



LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL, INC
CALIFORNIA DISTRICT 33
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR
CLAY BERRY



2026 ALL-STARS TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

1. Managers must carry their tournament team eligibility packet with them to each game. The pitching affidavit must be included and complete, including all games within five days prior to the tournament. The complete packet must be handed in to the tournament site director 90 minutes prior to the *first* game. **It is the responsibility of each manager to retrieve their affidavit packet at the conclusion of each game. The Site Director is not responsible for affidavits left over night.**
2. An *original, wet-signed medical release* for each player on the team roster, matching the order listed in the eligibility affidavit. Medications/inhalers indicated as needed on medical releases must be unexpired and produced by the player. The player may not participate in pre-game warm-ups or in the game if these items are not available in the dugout.
3. Each adult must provide certified proof that they have passed these required training courses: concussion protocol, sudden cardiac arrest, abuse awareness, and Little League Diamond Leader. The certificates must be paper. See information at the end of this document.
4. Managers must report to the site director at least 60 minutes prior to the game for *each subsequent* game. The site director will provide each team manager a blank official line-up card. No other line-up card may be used.
5. The home team will be determined by the flip of a coin at least sixty (60) minutes prior to game time. The site director will select a representative for the coin flip for any team that has not arrived on time. The home team will utilize the first base dugout, and the visiting team will occupy the third base dugout.
6. Only those listed on the affidavit are allowed on the field at any time. Temporary replacement of a manager or coach on a game-by-game basis is possible (for a justifiable reason) with prior approval from the Tournament Director.
7. Photographers and news personnel may be on the playing field with authorization from the Tournament Director and the game Umpire-in-Chief.
8. The completed line-up card and tournament announcement sheet must be turned into the site director before *any* member of the team may enter the field.
9. There will be no practice or warmups on site prior to the team taking the field. All warmups on site must take place within the confines of the field for safety reasons.
10. The Site Director or the game Umpire-in-Chief will review ground rules at the plate meeting. All ground rules for that site must be in writing.

11. Managers and Coaches may not wear tank tops, or flip flops while on the field. Chino style or other appropriate shorts or pants are required; basketball and other athletic-style shorts are not allowed. A conventional baseball hat must be worn by managers and coaches during games; a visor is allowed for female managers and coaches. Only appropriate attire will be allowed.
12. One adult manager or coach must always remain in the dugout. Dugout order and safety is the responsibility of the adult in the dugout. Failure to maintain a safe environment will result in the removal of that adult. Managers and coaches will not act as bat boys.
13. No artificial noisemakers are allowed. Walk-up music will be allowed. The team on offense may play walk up music from the time the batter leaves the dugout until they reach the batter's box. Walk-up music must be appropriate (e.g., no profanity or bleeped words, no sexual content) and played at a reasonable volume. Anyone violating these guidelines will lose the privilege of using their speaker. Only the host league can play music during warmups or use a PA system except for the walk-up music.
14. Only water and sports drinks will be permitted in the dugout during the game. Seeds, food, gum or soda are not permitted in the dugouts or on the playing field. Water will be supplied in the dugout if requested.
15. The certificates for all the following trainings for each manager and coach *must* be in the team binder.

Concussion Protocol (Required Once). California law requires that all coaches and administrators must complete an online concussion training at least once before supervising youth athletes. The online Concussion Protocol Training is at: <https://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/>.

Abuse Awareness Protocol (Annually). This course, which serves as a replacement for the programs previously available through third-party organizations like USA Baseball, is custom to the Little League program. Required to be completed by all volunteers each year. <https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/abuse-awareness-training-course/>

Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Protocol (Required Once). AB379 requires the same protocols used for concussions in youth and high school sports to be used to help protect young athletes participating in school and community youth sports organizations from sudden cardiac arrest—the #1 killer of young athletes. The online Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Training is at: <https://epsavealife.org/sca-prevention-training/>

Diamond Leader Training Program (required once). **All Managers and Coaches are required to complete the Little League Diamond Leader Training Program to be eligible to participate at any level of the Little League International Tournament.** The district administrator may request proof of completion. <https://www.littleleague.org/diamondleader/>.