

2021 Prairie League Rules

- 1) Every player bats, field maximum 9 defensive players
 - a. 10s – may field a maximum 10 defensive players
- 2) Time limit –
 - a. 10s – 1 game, 7 innings long or 2 hours, whichever comes first
 - b. 12s, 14s – 2 games, each 5 innings or 1 hour and 15 minutes, whichever comes first. Each team will be the home team in a game.
 - c. No inning may start after time-limit
 - d. If home team is ahead at the bottom of the last inning, the home team will not bat
 - e. International tie breaker rules will be used in the event of a tie-(last batter out in the previous inning will start the new inning at second base)
- 3) 10s – no walks – if 4 ball count is reached; batter will be pitched to by a coach from their team. Batter will get 3 strikes or will then be called out. Base stealing is not allowed during coach pitching. Batter cannot advance to first base on dropped third strike during coach pitch.
- 4) The ball is dead when the pitcher has possession in the circle.
- 5) A thrown bat will result in the batter being called out; this is an umpire judgment call.
- 6) 5 runs max per ½ inning. The last agreed upon inning is open to unlimited scoring for both teams.
- 7) At least 7 players to start the game; an out will be charged for batting less than 8.
- 8) Base stealing is allowed after the ball leaves the pitchers hand.
- 9) The infield fly rule is in effect, this is an umpire judgment call.
- 10) Coaches may have a designated runner for the pitcher or catcher with any amount of outs in an inning. The player who made the last out or scored the last run will be the runner as decided by the batting team.
- 11) Home plate is open. Runners can advance home on a live ball.
- 12) Stealing on a dropped third strike is allowed.
- 13) The batter is allowed to advance to first base on dropped third strike if first base is open or there are two outs.
- 14) When a pitched ball not swung at that touches any part of the batter the ball is dead and the batter is entitled to 1 base. It does not matter if the ball hits the ground first.