

2026 SCLL Local Rules

	Majors	AAA	AA	A	T-Ball
Age Guidelines	10-12	9-11	7-9	6-8	4-6
Keep Standings	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Keep Score	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Ball Delivery	Player	Player	Player (with coach pitch)	Machine pitch	Tee
Batting Order	Continuous	Continuous	Continuous	Continuous	Continuous
Strike Outs	3 - (Uncaught 3 rd strike in effect See Rule 6.09(b))	3	3	3	No
Walk	Yes	Yes	Coach pitch after 4 balls. Use current count. Max of 4 Coach pitches w/called strikes. At bat cannot end on foul ball.	No 8 pitches max. At Bat cannot end on foul ball.	N/A
Intentional Walks	Yes (Max of 1/game)	No	N/A	N/A	N/A
Infield Innings	1 (N/A for playoffs)	1	1	2	1
Defensive Innings Per Player	3 of first 5 innings	3 of first 5 innings	No one sits twice until all sit once	No one sits twice until all sit once	All play
Percent of Team Pitching	6 players must throw 100 pitches/season	6 players must throw 100 pitches/season	6 players must throw 100 pitches/season	N/A	N/A
	<i>Penalty – if not reached in regular season, teams can only pitch pitchers that are below 100 pitches in the playoffs until minimum is met.</i>				
Max Innings Per Position Non-Pitching	N/A	4	3	3	2
Max Inning Pitching	N/A	N/A	3	N/A	N/A
Time Limit	2:00 – Week 2:00 - Weekend	2:00 – Week 2:00 - Weekend	1:45 – Week 1:45 - Weekend	1:30 – Week 1:30 - Weekend	N/A
	Official Game Clock STARTS when first warm up pitch is thrown. No start of a new inning after time. The new inning starts with the last out of the preceding half inning. Opening day games and weekday games during the month of April will have 1:45 limits (N/A for A division). If called for daylight, the score reverts to the end of the last full inning. Must complete three innings for the game to be official.				
Batter's Foot in Box	No	No	No	No	No
Courtesy Runner	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A
	With two outs the last out can run for pitcher and/or catcher. MUST be pitcher or catcher of record in that position in the previous inning. LAST OUT is runner.				
If only 8 players at Start of Game	Skipped Batter is Out	Skipped Batter is Out	Batter is Skipped	Batter is Skipped	N/A
Bunt	Yes (if show, can't swing or out)	Yes (if show, can't swing or out)	No	No	No
Steal	After ball reaches batter	After ball reaches batter	1 base/bat, can't advance home	No	No
Runner Advancement on Overthrows	Unlimited/At runner's own risk	Unlimited/At runner's own risk	One base per overthrow. Play is dead once the ball is controlled and on the infield dirt.	No advancement on overthrow	No advancement on overthrow
	<i>Note for AA ONLY: Ball is deemed "controlled" when it is fully controlled in either a player's hand or glove. If the ball is hit to the outfield, an outfielder must throw it back into the infield for it to be considered "dead." If a runner is at least halfway to the next base, play will continue until they either reach the base or are called out before reaching the base.</i>				

Run Limits and Mercy Rules

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Max Runs Per Inning	8	5	4	3	N/A
Max Runs Last Inning	N/A	10	8	6	N/A
Mercy Rule - 5 innings	8 runs	8 runs	8 runs	N/A	N/A
Mercy Rule - 4 Innings	10 runs	10 runs	10 runs	N/A	N/A
Mercy Rule - 3 Innings	15 runs	15 runs	12 runs	N/A	N/A
Post Season	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No

Pitcher and Catcher Specific Rules

League Age	Number of Pitches Per Day
13-16	95 pitches
11-12	85 pitches
9-10	75 pitches
7-8	50 pitches
Managers must remove a pitcher when they reach the limit for their age group as noted below. The pitcher may remain in the game at another position.	
Pitches in One Game/Day	Pitcher's Rest Requirements – League Age 14 and Under
66+	Pitcher must have at least four calendar days of rest before pitching again.
51-65	Pitcher must have at least three calendar days of rest before pitching again.
36-50	Pitcher must have at least two calendar days of rest before pitching again.
21-35	Pitcher must have at least one calendar day of rest before pitching again.
1-20	No calendar day of rest is required before pitching again.
Under no circumstances shall a player pitch in three (3) consecutive days.	
Pitcher/Catcher Rules	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A player who has played the position of catcher in 4 or more innings is not eligible to pitch in that calendar day ● A player who has played catcher for 3 innings or less and delivers 21 pitches or more in the same day may not return to the catcher position in that calendar day ● If a player delivers 41 or more pitches may not play the position of catcher for the remainder of the day. If the pitcher reaches 40 pitches while facing a batter they may continue to pitch and maintain their eligibility to play catcher UNTIL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ That batter reaches base ○ That batter is retired ○ The third out is made to complete the half inning <p>And the pitcher does not throw another pitch.</p> <p>The above exceptions also apply to any pitchers reaching a day of rest threshold during a batter. They may continue to pitch and still be eligible for the same day of rest threshold assuming the above conditions are met.</p> ● When reporting total pitch counts the manager will report the actual total number of pitches thrown by a player, not the number related to any threshold reached. 	

POOL PLAYERS – Any requests for pool players will go through the **Player Agent** for division of the team requesting the player. **During playoffs**, any pool players must come from a lower division. AAA to Majors or AA to AAA (No Single A to AA)

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