Oregon District 5 Inter-League 2021

Inter-League games for District 5 including all Divisions of BB & SB.

- 1. <u>Time limit for ALL DIVISIONS; Minor, Major, 50/70, JR, SR.</u> No new inning will start after 1 hour 45 min for minors and Majors or 2 hours for 50/70, JR & SR. Shortened games for 2021 will be considered an official game.
- 2. On Deck Batter (50/70, JR, SR).. The on-deck batter shall be positioned in the on-deck circle closest to their dugout.
- 3. <u>Minimum players to start a game.</u> Teams are permitted to start a game with eight (8) players. The ninth (9th) position in the batting order will be skipped without penalty. Should a 9th player arrive after the start of the game, they may be added to the bottom of the batting order when they arrive, even if the team has already batted through the line-up. You are NOT allowed to start a game with less than eight (8) players.
- 4. <u>Courtesy Runner.</u> A team may use a "courtesy runner" for the catcher and/or pitcher of record when there are two (2) outs. The "courtesy runner" must be the player who made the last out.
- 5. <u>Intentional Walk (Minors/Majors Baseball and all Softball).</u> The defensive manager may elect to "intentionally Walk" a player at <u>any time prior or during the at bat</u> by calling time and announcing the request to the umpire. For baseball, the appropriate "balls needed to walk the batter shall be added to the pitch count.
- 6. **Umpire.** The umpire is permitted to stand behind the catcher or pitcher during the Regular Season.
- 7. Continuous Batting Order. Batting line-up will include all players present at the game. Players arriving late will be added to the bottom of the line-up. In the continuous batting order each player is considered a starter. You may substitute defensive players at any time in the game but each player must play at least 6 consecutive defensive outs at some time during the game. Managers MUST report subs to the umpire when entering the game.
- 8. <u>5 run limit per inning</u>. Inning is over when the 5th run scores. If a play is in progress when the 5th run scores, the play will be allowed to finish, but only 5 runs will be counted. The last inning will be open (<u>no run limit</u>) only if 4 innings have been played for Minors & Majors or 5 innings have been played for Intermediate (50/70), Juniors, & Seniors.
- 9. <u>15 Run Rule</u> is in effect if at the end of 3 innings [Intermediate/Junior/Senior division: 4 innings], or 2 ½ innings [Intermediate/Junior/Senior: 3 ½ innings] if the home team is ahead, one team has a lead of 15 runs or more, the manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent. <u>Ten Run Rule</u> is in effect once a legal game has been officially met; 3 ½ innings for Minors & Majors and 4 ½ innings for Intermediate, Juniors, and Seniors if the home team is ahead. **Note:** if the visiting team has a lead of 15 or 10 runs or more respectively, the home team must bat in its half of the inning.
- 10. When a team uses "Pool Player(s)" to allow for a sufficient number of players to play a scheduled game, The "Pool Player(s)" shall wear the uniform of their regular season team so that they are identified as being from the POOL. Pool player played games <u>DO NOT</u> count as a regular season game for that pool player.

ALL OTHER REGULATIONS & RULES WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE RULE BOOK.



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- These guidelines are to help speed up the game and keep all the teams playing by the same rules and prepare us for All Stars Tournament.
- Any protests involving Inter-League games will NOT be referred to the Local Board of Directors. Any protested game will go to the District 5 Protest Committee. The protests should be reported within 24 hours to the following District 5 UIC's; Central Oregon, Greg Anderman (714) 493-4929 or River; Paul Keefer at (541) 571-2587. Depending on whether you're in Central Oregon or River, contact either Greg or Paul who'll receive, coordinate a review panel of the protest and provide a written decision to the two leagues. This is the first step in the protest process, if the decision provided by the District Protest Committee is not acceptable, step two encompasses submitting the protest to the District Administrator for review and the decision provided is final.
- All managers involved in Inter-League play are required to receive a copy of these guidelines and information.

 They should be reviewed before each game. The umpire should be informed of these rules if they are not aware of the Inter-League guidelines.

