

Umpire's Game Checklist

- Arrive at ball park by 5:45pm or 6:15pm for June games
- Game time 6:00pm or 6:30pm in June
- Walk field and make sure safe
- Home team is to be in 3rd base dugout
- Home team is to keep official scorebook and pitch count. Compare with opposing team at end of game.
- Home team will provide 1 new baseball and 1 good used ball
- Home Plate Meeting with coaches 5 minutes before game time. Make sure lineups are in scorebooks (names & #'s)
- Sign "Pre-Game Inspection Check List" sheets
- Remind teams to clean dugout and area after game.
- Keep game running smoothly and quickly. (follow warm up rules)
- Do not allow coaches, players or spectators to influence, cause any problems or interfere with game or umpires decisions. NO TOLERANCE
- **Coaches are RESPONSIBLE** for their team and spectators behavior. If unruly player or spectator will be asked to leave and have 5 minutes to adhere. (NO TOLERANCE)
- Report all unruly problems or if you need help on a decision call Joe Belnap 206-5940
- Make sure that both scorebooks are compared and signed
- Remind home team to email scores to scores@hillcrestyouthbaseball.com
- Return umpire gear to Joe Belnap 206-5940

Game Rules

- There is "No Re-entry" allowed for any pitcher. 3.03
 - Follow all pitch count rules pg34 & 35 in rule book. (check score books if needed)
 - All teams will bat the roster during league play. Free defensive substitution except for pitcher
 - Pitchers must be warmed up by player with proper gear between innings or in bull pen. (mask and protective cup) pg. T24
 - "Warm Up Rules" Pitchers are allowed 8 warm up pitches between innings this should not consume more than 1 minute of time. 8.03
 - A 9 yr old or younger in Minors and an 11 yr old or younger in Majors must pitch to at least 3 complete outs or 6 batters in every game. It does not matter which innings that they pitch in. If a completed game is called in the 4th or later innings because of darkness, time limit, etc. and the 9 or 11 yr old did not pitch their required quota then this team will take a loss.
- Majors consist of Mainly 11,12 yr olds but may have 10 yr olds. Minors consist of All 9 yr olds and most of the 10 yr olds
- No "ON DECK" batters allowed. 1.08
 - All players bat. (if player leaves or is injured during a game there are no penalties unless the line-up falls below 9 then there will be an out for every time that he/she would have been up in the line-up)

- Minors only. Maximum of 5 runs per inning unless a Home Run is hit over the fence, then all runs score.
- Mercy Rule - If a team is ahead by 10 runs or more after 4 complete innings of play or 3 1/2 if home team is ahead, the official game score and win/loss shall be recorded, but the game shall continue, weather permitting, until 6 innings or the 2 hour time limit has expired.
- Complete game shall be no less than 3-1/2 innings.
- There is a 2-hour time limit for every game.
- If game is called because of darkness, time or other reason and a full inning wasn't completed the official score will go back to last completed inning.
- A new inning shall not start after 115 minutes into the game. (5 minutes until 2 hour time limit)
- If in the judgment of the umpire one team is purposely delaying the game in order to reach the time limit and end the game, the umpire shall award the game with another inning if weather and lighting is permitting.
- There will be no gentlemen's agreements between coaches to alter or change these rules without prior approval from the Board.

Report scores every night to
scores@hillcrestyouthbaseball.com