic cups and supporters
- d. Rain Outs- please check the website for rescheduled games
- e. Check the NTNLL website daily for updates