

## **JUNIOR DEPUTY**

### **2019 CAL RIPKEN LEAGUE FALL SEASON RULES**

1. Our eight Cal Ripken organizations will field teams in three different divisions of play – AAA, AA, and A. All organizations will have A teams. Not all organizations will have AA and AAA teams.
2. All nine-year-olds will be rostered in A.
3. No 12-year-olds may be rostered in A without the approval of the Cal Ripken League Commissioner (Carter Stein). Any Cal Ripken Managers seeking to roster a 12-year-old in A must make a written request to the Cal Ripken League Commissioner.
4. Organizational rosters with team allocations are due to the Cal Ripken Commissioner by August 30, 2019. Fall tournament roster allocations are due October 4, 2019. Updated team allocations are due October 13, 2019.
5. The Cal Ripken League Commissioner requires organizations to roster a minimum of thirteen players on their A team, a minimum of seven players on their AA team, and a minimum of five players on their AAA team.
6. Each game will be 90 minutes or six innings of play, whichever comes first. If time expires in the middle of an inning, the inning will continue until the home team takes the lead or the visiting team records the third out. If time expires and either team is ahead by more than the run limit, then the game will end.
7. If the game is tied at the end of six innings or if the game is tied at the end of an inning after time has expired, the game will end in a tie.
8. To speed the pace of play, only ninety seconds will be allowed between half innings.
9. All games will have a four-run limit per inning. The reduced run limits in the fall are intended to speed the pace of play and increase the number of innings in order to maximize batting and fielding repetitions.
10. Round robin batting is mandatory.
11. Free substitutions are allowed during the game.
12. Managers are limited to one mound visit per pitcher per inning.

13. Pitchers will be allowed to record six outs per game. However, no pitcher in an A game will be allowed to start a new inning unless their pitch count is 25 or less; no pitcher in a AA game will be allowed to start a new inning unless their pitch count is 30 or less; and no pitcher in a AAA game will be allowed to start a new inning unless their pitch count is 35 or less. Pitch count rules will be strictly enforced.
14. Players rostered on a AAA team may not “swing down” to a AA or A team. Players rostered on a AA team may not “swing down” to an A team. Any player older than nine-years-old that is rostered to an A team may “swing up” to a AA or AAA team. Any nine-year-old player may “swing up” to a AA team. Any player rostered to a AA team may “swing up” to a AAA team.
15. Players are eligible to pitch on the team for which they are rostered and for any team to which they “swing up,” so long as the player is within pitch count limits. Please keep in mind the spirit and intent of fall ball is to develop pitching depth at all three levels of play.
16. Once a pitcher leaves a game, he or she cannot return to pitch in the same game or any other game his or her organization has scheduled that day. Example 1: Player A, who is 9-years-old, pitches 20 pitches in the first inning and then does not return to the mound in the second inning. Player A may not be reinserted as a pitcher again in that game. Example 2: Player B, who is 11-years-old, records six outs in 27 pitches in his team’s AA game. Player B, despite having a daily maximum of 85 pitches, is not allowed to pitch in his team’s AAA game that same day.
17. Four outfielders are permitted in AA & A games. Only three outfielders are permitted in AAA games.
18. The home team is responsible for scorebook duties. The visitors have scoreboard duty. The home team is responsible for keeping score in real time on GameChanger or uploading the box score within twenty-four hours of the game completion.
19. Each team is to provide two Cal Ripken (CAL1) baseballs for game play. They should be in good condition but do not have to be brand new.
20. AAA Division - Bases will be 70’ apart. A pitcher’s rubber will be placed at 50’ from the back of home plate. Leadoffs are allowed.
21. AA and A Division - Bases will be 65’ apart. A pitcher’s rubber will be placed at 46’ from the back of home plate. No leadoffs are allowed.

22. For any situations or rules not covered in this rule set, the Official Cal Ripken Rules and Junior Deputy 2019 Cal Ripken League Spring Season Rules will be followed.

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