

BASEBALL Points of Interest	Reference	8/9/10	9/10/11	Majors	Intermediates	Juniors	Seniors
Mandatory Play Requirement (MPR)	TR-9; p-192/194	13 or 14 Players when lineups official -> One At Bat; 12 or fewer players when lineups official -> One At Bat and Six CONSECUTIVE Defensive Outs				No Mandatory Play Requirement	
MPR At Bat Defined	TR-9 e; p-194	"Bat at least one time" means a player enters the batter's box with no count and completes the time at bat by (1) being retired, (2) being retired as a batter/runner or runner, (3) scoring, (4) being on base when the half-inning or the game ends OR (5) being called out by an umpire (Batting Out of Turn or Use of Illegal Bat)				No Mandatory Play Requirement	
Mandatory Play Management	TR-9 a; p-192/193	After four innings (five in Jr/Sr), the UIC and Scorekeeper will inform each Manager of any players not yet meeting MPR for that game. Managers must act to enter players before a violation could occur in a regulation, non-shortened game. Failure to comply will result in immediate ejection and suspension as directed by WP ITC				No Mandatory Play Requirement	
Mandatory Play Conference Directions from UIC to Managers	TR-9 a; p-192/193 12 or fewer Players	Visitors , enter all required substitutes defensively before the first pitch in the bottom of the 4 th (5 th Jr/Sr) inning in batting slots so that all substitutes bat within the next six batters; Home , enter all required substitutes defensively before the first pitch in the top of the 5 th (6 th Jr/Sr) inning in batting slots so that all substitutes bat within the next three batters				No Mandatory Play Requirement	
	TR-9 a; p-193 13 or 14 Players	Visitors , enter all subs as one of the first 3 batters of 6 th (7 th Jr/Sr) inning; one at a time, as they come to bat; Home , enter all substitutes as one of the first 3 batters of 5 th inning; one at a time, as they come to bat					
Use of an Illegal Bat	TR-3 b; p-184 Rule 6.06 d, p-131	From entering the Batter's Box to next batter entering the Batter's Box->Protest valid. Manager's Option: Take the Out on the Batter or take the Play. MANDATORY: Batter/Manager ejected and lose position of one adult base coach					
Bat/Smooth, rounded stick; Pine Tar Prohibited; Non-wood bat must have 10"-16" non-slip grip	Rule 1.10; p-89/91	Max 33" length/2 5/8" diameter with USA Cert marking. No material composition marking required.			Max 34" length/2 5/8" diameter w/USA Cert mark or BBCOR = 0.50 w/material mark	36" length/2 5/8" diam w/BBCOR = 0.50; Material/drop -3 markings	
Third Strike Not Caught (TSNC)	TR-3 c; p-184	No advance allowed In accordance with Rules 6.05 (b) (2), p-128; and 6.09 (b), p-136; a Batter may advance on a TSNC					
Special Pinch Runner (SPR)	TR-3 d; p-184; TR-10 g; p-195	Twice/game, once/inning, a Player not in the lineup may run for another Player. The Player run for may be SPR'd only once per game. Player SPR'ing may do so as long as that Player is out of the lineup					
Maximum Pitches in a Day	TR-4 d; p-185/186 TR-4 d; p-189	Limits by AGE , not Division ; 8 YO = 50; 9 or 10 YO = 75; 11 or 12 YO = 85; 13 or 14 YO = 95				13--16 YO = 95	
Max Pitches Exception	TR-4 d; p-186/187 TR-4 d; p-189	If a Pitcher reaches the Maximum Pitches allowed per day, the Pitcher may continue until the Batter is retired, reaches base safely or the inning or the game ends. The Pitcher must then be removed					
Days Rest	TR-4 e; p-186/187 TR-4 e; p-189/190	1-20 -> No Rest; 21-35 -> 1 day; 36-50 -> 2 days; 51-65 -> 3 days; more than 65 -> 4 days				1-30 -> No Rest; 31-45 -> 1 day; 46-60 -> 2 days; 61-75 -> 3 days; >75 -> 4 days	
Days Rest Exception	TR-4 e; p-186/187 TR-4 e; p-189/190	If a Pitcher crosses a Threshold while facing a Batter, the Pitcher may continue until the Batter is retired, reaches base safely or the inning/game ends. If the Pitcher is removed before facing the next Batter, then the lower Days Rest requirement applies. No pitcher may pitch on three consecutive days, regardless of pitches thrown on two previous days					
Clarification to Exception	WR Approved Ruling	If the Batter is replaced during a Pitch Count Exception period, this does NOT count as pitching to another Batter					
Exception to Exception	Williamsport FAQ	If a Pitcher crosses a Threshold while facing a Batter, and the above EXCEPTIONS do NOT apply (Pitcher is injured/ejected), then the ACTUAL Pitch Count determines Days Rest required					
Catcher -> Pitcher	TR-4 a; p-185 & 188	If a Catcher catches more than three innings, that Player may not Pitch that DAY. One pitch = inning					
Catcher -> Pitcher -> Catcher	TR-4 a; p-185 & 188	Catch for three innings or less and then pitch 20 or less; return to Catcher is allowed				Same w/30-pitch limit	
Catcher -> Pitcher -> Catcher Exception	TR-4 a; p-185 & 188	When a Pitcher reaches the 20 pitch limit, the Pitcher may continue until that Batter is retired, reaches base safely or the inning/game ends. If then removed, that Player may return as a Catcher				Same w/30-pitch limit	
Pitcher -> Catcher	TR-4 d; p-186 & 189	If a Pitcher delivers more than 40 pitches in a day, then that Player may not Catch that day					
Pitcher -> Catcher Exception	TR-4 d; p-186 & 189	When a Pitcher reaches the 40-pitch limit, the Pitcher may continue until that Batter is retired, reaches base safely or the inning/game ends. If then removed, that Player may catch that day					
Pitching Two Games/Day	TR-4 f; p-187 TR-4 f; p-190	Not Permitted; 12 YOs playing as Juniors or Seniors may not pitch in two games/day				Yes, if 30 pitches or fewer in first game	
Pitching Two Games/Day Exception	TR-4 f; p-187 TR-4 f; p-190	Not Permitted				If a Pitcher reaches 30-pitch limit in the first game while facing a Batter, the Pitcher may continue until the Batter is retired, reaches base safely or the inning/game ends	
Susp Game Next Day Pitching	TR-4 g; p-187 & 190	Pitcher continues in a resumed game, if Pitch Count <41 pitches. If PC ≤20, PC starts over, if PC >20, PC resumes				Same, except <61 and 30 pitch reset	
Substitution/Re-entry	TR-10; p-194/196 TR-10 i; p-196	All changes are straight line. A STARTER may be removed before completing Mandatory Play, but upon re-entry, must meet AB and/or six CONSECUTIVE Defensive Outs. Any Non-Starting SUB must meet full Mandatory Play before being removed. Multiple substitutions may enter/re-enter on the same line				Starters/DH may re-enter one time in the same batting slot	
Lack of Eligible Substitutes	TR-10 a; p-194	If a Team runs out of eligible SUBS, the opposing Manager chooses a player to re-enter the game. Ejected Players may not re-enter					
Pitchers Returning to Mound	TR-10 c; p-194/195 TR-10 h; p-195/196	Not Permitted if removed from the Mound. Special Case, TR-10 c, Note 2 allows return, if Pitcher has met MPR, was not removed from the Mound and was batted for a player also meeting MPR			If the Pitcher is removed from the Mound and remains in the game defensively, that Pitcher may return once/game		
Special Case for Visiting Team with 13 or 14 Players	TR-10 c NOTE 2; p-195	With 13 or 14 eligible players, the Visitors may substitute a Batter for the starting Pitcher in the top of the first inning. The starting Pitcher must face the first Batter later in the first inning (this doesn't violate Rule 3.05 a)				Does not apply	
Making Changes	TR-10 d; p-195	Offensive changes while Player is at bat or on base; Defensive changes on defense					
Charged Visits	TR-7; p-191/192	Def: 3/game, 2/inn; Off: 1 visit/ inn	Allowed Defensive: 2/game; 1/inning--next visit, the Pitcher must be removed. If the Pitcher returns, visit count continues. One Offensive visit/inning				
Charged Visits Clarified	Instructor Comment	Visits to make changes, talk w/Umpire or check an injured Player are not charged. A visit to an offensive/defensive Player for any other reason is charged. When a Defensive charged visit occurs, the Offensive Manager/Coach may visit with that Team and not be charged a visit, provided the uncharged visit ends when the charged visit does					
Ten Run/15 Run Rule	TR-12; p-196	10 Run lead after 4 or 3 1/2 innings or 15 Run lead after 3 or 2 1/2 innings ends the game			10 Run lead after 5 or 4 1/2 innings or 15 Run lead after 4 or 3 1/2 innings ends the game		
Suspended Games	TR-11, p-196; TR-13 b; p-197	Any game where a winner cannot be determined continues from the point of suspension. Games where the Visitors take the lead and the Home team does not complete their half inning NEVER revert, but suspend at that point to continue later					
Ending Regulation Games	TR-13; p-195/196	With Regulation Innings, games called for NATURAL causes are over, if a winner can be determined. Games where the Visitors take the lead, but the Home Team does not complete its half inning NEVER revert, but are suspended, then resumed from the point of suspension					
Extra Inning Tie Breaker	TR-14; p-197	At the second extra inning, the Batter scheduled to bat last that inning will start the inning as a Runner at second base. Sub/SPR allowed.					
Number of Coaches Allowed	Tourn Organization	With 12 or more eligible players when lineups are official, one Manager and two Coaches are allowed. With 11 or fewer players, one Manager and one Coach are allowed.					
Curfew by Rule	Tourn Organization	No new inning may start after midnight local time			No new inning after 0030 local time		No new > 0100 local
Protest (Rule or Substitution)	Tournament Play	Must be lodged/resolved before next pitch or play. Illegal substitution for MPR must still be resolved, regardless of when discovered. Call Region/WP for assistance in the reset					
Protest (Player, Pitcher or MPR)	Tournament Play	Player (Age, Residence or Eligibility)->Notify TD and call Region/WP; Pitcher (TR-4 violation)->Notify TD and call Region/WP. Penalty at WP discretion					
Ejected/Suspended Persons	TR-4; p-188/190; TR-9; p-194; TR-17; p-197/198	Player/Adult presence at game site before, during or after is prohibited. No communications w/anyone at game site, including pre- and post-game activities					

Point of Interest	Reference (Baseball Rule Book)	Additional Information
Replacement of Players or Adults	Tournament Rules and Guidelines	Replacement of a player or adult is permanent. TDs may authorize temporary replacement of adults for a justifiable reason (on affidavit)
Catcher's Mitt	Rule 1.12; p-92	MUST be a Catcher's Mitt of ANY size and shape to protect the catcher's hand
Unannounced Subs	Rule 3.08 (a), (b); p-109	Actions by LEGAL unannounced subs are legal
Adults Warming Up Pitchers	Rule 3.09; p-109	Nowhere, no how, NOT EVER at or around the game site
Photographers on the Field	Rule 3.15; p-110	Allowed, if approved by the TD; managed by the Crew Chief
Electronic Communication	Rule 3.17; p-110/111	DO NOT allow coaching/scouting from outside sources. Pitch Count/Scorekeeping apps are allowed. No digital two-way comms
Two Base Coaches	Rule 4.05; p-113/114	Base coach positions are MANDATORY; no swapping from first to third during the inning
Adult Required in Dugout	Rule 4.05 (b); p-114	Be flexible on dead ball situations where the adult is making changes
Actions Required after an Ejection	Rule 4.07; p-114	Immediate departure; be alert for players under 18 YO; may remain in dugout if under adult supervision and under control
Less Than Nine Players	Rule 4.17; p-121; TR-10 a; p-194	Must have nine eligible players to start or continue a Tournament game. Opposing manager selects player for re-entry, if necessary

SOFTBALL Points of Interest	Reference	8/9/10	9/10/11	Majors	Juniors	Seniors
Mandatory Play	TR-9, p-180/181	13 or 14 Players when lineups official -> One At Bat; 12 or less players when lineups official -> One At Bat and Six CONSECUTIVE Defensive Outs			No Mandatory Play Requirement	
MPR At Bat Defined	TR-9 e; p-182	"Bat at least one time" means a player enters the batter's box with no count t and completes the time at bat by (1) being retired, (2) being retired as a batter/runner or runner, (3) scoring, (4) being on base when the half-inning or the game ends OR (5) being called out by an umpire (Batting Out of Turn or Use of Illegal Bat)			No Mandatory Play Requirement	
Mandatory Play Management	TR-9 a; p-180/181	After four innings (five in Int/Jr), the UIC and Scorekeeper will inform each Manager of any players not yet meeting MPR for that game. Managers must act to enter players before a violation could occur in a standard game. Failure to comply will result in immediate ejection and suspension as directed by WP ITC			No Mandatory Play Requirement	
Mandatory Play Conference Directions from UIC to Managers	TR-9 a; p-180 12 or fewer Players	Visitors , enter all required substitutes defensively before the first pitch in the bottom of the 4 th inning and batting within the next six batters; Home , enter all required substitutes defensively before the first pitch in the top of the 5th inning batting within the next three batters			No Mandatory Play Requirement	
	TR-9 a; p-182 13 or 14 Players	Visitors , enter all substitutes as one of the first 3 batters of 6th (7th Jr/Sr) inning; one at a time, as they come to bat Home , enter all substitutes as one of the first 3 batters of 5th (6th Jr/Sr) inning; one at a time, as they come to bat			No Mandatory Play Requirement	
Illegal Bat	TR-3 b; p-176 Rule 6.06 d; p-127	From entering the Batter's Box to next batter entering the Batter's Box->Protest valid. Manager's Option: Take the Out on the Batter or take the Play. MANDATORY: Batter/Manager ejected and lose position of one adult base coach.				
Bat/Smooth, rounded stick; Pine Tar Prohibited; Non-wood bat must have 10"-16" non-slip grip	Rule 1.10; p-85/86	SOFTBALL bat, Max 33" length/2 1/4" diameter. Made of wood or material acceptable to LL. Non-wood bat must have sleeve 10"-16" and BPF=1.20 marking		Same, with maximum length of 34"		
Special Pinch Runner (SPR)	TR-3 e; p-176; Rule 7.14; p-143	Twice/game, once/inning, a Player not in the lineup may run for a Player. The Player removed may be SPR'd for only once per game. Player SPR'ing may do so as long as that Player is out of the lineup				
Maximum Pitchers per Game	TR-4 a; p-177	Any player may pitch. There is no limit to the number of Pitchers per game.				
Pitching Inning Defined	TR-4 c; p-177	A single pitch constitutes an inning			No limits on pitching	
Maximum Innings in a Day	TR-4 f; p-177	Limited to 12 innings per day			No limits on pitching	
Pitchers Returning to Mound	TR-4 d; p-177; TR-4 c; p-179	A Pitcher remaining in the game, but moving to another position, may return to pitch anytime in the rest of the game, but only once in the inning removed			Same, plus a Pitcher removed from the game, may return once/inning provided no Sub, Visits or MPR violation occurs	
Days' Rest	TR-4 e, g, h; p-179	If 7 innings or more are pitched in a day, one day rest is required; If 6 innings or fewer are pitched in a day, no rest is required			No Days' Rest limits	
Pitching Two Games/Day	TR-4 f; p-177	Allowed, provided no more than 12 innings cumulative in a day			Allowed	
Susp Game Next Day Pitching	TR-4 h Exception 2; p-177/178	Pitcher of record may continue in a resumed game, provided no more than 12 innings pitched in TOTAL game			No pitching limits	
Special Case for Visiting Team with 13 or 14 Players	TR-10 c NOTE 2; p-182/183	With 13 or 14 eligible players, the Visitors may substitute a Batter for the starting Pitcher in the top of the first inning. The starting Pitcher must face the first Batter later in the first inning (this doesn't violate Rule 3.05 a)				
Charged Visits	TR-7; p-179/180	Def: 3/game, 2/inn; Off: 1 visit/inn	Allowed Defensive: 2/game; 1/inning--next visit, the Pitcher must be removed. If the Pitcher returns, visit count continues. One Offensive visit/inning			
Charged Visits Clarified	Instructor Comment	Visits to make changes, talk w/Umpire or check an injured Player are not charged. When a Defensive charged visit occurs, the Offensive Manager/Coach may visit with that Team and not be charged a visit, provided the uncharged visit ends when the charged visit does				
Substitution/Re-entry	TR-10; 182/184	All changes are straight line. A STARTER may be removed before completing Mandatory Play, but upon re-entry, must meet AB and/or six CONSECUTIVE Defensive Outs. Any Non-Starting SUB must meet full Mandatory Play before being removed. Multiple substitutions may enter/re-enter on the same line.			Starters/DH may re-enter one time in the same batting slot.	
Substitution/Re-entry for Pitcher	TR-10 NOTE 2; p-182/183	A Pitcher who has met MP may be removed for a substitute Batter and re-enter the game as a Pitcher once in a game provided the Pitcher was not removed from the mound.			Same without MP requirement.	
Special Case for Visiting Team with 13 or 14 Players	TR-10 NOTE 2; p-182/183	With 13/14 eligible players, the Visiting Team may substitute a Batter for the starting Pitcher in the top of the first inning provided the starting Pitcher faces the first Batter in the bottom of the first inning (no violation of Rule 3.05 a).				
Lack of Eligible Substitutes	TR-10 a; p-182	If a Team runs out of eligible SUBS, the opposing Manager chooses a player to re-enter the game. Ejected Players may not re-enter.				
Making Changes	TR-10 d; p-183	Offensive changes while Player is at bat or on base; Defensive changes on defense.				
Multiple Games in a Day	Tourn Organization, Schedules	Teams may play two doubleheaders within seven day period.			Teams may participate in a maximum of three games in a day.	
Ten Run/15 Run Rule	TR-12; p-184	10 Run lead after 4 or 3 1/2 innings or 15 Run lead after 3 or 2 1/2 innings ends the game			10 Run lead after 5 or 4 1/2 innings or 15 Run lead after 4 or 3 1/2 innings ends the game	
Suspended Games	TR-11; p-184; TR-13 b; 184/185	Any game where a winner cannot be determined continues from the point of suspension. Games where the Visitors take the lead and the Home team does not complete their half inning NEVER revert, but are suspended at that point				
Ending Regulation Games	TR-13 b; p-184/185	With Regulation Innings, games called for NATURAL causes are over, if a winner can be determined. If Visitors take the lead, but the Home Team does not complete a half inning NEVER revert, but are suspended				
Extra Inning Tie Breaker	TR-14; p-185	At the second extra inning, the Batter scheduled to bat last that inning will start the inning as a Runner at second base. Sub/SPR allowed.				
Curfew by Rule	Tourn Organization	No new inning after midnight local time			No new > 0030 local	No new > 0100 local
Number of Coaches Allowed	Tourn Organization	With 12 or more eligible players when lineups are official, one Manager and two Coaches are allowed. With 11 or fewer players, one Manager and one Coach are allowed.				
Protest (Rule or Substitution)	Conditions of Tournament Play	Must be lodged/resolved before next pitch or play. Illegal substitution for MPR must still be resolved, regardless of when discovered. Call Region/WP for assistance in the reset				
Protest (Player, Pitcher or MPR)	Conditions of Tournament Play	Player (Age, Residence or Eligibility)->Notify TD and call Region/WP; Pitcher (TR-4 violation)->Notify TD and call Region/WP. Penalty at WP discretion				
Ejected/Suspended Persons	TR-4 i; p-178; TR-9 d; p-181; TR-17; p-185	Player/Adult presence at game site before, during or after is prohibited. No communications w/anyone at game site, including pre- and post-game activities. Issues must be annotated on affidavit				

Point of Interest	Reference (Softball Rule Book)	Additional Information
Replacement of Players or Adults	Tournament Rules and Guidelines	Replacement of a player or adult is permanent. TDs may authorize temporary replacement of adults for a justifiable reason (on affidavit)
Catcher's Mitt	Rule 1.12; p-88	MUST be a glove/mitt of ANY size and shape to protect the catcher's hand
Unannounced Subs	Rule 3.08 (a), (b); p-105	Actions by LEGAL unannounced subs are legal
Adults Warming Up Pitchers	Rule 3.09; p-105	Nowhere, no how, NOT EVER at or around the game site
Photographers on the Field	Rule 3.15; p-106	Allowed, if approved by the TD; managed by the Crew Chief
Electronic Communication	Rule 3.17; p-106/107	DO NOT allow coaching/scouting from outside sources. Pitch Count/Scorekeeping apps are allowed. No digital two-way comms
Two Base Coaches	Rule 4.05; p-109/110	Base coach positions are MANDATORY; no swapping from first to third during the inning
Adult Required in Dugout	Rule 4.05 (b); p-109	Be flexible on dead ball situations where the adult is making changes
Actions Required after an Ejection	Rule 4.07; p-110	Immediate departure; be alert for players under 18 YO; may remain in dugout if under adult supervision and under control
Less Than Nine Players	Rule 4.17; p-117; TR-10 (a); p-182	Must have nine eligible players to start or continue a game. Opposing manager selects player for re-entry, if necessary