

Ankeny Little League Baseball Incomplete Inning and Incomplete Game Guide

The following chart will serve as the official result when an Ankeny Little League regulation game* is called during an incomplete inning due to weather, curfew, hard stop time limit, darkness, light failure, or any other reason deemed necessary by the umpire or the Officer of the Day.

To use the chart:

1. Along the left, find the team ahead (or tied) at the completion of the last **completed** inning (top and bottom).
2. Along the top, find the team ahead (or tied) at the moment the game is called (regardless of the point in the incomplete inning).
3. The intersection shows the official result of the game (along with the associated Little League Baseball 2026 Rulebook reference).

| | | Team ahead when the game is called (regardless of point in incomplete inning) | | |
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| | | VISITOR | HOME | TIE |
| Team ahead at completion of last completed inning (top and bottom) | VISITOR | VISITOR wins. Score is the score at the time the game is called. Rule 4.11 (d) | HOME wins. Score is the score at the time the game is called. Rule 4.11 (c) | TIE game. Score is the score at the time the game is called. Rule 4.11 (d) |
| | HOME | HOME wins. Score reverts back to end of last completed inning (top and bottom). Rule 4.11 (d)(2) | HOME wins. Score is the score at the time the game is called. Rule 4.11 (d) | HOME wins. Score reverts back to end of last completed inning (top and bottom). Rule 4.11 (d)(1) |
| | TIE | TIE game. Score reverts back to end of last completed inning (top and bottom). Rules 4.11 (d)(2) | HOME wins. Score is the score at the time the game is called. Rule 4.11 (c) | TIE game. Score is the score at the time the game is called. Rule 4.11 (d) |

Notes:

- Pitches thrown in incomplete innings shall count toward pitch count totals for each player, regardless of whether the results of the incomplete inning are reflected in the final score.
- Deliberate attempts to delay the game to achieve a particular outcome of a called game will not be permitted, and could result in the game being awarded to the other team at the discretion of the umpire(s) and/or Officer of the Day.
- Tie games in the regular season will not be resumed. For purposes of official standings, a tie shall count as 0.5 of a win and 0.5 of a loss.

*** Regulation Game - Definition**

- A game shall be considered a regulation game by Ankeny Little League under any of these conditions:
 - 1) A minimum of 4 innings (5 innings for Intermediates and older) have been completed (or if the home team is leading immediately prior to or during the bottom half of this inning). Rule 4.10 (c) .
 - 2) The time limit of the game (according to Ankeny Little League ground rules) has been reached, regardless of the number of innings played.
 - 3) A game ends under the "mercy rule." Rule 4.10 (e).
 - 4) One team is leading by more than the Ankeny Little League single inning run limit for the given age group, either at completion of the last completed inning, or if the home team leads by more than this margin during the incompleting bottom half of the inning.
- A game started but not reaching regulation status is considered a suspended game, with no score and no win/loss result.

Resuming a Suspended Game

- Suspended games will be resumed at a later date according to the following guidelines:
 - 1) Result impacts the crowning of the regular season champion or which team(s) receive a bye in the City Tournament.
 - 2) If it is unknown whether a suspended early season game will meet criteria 1), the game may be resumed before this determination is officially known (e.g. during an early season scheduling gap). This will be at the sole discretion of the board.
 - 3) Any City Tournament game.
- Resumed games will be resumed with the same lineup, score, inning, outs, baserunners, and game time elapsed as the original game at the time it was suspended. For pitching and other player rules, see the 2026 Little League Baseball Rulebook.
- Subject to board discretion, team schedules, and field availability, resumed games may be completed under several scenarios:
 - a) Immediately before the next matchup of the two teams: play to the earliest definition of a regulation game (above).
 - b) Immediately before any other game on the same field: play to the earliest definition of a regulation game (above).
 - c) As a standalone event: play to the earlier of the time limit of the game (according to Ankeny Little League ground rules), the "mercy rule", or the full number of innings.

Note: Resumed City Tournament games will always be treated as a standalone event.