

2018 ILL Rule Summary

	Minor (9-10)	Intermediate (11-13)	Seniors (13-16)
Max Roster Size	12	12	14
Mandatory Play	All players must bat. Players will sit while their team is on defense no more than two innings at a time.		Minimum of 1 at bat and 6 consecutive defensive outs. Substitute entering game for first time may not be removed until this is met.
Minimum Players	A team may start with 8 players but must take an out somewhere in the batting order. A team may finish a game with 7 players.		
Time Limits*	90 minutes	105 minutes	
Complete Game	A game is official after 4 innings		A game is official after 5 innings
Curfew	No inning will start after 10:00		No inning will start after 10:30
California Rules	If the game is tied at the end of the time limit, or the game, the last two batters from the previous inning shall start the next inning at second and first base and the batting team will start with one out. No more than two innings will be played under California Rules.		
Run Rule	If after 4 1/2 innings the home team is ahead by 15 runs (5 innings for visiting team) the game will be over.	If after 4 1/2 innings the home team is ahead by 10 runs (5 innings for visiting team) the game will be over.	
Pitch Count (Per Day)	75	85	95
Pitch Count	1-20 pitches: no rest; 21-35 pitches: 1 calendar day; 36-50 pitches: 2 calendar days; 51-65 pitches: 3 calendar days; 66+: 4 calendar days		13-14 year olds - same 15-16 year olds: 1-30, no rest; 31-45, 1 day; 46-60, 2 days; 61-75, 3 days; 76+, 4 days
Defensive Conferences	Two per inning, pitcher must be removed from mound on third visit in inning. Three per game, pitcher must be removed from mound on fourth visit in game.	Same. Each pitcher has their own "count" of visits, which resumes if pitcher returns to mound later in the game.	
Pitching in Multiple Games	May only pitch in one game per day		May pitch in two games if 30 or fewer pitches thrown in first game.
Pitching in Suspended game resumed the next day	If pitcher pitched 20 or fewer pitches, may continue - pitch count starts at zero. If 21-40 pitches, may continue-pitch count picks up from previous game. If 41 or more pitches, not eligible. If another game intervenes, see Rule 4(h).		13-14 year olds - Same; 15-16 year olds - Same, except 30/60 pitches instead of 20/40 .
Pitcher returning to mound	Pitchers once removed from the mound may not return as pitchers	A pitcher remaining in the game, but moving to a different position, can return as a pitcher anytime in the remainder of the game, but only once per game.	
Pitcher/Catcher	A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that DAY. A player who has played the position of catcher in four or more innings in a game is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day (catching 1 pitch equals 1 inning).		
Batting Order**	All players will bat in a continuous order.		Senior Division will use a 10 player batting order.
3rd Strike Not Caught	Batter is out	Batter is out if first is occupied with less than two outs. If first is unoccupied or there are two outs, batter becomes runner and defense must put him out	
On Deck Batters	Not Allowed	Allowed	
Special Pinch Runner	Not Used		Once per inning/only twice per game , any player not currently in the batting order may run. A player may only be <u>removed</u> for a special pinch runner once per game.
Player Re-entry (starter or Sub)	Players may re-enter a game any number of times, at any position except pitcher (if that player has already pitched in the game).	Players may re-enter a game any number of times, at any position except pitcher. A player may only re-enter as a pitcher once per game.**	Starters may re-enter to their original spot in the batting order once. Substitutes may not re-enter once they have left the game.
Substitutions	See Above.		A substitute entering the game may not be removed prior to completion of the mandatory play requirement.
Adults	1 manager and 2 coaches allowed.		
Base Coaches	Two adult base coaches may be used at all levels, provided there is an adult in the dugout.		
Protests	Playing rule or improper substitution: Mandatory Play: Ineligible pitcher or player:	Must be made before next pitch, play or attempted play. As soon as the facts become known. As soon as facts become known, but before either teams' next game.	
* Pee-Wee and Tee-Wee game time limits are 50 minutes			
** ILL uses a continuous batting order for the Minor and Intermediate Divisions. For ILL games only, a continuous batting order is considered remaining in the game.			