# 2012 E.P.A.A. Time Procedure

Major League and Minor League: Monday-Friday

**6 p.m.:** No inning starts after 8 p.m. (1st game), **8 p.m.:** No inning starts after 10 p.m. (2nd game)

#### **Notes:**

- **1.** Teams must start the 1st game by 6 p.m.
- **2**. If there is no umpire to start the game, a league official should be notified immediately.
- **3.** If an umpire doesn't arrive 10 minutes after game's start time, the managers should start to umpire the game themselves until an umpire does arrive.
- **4.** If the 1st game ends early teams should be ready to start the second game by 8 p.m.
- **5.** If the 1st game runs past 8 p.m. or ends at 8 p.m., the 2nd game should start IMMEDIATELY when the umpire is ready.
- **6.** Teams playing the 8 p.m. game will get NO INFIELD practice infield unless the first game ends VERY early. In that case, the teams will be allowed infield and should be ready to start right at 8 p.m.
- **7.** Teams MAY NOT GET 2 FULL HOURS to play if the games don't start right on time because of weather or the 1st game running past 8 p.m.

Junior League: Monday-Friday

**5:30 p.m.:** No inning starts after 7:50 p.m. (1st game) **7:45 p.m.:** No inning starts after 10:10 p.m. (2nd game)

#### **Notes:**

- 1. Teams must start the 1st game by 5:30 p.m.
- 2. If there is no umpire to start the game, a league official should be notified immediately.
- 3. If an umpire doesn't arrive 10 minutes after games start time, the managers should start to umpire the game themselves until an umpire does arrive.
- 4. Teams should be ready to start the second game by 7:45 p.m.
- 5. If the 1st game runs past 7:45 p.m. or ends at 7:45 p.m., the 2nd game should start IMMEDIATELY when the umpires are ready.
- 6. Teams playing the 7:45 p.m. game will get NO INFIELD practice infield unless the first game ends VERY early. In that case, the teams will be allowed infield and should be ready to start at 7:45 p.m.

7. Teams MAY NOT GET THEIR FULL TIME to play if the games don't start right on time because of weather or the 1st game running past 7:50 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday: Junior League starting at 9:30 a.m.

#### JUNIOR LEAGUE

**9:30 a.m.:** No inning starts after 11:45 p.m.

11:45 a.m.: No innings starts after 2 p.m.

#### MAJOR LEAGUE OR MINOR LEAGUE

**2 p.m.:** No inning starts after 4 p.m.

**4 p.m.**: No inning starts after 6 p.m.

**6 p.m.:** No inning starts after 8 p.m.

**8 p.m.:** No inning starts after 10 p.m.

#### **Notes**

- 1. Teams must start the 1st game by 9:30 a.m.
- 2. If there is no umpire to start the game, a league official should be notified immediately.
- 3. If an umpire doesn't arrive 10 minutes after game time, the managers should start to umpire the game themselves until an umpire does arrive.
- 4. If the previous game runs past their allotted time or at uses up their allotted time, the next game should start IMMEDIATELY when the umpire is ready.
- 5. Teams playing on Saturday will get NO INFIELD practice infield unless the previous game ends VERY early. In that case, the teams will be allowed infield and should be ready to start at their regular game time.
- 6. Teams MAY NOT GET THEIR FULL TIME to play if the games don't start right on time because of weather or the previous game running past scheduled time. This includes the transition of the field from Junior to Little League.

Saturday/Sunday: Major League and Minor League starting at 10 a.m.

#### MAJOR LEAGUE OR MINOR LEAGUE

**10 p.m.:** No inning starts after 12 p.m.

**12 p.m.:** No inning starts after 2 p.m.

**2 p.m.:** No inning starts after 4 p.m.

**4 p.m.:** No inning starts after 6 p.m.

#### JUNIOR LEAGUE

**6 p.m.:** No inning starts after 8:15 p.m.

**8 p.m.:** No inning starts after 10:30 p.m.

#### **Notes:**

- **1.** Teams must start the 1st game by 10 a.m.
- **2.** If there is no umpire to start the game, a league official should be notified immediately.

- **3.** If an umpire doesn't arrive 10 minutes after game time, the managers should start to umpire the game themselves until an umpire does arrive.
- **4.** If the previous game runs past their allotted time or at uses up their allotted time, the next game should start IMMEDIATELY when the umpire is ready.
- **5.** Teams playing on Saturday will get NO INFIELD practice infield unless the previous game ends VERY early. In that case, the teams will be allowed infield and should be ready to start at their regular game time.
- **6.** If games end early teams are encouraged to start the second game as early as possible on Saturday. This way they'll get extra time along with their allotted time.
- **7.** Teams MAY NOT GET THEIR FULL TIME to play if the games don't start right on time because of weather or the previous game running past scheduled time. This includes the transition of the field from Junior to Little League or Little League to Junior League.

#### **Important Notes:**

If there are only a couple of makeup games on Sunday. (not a full schedule) Then teams should not go by the time procedure, and should complete their games until there is a winner.

### The UMPIRE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH LEAGUE TIME PROCEDURE.

- 1. IT IS THE OFFICER ON DUTY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE TIME PROCEDURE IS FOLLOWED EXACTLY AS WRITTEN IN THIS LETTER.
- 2. THE OFFICER ON DUTY ALONG WITH ANY OTHER EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS ARE IN CHARGE OF TIME PROCEDURE FOR THE NORRIS FIELD GAME ALONG WITH MAKING SURE EVERYTHING IS ORDERLY AT THE FIELD.
- **3.** Any attempt to manipulate or break the time rules because of a player not being on time for a game or for whatever other reasons, may result in a possible FORFEITURE for a team or suspension for the manager.

**Note:** We also expect the managers to follow the rules as written in case a league official is not around. This may especially happen during afternoon games on Saturday or Sunday. In that case the managers playing at the time and the managers with the next game should stay on top of it. If a manager knowingly or not knowingly breaks the rules, he may face disciplinary action from the league. (Including a FORFEITURE of his game)

## 4. ONCE AN INNING IS OVER THE NEXT INNING IS CONSIDERED STARTED!

Example: If during the 2 p.m. game on Saturday, the fifth inning ends at

- 3:59 p.m., the sixth inning should be played. (This applies to all days of the week.)
- 5. NO TEAMS ARE GUARANTEED A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME TO PLAY EACH GAME! THE TIME PROCEDURE GOES BY TIME NOT TIME PLAYED.

Example: If the 2 p.m. game on Saturday gets over at 4:10 p.m., because the inning started before 4 p.m., then the 4 p.m. game still only has to 6 p.m. to complete their game. (This applies to all days of the week.)

- 6. THE OFFICIAL CLOCK IS HANGING IN THE STAND IN THE UMPIRES VIEW.
- 7. IF A GAME IS CONSIDERED OFFICIAL BY THE RULE BOOK, THERE WILL BE NO MAKE-UPS BECAUSE OF TIME.