

Points of emphasis 2025

This is a non-sub league. Players who are going to miss a game or multiple games may not send a replacement. All substitutions will be made through each teams existing team roster.

Substitution Rule

If a team falls below the nine player minimum on a given day the opposing team will supply the catcher. That player will catch only and not be placed in the batting order. The ninth position in the batting order will be recorded as an out starting with the second inning.

8 players – opponents provide catcher

7 players – opponents provide catcher, pick up one player. The replacement player should be comparable to and play the missing players position in the field.

Less than 7 players a forfeit (score of 9-0) will be recorded and a scrimmage game will be played.

Substitute procedures to follow:

Call the sub list first, if none are available, pick up one player from another team. Place your team (7 players) in their regular positions (catcher spot not open). The open spot in the field is where the sub plays.

An intentional walk will not be permitted to the #8 batter in order to get to the automatic out in the #9 spot. The pitcher must throw a strike to the 8th batter.

During tournament play if a team drops below 8 players a replacement player may be added from another team. That player should be comparable to the missing player and play the missing player position in the field. The replacement player will bat in the eighth spot in the batting order. Opponents provide the catcher. The ninth spot in the batting order is an out.

A coach is the only player permitted to address the umpire during the game. All decisions made by the umpire that are judgement calls will stand. Judgement calls may not be challenged. If a coach believes a rule has been misapplied by an umpire they may ask for a correction to be made. If it is determined by a league official that an error has been made by the umpire it will be corrected.

A courtesy runner is a “courtesy” for an injured or physically limited player who has safely reached base. It is not intended to be used as a competitive advantage by adding speed to the bases. The courtesy runner must replace that player prior to the first pitch to the following batter.

Now for the explanation as to who the courtesy runner will be:

All players that are considered courtesy runners must be posted on the lineup sheet prior to the game time. Each courtesy runner will be permitted to run three times during a nine inning game and two times during a seven inning game. Team managers must indicate which players are injured or physically limited and will need a courtesy runner prior to the start of the game. The only exception to this will be if a player is injured during a game and can't run following the injury.