

MASSASOIT LEAGUE

2018

BASEBALL-SOFTBALL

1. Try-outs may begin on or after March 12, 2018. Practices may begin the following Monday, March 19th.
2. The first regularly scheduled league game is April 3rd.
3. There will not be more than three scheduled league games per week including make-up games.
4. The official start time for games will be 3:15 p.m. There will be a 15 minute grace period for unforeseen circumstances. If an emergency situation occurs this will cause the game to start any later, it will be the team that is responsible for such circumstances that shall notify their opponent and the umpires.
5. No batting practice is allowed after the arrival of the visiting team. The visiting team will be allowed 10 minutes for infield practice.
6. There will be two (2) umpires for each game (except in cases that the assigner only assigns one).
7. Both baseball and softball games will be of seven-inning duration. Four and one half innings must be played to be an official game. No full inning may start after 5:30 p.m.
8. In Softball, in the event of a tie at the end of seven innings, the visiting team will place the last scheduled batter from the previous inning on second base and resume their batting order. After three outs, the home team will follow the same procedure. If still tied, the same procedure would ensue until one team is the victor. - Softball Only
9. Rotation of pitchers is at the coach's discretion.
10. No pitcher may pitch more than 7 innings per week in baseball. ***Rule 10 is not applicable for softball.**
11. Helmets must be worn at all times by batters, base runners, and base coaches.
12. Free substitution— Baseball, only starters may re-enter game once. Players must remain in their original spot in the batting order. Softball, all players, starters or nonstarters, may reenter the game once. Players must remain in their original spot in the batting order.
13. Baseline coaches must be a member of the team (coach or player) and must wear a helmet.
14. Postponed games will be rescheduled for the following school day or as soon as possible that a mutually acceptable date is agreed upon between schools—weather permitting and availability of umpires. Conflicts may be resolved by Baseball/Softball Administrator.
15. **METAL SPIKES ARE NOT ALLOWED.**
16. **ONLY COACHES ARE ALLOWED TO EXCHANGE LINE-UP CARDS.**
17. All league games, regardless of effect on standings, must be played. Exceptions granted only by principals' review.
18. Should umpires fail to show, game will be played as a scrimmage.