



MONARCH LITTLE LEAGUE

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Umpire Card Pre-Game Reminders

- All coaches, assistant coaches, and any adult on the field for games must have passed the MLL background check.
- There shall be a maximum of 3 coaches per team on the field at any time. One coach must be in the dugout.
- Players must remain in the dugout during games. No going into the stands or leaving the field without permission from the Umpire.
- On deck circle is not allowed (except for Intermediate/Junior/Senior leagues). No practice swings behind the dugout.
- All offensive players must wear a helmet at all times when on the field.
- Team players only on the field or in the dugout during games. Bat boys are prohibited.
- Coaches, parents, siblings are not allowed to warm up pitchers in bullpen or on field.
- Players warming up pitchers must wear a catcher's mask.
- If close play at home, runner must slide or avoid contact. No head first sliding into any base.
- For AAA and Majors, base runners may not leave the base until pitch has crossed home plate.
- Umpires should walk field prior to use to ensure fields are safe for play.

Duration of games:

- For AAA and Majors, games are 6 innings. New inning shall not start after 1 hour 50 minutes.
- For Majors Interlock games, games are 6 innings. Inning shall not start after 2 hours unless tied. "Legal" game after 3.5 innings if home team is winning, 4 innings if visitors are winning.
- For Intermediate & Juniors Interlock games, games are 7 innings and 2 hours. Inning shall not start after 2 hours unless tied. "Legal" game after 4.5 innings if home team is winning, 5 innings if visitors are winning.

Equipment:

- Ensure all equipment is in good condition
- Catchers must wear mask with dangling throat guard, chest protector, shin guards and protective cup.
- Players are not allowed to wear jewelry except for medical alert bracelets or necklaces

Weather:

- The umpire makes the call on whether or not conditions are safe for play.
- Lightning: MLL observes a 30/30 Rule as it pertains to lightning and any other storm that could cause a delay. The 30/30 rule is as follows: If lightning is seen, and thunder is heard within 30 seconds of the lightning, the fields will be cleared and the game will be delayed. If the storms clears within 30 minutes of the delay, play will resume so long as the field conditions are safe. If it is still storming after a 30 minute delay, the game will be called. When a lightning delay is called, all players must clear the field and take shelter in a nearby storm shelter or car. Players may NOT stay in the dugouts.

**Make you calls loud and authoritative. Let everyone hear you. Stand by your call if questioned unless your partner saw something differently. **

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- Bats – no larger than 2.25 bbl, 32” long
- Catchers gear – throat & shin guard, mask
- Cleats – no metal
- Pitch count & Log – signatures @ end of game
- Helmets worn at all times on the field
- Coach roster – only 3 allowed per team
- Background checks done for all helpers?
- Bat Boys prohibited
- Coaches-not allowed to warm up pitchers
- If close play @ home plate, runner must slide
- No head first sliding

Reminders: kids remain in dugout, no parents allowed on field. First infraction is a warning, 2nd is an out.
Most important thing-Have fun!