

YOUTH LITTLE LEAGUE DEVELOPMENTAL BASEBALL

League rules and guidelines

Age Eligibility

Little League age **9-12 years old** for 2026.

Field Dimensions

9-12u will play **46/60**.

Dome Specific Rules

1. If a batted ball hits the top of the dome in the infield, it is a **foul ball**.
 - If a batted ball hits the dome after the infield, umpire discretion will be used to determine if it is a **home run or not**. Balls hitting the back of the dome in the air are home runs (above a determined point in pre-game). Any bouncing ball in play that hits the dome in the outfield is to be played live.
2. All spectators must stay off of the fields at all times. Teams are to leave a walkway behind the dugouts so there is no interference with the game.

Age Specific Rules (9u-12u)

1. There is **no leading**. Players may steal once the ball has crossed the plate. If the runner leaves early, the runner goes back to the base.
2. There are **no balks**.
3. Pitchers are allowed **40 pitches or 2 innings**, whatever comes first.

League Format

1. All games will be **1 hour and 20 minutes drop dead**. No standings are kept in the developmental league.

2. Each team will play **8 games, 2 on each Saturday (12/6-12/27)**.
3. There is a **3hr window** for the two games and warm-up.

Lineups/Courtesy

1. Teams must **bat everyone continuously** and there would be **free substitution**.
2. A **courtesy runner** is available for the pitcher and catcher, as well as injuries. It will be the **last batter in the lineup** until there is an out. (Last batted out will then be the courtesy runner).
3. **ONLY PLAYERS ON THE SUBMITTED ROSTER MAY BE IN THE DUGOUTS**. Injuries in a continuous lineup will not be out.

Ejections/Forfeits

There is **ZERO tolerance** for unprofessional behavior by parents, coaches, and players. Players will be suspended for at least the rest of the day. Coaches and parents that are ejected will be banned from attending any future games and must leave the dome immediately.

Time Outs/Mound Visits/Pitching Rules

1. **2 mound visits per game** (unless changing pitchers).
2. All games are on a time-limit. Coaches shall not purposefully waste time with mound visits and time-outs. Teams are required to have a coach or another player ready to warm-up the pitcher immediately following an inning.
3. Pitchers will be given **5 warm-up pitches per inning** (8 when first entering).

Bats

9U-12U - USA

Rules Not Covered

Any rules that are not covered and need clarification will be decided by the director at that field.

Important Information for Individuals

- No metal cleats, seeds, or gum inside the dome.
- No outside drinks are allowed in the dome - player drinks ONLY.

- Upon entering the dome, there will be a path to the seats to your right. Please walk BEHIND the bleachers and dugouts if you are walking to the further field.
- At no time are parents and other spectators allowed in the dugouts or on the field.
- All seating is along the foul line- no one is permitted to sit between the two foul lines.
- Spectators should not enter the dome until the game before them has finished.
- All spectators should leave the dome area when their team is not currently playing.
- There is a concession stand with a few tables in the waiting area when you enter the building.