

Farm 7 & 8

Amendments to Metro rules

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Please refer to the official Metro Rule book at www.metrosportsbaseball.com for all game play rules with the exception of the following amendments

Rule 103. Each team will bat its entire roster. In the event of injury or illness during the game, the injured or ill player shall miss their turn at bat with no penalty.

Rule 303. The pitching circle will be ten (10) feet in diameter and the center will be forty (40) feet from the back of home plate. The pitching rubber will be placed at forty (40) feet from the back of home plate. The center of the pitching machine shall be centered over the front of the pitching rubber.

Rule 400. Rule 400 will not be enforced for regular season park ball.

Rule 501. All players will play in the field on defense. All outfielders must play twenty (20) feet behind the base path until the ball is batted.

Rule 504. Play shall be stopped when the ball is under control in the infield and all base runners have stopped their advancement. It will be the **UMPIRE'S JUDGMENT** as to when time will be called.

Rule 707. There is a maximum of seven (7) runs scored in an inning.

Rule 1108. Game time will be 1 hour and 30 minutes or 6 innings, whichever comes first. If a team is leading by fifteen (15) runs after four (4) innings or eight (8) runs after five (5) innings, the game shall be terminated and the team with the lead declared the winner.

The amendments above will apply during the regular park ball season only.

Borrow Rule:

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Park rule only

A team may only borrow a player from a team within the same age group. A team may borrow to have a total of nine (9) players. At no time will a team borrow more than two players in order to play a game. If a team does not have eight (8) players with the inclusion of the borrowed player or players, and all efforts have been justifiably made, the team must then contact the park director. A team must have no less than (7) of the players listed on the original team roster in order to play a game. A team may have no less than eight (8) players in order to start a game. A borrowed player must play right field and be the last batter listed on the official game line-up. If two players are borrowed, one shall play right field the other must play in center field. The two borrowed players will be the last two batters listed on the official game line-up. In the event that a team has borrowed a player and the player listed on the original roster is able to play, the borrowed player must sit out and may not participate.

The players who are being borrowed can not be selective based on personal reasons.

If Team (A) requests to borrow a player and the player denies availability, that player is considered unavailable for Team (B) for the same time and day. In this case, if the player plays with Team (B), Team (B) must forfeit. If Team (A) requests to borrow a player and that player has already accepted to play for Team (B), that player must play for Team (B) or Team (B) will forfeit. A team shall not borrow any player for championship games.