

N.L.B.S.A. Policies and Procedures



Policy Number: A-5	Subject: Game Cancellation and Rescheduling Policy	Effective: 1/1/2011 Revised: N/A	Pages: 1 of 1
INTENT:	<p>To provide general guidelines on the Organization's policies toward cancelling and rescheduling all NLBSA games.</p> <p>NLBSA needs to ensure orderly league and park operations such as scheduling umpires, ensuring field preparation, and maintain concession services.</p>		
ELIGIBILITY:	Any game officially scheduled by NLBSA.		
Game Cancellation and Rescheduling Policy	In order to maintain orderly NLBSA league / park operations and a single path of communication, only the NLBSA President or Vice President of the respective leagues is allowed to cancel and reschedule games.		
Process	<p><u>Weather-Related Cancelations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decisions to cancel games due to inclement weather conditions will attempt to be made 60-90 minutes before game time. (Rapidly developing storm situations may occur and require last minute decisions) • The NLBSA President or Vice President (or their designated representative) will assess the field conditions and make a determination as to whether or not the game will be played/delayed. • If there is rain during a game, at the umpires judgment, the umpire can call for up to a 30 minute delay. If the rain persists, than the President or VP will make a decision to cancel the games. • If an umpire or NLBSA board member sees lightning, there is a minimum of a 20 minute delay from the last seen lightning strike. Once the delay becomes over 30 minutes, the President or VP will made the decisions to cancel the games. • Once a cancellation/delay decision has been reached, NLBSA will immediately communicate the cancelation on the NLBSA website. Additional electronic and/or telephone methods may be used as well. • The NLBSA President or Vice President will determine the official date to reschedule the game. Once the game is rescheduled, it becomes official and must be played as part of the league schedule. <p><u>Non-Weather Related Cancelations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No cancelations/rescheduling will be allowed due to outside conflicts without prior approval from the VP of the league. • Teams are to play all scheduled games with the players on their roster • If a team is not able to field a team with players on their roster, they may "call up" a player from the Division below. See League Rules 		
Penalty for Unapproved Cancellation / Rescheduled games.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The coach who decides to cancel or reschedule the game will receive a forfeit. • If both coaches agree to reschedule a game which has not been officially canceled/reschedule above, both teams will receive a forfeit (regardless of any score in the unofficially rescheduled game). 		

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