

ELBURN COLT BASEBALL RULES AND REGULATIONS

Rules not stated herein will follow IHSA Rules and Regulations

1. The Home Team coach is required to call the Visiting Team coach on the Saturday or Sunday preceding your game for that week, to verify game time and field location information.
2. The League Scheduler will develop a game schedule of approximately 16 to 22 games. The League Scheduler will try to allow each team to play every team in its division twice (home and away). However, if the number of teams in a division exceeds 12, then adjustments will be made in the scheduling procedure.
3. Team standings will not be kept and no trophies will be awarded.
4. It will be the responsibility of the team managers to notify their opponents of cancellations, field changes, or start time changes.
5. The home team will be responsible for field preparation & three new "high school" game balls.
6. Home team must supply the umpires. The program requires at least one IHSA-Certified umpire or two uncertified umpires.
7. Fields – 90 ft. bases and 60 ft. 6 in. pitching distances.
8. Players will have the option to wear either metal or plastic/rubber spikes.
9. Game time will be 5:45 p.m. unless teams agree upon alternate time prior to game day. Game time should be no later than 6:15 p.m. A few teams have lighted fields and start games at 7:30 – 8:00pm.
10. League players must be in high school and not 18 years of age by September 1st.
11. Coaches should exchange line-ups (starters and subs) prior to the game. The home team is the official game scorekeeper. Report all substitutions before they occur to the official game scorekeeper. Roster size minimum shall be 12 with a maximum of 20.
12. Away teams must assume a game will be played even during inclement weather unless they are notified by the home team of a cancellation or suspension.
13. All teams should carry a First-Aid kit to all games and practices.
14. Teams will follow IHSA substitution rules.
15. Home teams shall take infield first, then visiting teams, 10 minutes each prior to the start time.
16. All games will be seven (7) innings in length. Five innings (5) is considered a complete game (4-1/2 if the home team is winning). Any game less than five innings should be considered suspended and resumed at a later date if the teams can make arrangements.
17. Eight players are required to start a game. The 9th spot in the batting order will be an out.
18. All boys who attend a game shall play in the field for at least three outs and have one at-bat; however, the coach of the team with more players is only obligated to play the same number of players as the team with fewer players.
19. All play and/or game disputes are to be resolved by the two managers and the umpire in charge. The umpire's decision will be final. There are no appeals or protest to the league.
20. The home plate umpire will make the decision to call a game due to darkness or inclement weather. DO NOT PRESSURE umpires to play during darkness or inclement weather.