

LRPD Game Time Limit

Procedures for Baseball and Softball

In an effort to clarify policies and procedures for tracking time limits in LRPD games, the following list is provided in an effort to avoid confusion and mistakes.

- 1) By rule a game begins when the game Official announces or signals for the game to begin. In Baseball or Softball this is when the Plate Umpire calls "Play" for the first pitch.
- 2) If there is any time left in the time limit then you must continue the game. By rule a new inning begins the moment a third out is made in the bottom half of the previous inning.
- 3) The Official time should be kept the Official Scorer whenever possible. If none is available then the Umpire will keep it.
- 4) The Official starting time should be noted on the official scoresheet AND announced to both teams as well as which clock is being used to keep the time.
- 5) The official time clock should only be stopped for serious or prolonged injury situations, weather delays or any other non-game related incidents.