

2022 UMPIRE CHEAT SHEET

Updated: 4.4.22

| RULE | MINORS | MAJORS 1 (3RD GRADE) | MAJORS 2 (4TH GRADE) | MAJORS 3 (5TH GRADE) | SENIORS |
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| Ball Size | 10 inch (soft compression). | 11 inch. | 11 inch. | 11 inch. | 12 inch. |
| Base Distance | 50 feet. | 60 feet. | 60 feet. | 60 feet. | 60 feet. |
| Pitching Distance | 20 feet. | 35 feet. | 35 feet. | 35 feet. | 40 feet. |
| Game Length | Games are 1:30 in length with a drop dead time limit. | Games are six innings or 1:45 in length with a drop dead time limit. Score reverts to previous completed inning. A game shall be complete provided three full innings have been played. | Games are six innings or 1:45 in length with a drop dead time limit. Score reverts to previous completed inning. A game shall be complete provided three full innings have been played. | Games are six innings or 1:45 in length with a drop dead time limit. Score reverts to previous completed inning. A game shall be complete provided three full innings have been played. | Games are six innings or 1:45 in length with a drop dead time limit. Score reverts to previous completed inning. A game shall be complete provided three full innings have been played. |
| Start of Game | At least five players. | At least eight players. | At least eight players. | At least eight players. | At least eight players. |
| Defensive Players | 10 (5 players must be positioned in the outfield). No catcher is used. | 10 (4 players must be positioned in the outfield). | 10 (4 players must be positioned in the outfield). | 10 (4 players must be positioned in the outfield). | 9 (3 players must be positioned in the outfield). |
| Scoring Limit | 3 outs or batted through lineup. | 3 outs or 6 runs in a single inning with the exception of the 6th inning. | 3 outs or 6 runs in a single inning with the exception of the 6th inning. | 3 outs or 6 runs in a single inning with the exception of the 6th inning. | 3 outs or 6 runs in a single inning with the exception of the 6th inning. |
| Batting Helmet | Batting helmet is mandatory and a face mask is recommended. | Batting helmet with a face mask is mandatory. | Batting helmet with a face mask is mandatory. | Batting helmet with a face mask is mandatory. | Batting helmet with a face mask is mandatory. |
| Fielding Mask | Fielding mask is recommended for all players | Fielding mask is recommended for all players, however, only pitcher and 3rd baseman are required to wear one. | Fielding mask is recommended for all players, however, only pitcher and 3rd baseman are required to wear one. | Fielding mask is recommended for all players, however, only pitcher and 3rd baseman are required to wear one. | Fielding mask is recommended for all players, however, only pitcher and 3rd baseman are required to wear one. |
| Umpires | No umpires. Coaches make judgment calls. Batting team coach should act as umpire and consult with defensive coach, if needed. Coaches are encouraged to err on the side of the defensive player. | At least two BGS umpires. | At least two BGS umpires. | Two BGS Umpires | Two BGS Umpires. |
| Double 1st Base | No double 1st base used. | Defense must use white side and batter/runner must use orange side unless throw pulls 1st baseman off base. | Defense must use white side and batter/runner must use orange side unless throw pulls 1st baseman off base. | Defense must use white side and batter/runner must use orange side unless throw pulls 1st baseman off base. | Defense must use white side and batter/runner must use orange side unless throw pulls 1st baseman off base. |
| Pitching Limit | No player pitch. | No more than 3 innings (one pitch constitutes an inning). | No more than 3 innings (one pitch constitutes an inning). | No more than 3 innings (one pitch constitutes an inning). | No more than 2 consecutive innings (one pitch constitutes an inning). |
| Pitching | After 4 swings, a hitting tee is used. | Player pitcher is allowed 3 pitches. If batter has not struck out, coach pitcher is allowed 4 pitches (strike count carries over). | Player pitcher pitches until ball count reaches 3. Number of pitches coach pitcher is allowed is determined by number of strikes remaining. Coach pitcher should remain off the field until time to pitch | Player pitcher pitches until ball count reaches 4. Number of pitches coach pitcher is allowed is determined by number of strikes remaining. Coach pitcher should remain off the field until time to pitch | Full player pitch. |
| Bunting | No bunting. | No bunting. | No bunting. | No bunting. | Bunting is allowed. |
| Dropped 3rd Strike | No dropped 3rd strike. | No dropped 3rd strike. | No dropped 3rd strike. | No dropped 3rd strike. | Batter may try to reach 1 st base if there are less than 2 outs and no runner occupies 1 st base. If there are 2 outs, runner may try even if occupied but runner on 1st must advance. |
| Hit Batter | No hit batter. | Ball is dead and batter is awarded 1st base. No attempt to avoid being hit is required. Only applies when player pitcher is pitching. | Ball is dead and batter is awarded 1st base. No attempt to avoid being hit is required. Only applies when player pitcher is pitching. | Ball is dead and batter is awarded 1st base. No attempt to avoid being hit is required. Only applies when player pitcher is pitching. | Ball is dead and batter is awarded 1st base. No attempt to avoid being hit is required. |

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| Infield Fly | No infield fly rule. | No infield fly rule. | No infield fly rule. | No infield fly rule. | Batter is out when fair fly ball which can be caught by infielder, pitcher or catcher with ordinary effort when 1st and 2nd base or 1st, 2nd and 3rd bases are occupied with less than 2 outs. |
| Look Back | Runners who are less than half way to next base when infielder has control of ball inside te baseline, must return to last base. It does not matter if infielder tries to make a play on runner as ball is dead when she receives it inside the baseline. | Runners who are less than half way to next base when pitcher has control of ball in circle, must return to last base. It does not matter if pitcher tries to make a play on runner as ball is dead when she receives it in circle. | Runners who are less than half way to next base when pitcher has control of ball in circle, must return to last base. It does not matter if pitcher tries to make a play on runner as ball is dead when she receives it in circle. | Runners who are less than half way to next base when pitcher has control of ball in circle, must return to last base. It does not matter if pitcher tries to make a play on runner as ball is dead when she receives it in circle. | When pitcher has control of ball in circle, any runner stopped on a base must stay on the base and any runner not on a base must immediately either advance toward next base or return to previous base or will be called out unless pitcher attempts to make a play. |
| Overthrows | No additional bases will be awarded. | When a ball is overthrown at first or third base and rolls out of play (i.e., past the fence line, into the dugout, etc.), the batter-runner and all runners on base are awarded two bases from the position of the runners when the ball left the fielder's hand. If there are two runners in between the same bases when the ball rolls out of play, only the lead runner is awarded two bases. | When a ball is overthrown at first or third base and rolls out of play (i.e., past the fence line, into the dugout, etc.), the batter-runner and all runners on base are awarded two bases from the position of the runners when the ball left the fielder's hand. If there are two runners in between the same bases when the ball rolls out of play, only the lead runner is awarded two bases. | When a ball is overthrown at first or third base and rolls out of play (i.e., past the fence line, into the dugout, etc.), the batter-runner and all runners on base are awarded two bases from the position of the runners when the ball left the fielder's hand. If there are two runners in between the same bases when the ball rolls out of play, only the lead runner is awarded two bases. | When a ball is overthrown at first or third base and rolls out of play (i.e., past the fence line, into the dugout, etc.), the batter-runner and all runners on base are awarded two bases from the position of the runners when the ball left the fielder's hand. If there are two runners in between the same bases when the ball rolls out of play, only the lead runner is awarded two bases. |
| Stealing | No Stealing. | No Stealing. | When a player pitcher is pitching, a runner may advance to the next base when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand on delivery. However, there is absolutely no stealing home, even if there is an overthrow or an error. | When a player pitcher is pitching, a runner may advance to the next base when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand on delivery. However, there is absolutely no stealing home, even if there is an overthrow or an error. | A runner may advance to the next base when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand on delivery. |
| Lead Offs | No lead offs. | No lead offs. | A runner may leave the base only when the ball leaves the pitcher's (player or coach) hand on delivery. | A runner may leave the base only when the ball leaves the pitcher's (player or coach) hand on delivery. | A runner may leave the base only when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand on delivery. |
| Sliding | No sliding. | Must attempt to slide when ball and runner arrive at same time. One warning will be given. | Must attempt to slide when ball and runner arrive at same time. One warning will be given. | Must attempt to slide when ball and runner arrive at same time. One warning will be given. | Must slide when ball and runner arrive at the same time. No warning will be given. |
| Thrown Bat | A warning will be given. | One warning will be given to the team then all subsequent batters will be called out. | One warning will be given to the team then all subsequent batters will be called out. | One warning will be given to the team then all subsequent batters will be called out. | Batter is out. |