

DLL End of Game Scenarios (3-21-22)

We need to strive for consistency about how we end games that are interrupted due to time restrictions, weather or lighting issues. To keep things simple, and in keeping with Little League rules, there are a few ways a game can end and be considered an official game.

If the game does not go four full innings (or three and a half if the Home Team is ahead), it is NOT an official game and if it is interrupted by time restrictions, weather or lighting issues, it must be continued. The teams pick up exactly where they left off with the same line-ups in place and continue until the game ends.

If the teams have played four or more innings (or three and a half if the Home Team is ahead) and the interruption occurs in the middle of an inning, there are a few different scenarios.

If the Visiting Team has batted and used all three outs and the Home Team is winning, the game is official and the Home Team is the winner.

If the Visiting Team has batted and used all three outs and the Home Team is losing when the game is interrupted, the game reverts back to the score from the last full inning completed, is official and whoever was winning at that time is the winner. If the last complete inning resulted in a tie score the game must be continued at the point of interruption. The teams pick up exactly where they left off with the same line-ups and continue until the game ends.

If the game is interrupted in the middle of the Visiting Team's at bat and they are losing, the game reverts back to the score of the last completed inning and the Home Team is the winner.

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