

Pool Player Policy

What it is:

A pool of players from existing regular season teams created with players that are willing to participate in extra games during the regular season when team face a shortage of rostered players for a regular season game within their respective divisions. The Pool Players will be managed and run the league's Player Agent (Green Book, p. 39).

Steps to obtain a Pool Players:

1. Determine that you are in need of a player to abide by Rule 4.17 which states that a game cannot be played with less than 9 rostered players.
2. Contact the league Player Agent and ask for a Pool Player. ONLY the Player Agent can assign a Pool Player to a team. Give as much notice as possible for the Player Agent to obtain a Pool Player for assignment.

Note: Managers and/or Coaches do not have the right to randomly pick and choose players from the pool within their divisions. (Green Book, P. 39)

LITTLE LEAGUE RULE FOR POOL PLAYERS:

1. Assigned Pool Player must be obtained through the Player Agent ONLY.
2. Assigned Pool Player cannot play the position of pitcher.

LOCAL RULES FOR POOL PLAYERS:

1. Assigned Pool Player cannot play the position of catcher and will take the defensive position in the outfield ONLY.
2. Assigned Pool Player will bat LAST in the lineup. EXCEPTION: If a team member arrives late to the game, that player will be placed last in the batting order (Green Book, Rule 4.04/NOTE 2). The Pool Player will remain until he/she has played at least the mandatory play requirements. Pool Player must play at least nine consecutive outs and bat once (Green Book, P. 39)

POOL PLAYERS OBTAINED IMPROPERLY:

1. If a manager obtains a Pool Player improperly, that manager will be suspended for his/her next regularly scheduled game.
2. Any Pool Player that is not obtained should be considered an ineligible player and the opposing manager can protest the game base on that. (Green Book Rule 4.19)