

APL LEAGUE LOCAL RULES

1. ASA Rules will be used unless modified below.
2. Game times are 5:45 and 7:15. If it is a 3 game night the third game is 8:45. Game time is forfeit time.
3. Games will have an 85 minute time limit. No new inning may start after this unless then game is tied. Then it is played until a winner is determined. They have a drop dead time of 10:30.
4. Batter will enter the batter's box with a 1-1 count. They will be out on the second foul after 2 strikes.
5. Mercy Rule - None
6. A strike zone mat is used. A pitch with legal arc that hits the mat is a strike. A pitch which misses the mat is a ball. If a pitch hits both the plate and the mat it is considered to have hit the plate and is a ball.
7. On plays at the plate the mat is considered part of the plate.
8. The league will use a .44 cor / 375 compression ball.
9. The league will use the current ASA non-approved bat list.
10. Short handed rules:
 - A) Teams must have at least 8 players.
 - B) If a team has 8 players, the opponent will supply a catcher for purposes of returning pitches. This person is not expected to make any defensive plays.
 - C) With 9 players a team must supply their own catcher.
 - D) If a team has less than 10, there is no automatic out taken in the batting order. The exception to this is if a team drops from 10 to 9 (or 9 to 8) due to an ejection with no eligible substitute. In this case an out must be taken for the vacated spot in the order.
 - E) If an additional player arrives they may enter at any time. They do not have to wait until the end of the half inning, or even the end of an at bat.
11. The batting order may have between 8 and 11 players. There will be at most 10 players in the field defensively. The number of people in the batting order may vary during the game.
12. In order to reenter the game a player must sit out at least 2 innings AND 1 time through the batting order.
13. Teams are allowed 4 over the fence home runs per game, and then 1-up.
14. Teams are permitted to have beer on the bench.