

12U EHLL Baseball Rules

12U is Little League Baseball. We generally play with the same rules that you see on ESPN during the LL World Series. With some exceptions below.

Field Dimensions

- The bases will be 60 feet apart, mirroring the 10U & 12U field.
- The mound is 46 feet from the plate.
- If the Field has a mound, even if movable, pitchers may pitch off the mound.

Positions

- In the field, teams may elect to have a field of 9, 8, or 7. 9 players is maximum (real baseball)
- No shifts are allowed (meaning there must be two infielders on both side of second base).
- If a team has less than 9 players, they do not need to take an out for each missing person in the lineup.

Baserunning Rules:

- There are no leadoffs. If a player is off the base before the pitch crosses home plate, the umpire shall call that player out.
- There are no pickoffs.
- A player may only “steal” a base after the pitch crosses home plate.

Pitching/Field Dimensions

- Bases shall be 60 feet apart
- The mound/rubber shall be 46 feet from the plate.

Games/Innings:

- If a team scores five runs in an inning, the inning is over, and the opposing team then shall bat.
- This rule does not apply in the last inning.

Specific Equipment Rules

- All players must bat with a legal Little League Bat (marked with “USA Baseball”).
- All batters and baserunners must be wearing a helmet.

Regular Season Run Rules:

1. Run rules of 15 after 3; 12 after 4; and 10 after 5.
2. One Hour 45 minute time limit. No new innings after the time limit.

Playoff Rules

3. Games will consist of 6 innings, no time limit, but run rules of 15 after 3; 12 after 4; and 10 after 5.

Overall:

- There is no bunting allowed.
- There are no lead-offs
- There are no pick-offs
- There is no stealing of home allowed.
- There are no balks.

NEW RULES FOR THIS AGE GROUP

- There is an infield-fly rule.
- There is a Drop-Third Strike rule.

Pitch Counts:

- Are strictly enforced. Please refer to the LL Rulebook (free download on Apple & Android) for specific counts/days rest.
- If a player is found to have pitched more than the Little League pitch counts allow, the Coach shall be immediately suspended and only potentially reinstated after a meeting with their local representative and League President.

All other Little League Rules Apply (No Leadoffs, No pickoffs, etc.).