

DPLL 2021 Junior Division Rules

These are “local rules”. If not addressed here, rules are addressed by **District 63** in this document or the 2021 LL International rules for the Juniors division.

1. **Interleague:** Juniors North Interleague will consist of 2 teams from GVSLL and 3 teams from DPLL.
2. **Games Called Due to Darkness:** The umpire will have final say on when to call a game due to darkness. The recommendation will be to call game 10 minutes after official time of sunset (reference Farmer’s Almanac for exact time in current city). The umpire can adjust this as they see fit (score, game situation, etc.) with safety being the primary goal. If a game is called due to darkness, the game will revert back to the last completed inning. Tie games can be finished at a later date if necessary for playoff seeding.
3. **Playoffs:** Single elimination tournament that will be seeded based off of regular season standings. The winner of the tournament will be awarded trophies and will play in the North/South game. The regular season play will be for standing purposes only. There will only be one winner of the division which will be determined by the outcome of the playoff tournament.
4. **Scorekeeping:** Each team must provide a scorekeeper. The scorekeepers will keep the official score, pitch count and substitutions. During COVID period all scorekeeping will be completed using the Game Changer mobile app on the scorekeepers personal mobile device. Managers should plan for all scorekeeper to use Game Changer for the entirety of the 2021 season.

No game will begin without scorekeepers. The scorekeepers are required to be in neutral designated territory behind the plate as they are considered officials of the game. At Goleta Valley South Little League scorekeepers are to be in the booth. At Girsh Park scorekeepers will be at the table behind home plate backstop.

At any point the scorekeeper is not keeping pace with the game using Game Changer, they should request time out from the umpire.

The pitch count recorder must provide the current pitch count for any pitcher when requested by either manager or any umpire. However, the manager is responsible for knowing when his pitcher must be removed.

The official pitch count recorder shall inform the umpire when a pitcher has delivered his maximum limit of pitches for the game. The umpire will inform the pitcher’s manager that the pitcher must be removed. However, the failure by the pitch count recorder to notify the umpire, and/or the failure of the umpire to notify the manager, does not relieve the manager of his/her responsibility to remove a pitcher when that pitcher is no longer eligible.

5. **Home Team / Visiting Team Duties:** Home team sets up field and provides an announcer (if at GVSLL). Visiting team (if from same league) cleans up the field after the game. If not from the same league, the home team is responsible for field setup and cleanup.
6. **Warming up a Pitcher:** Manager, coaches, and any other non-team player, whether child or adult, are prohibited from warming up a pitcher at home plate, in the bullpen, or in any other area before or during the game.
7. **Batting Order:** DPLL and GVSLL will be using a Continuous Batting Order during the regular season and playoffs. The North vs South District 63 Juniors game will use the 9 player batting order and substitutions per rule 3.03.

Additional COVID Restrictions

8. **Practices:** All practices **must** take place at Girsh Park Juniors Field and Girsh Park batting cages, and must only include a single team with two assigned cohorts. Only one team is allowed on the field at a time for practices. Teams will be allowed to practice on the field 3 times per week.
9. **League Provided Gear:** Catchers at the junior division that do not have their own gear will be supplied with available gear by DPLL if appropriate gear is available. No one team will be provided with more than one set of gear until all teams are supplied with at least one set, or teams have declined a set. Individual players provided with gear will sign for that gear and should not share that gear with any other player for the duration of the season.
10. **Health Checks:** Before every practice and game, managers and/or team volunteers will take the temperature of all players and volunteers and perform a verbal health check for all players and volunteers.

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Playing Rules for 2021 apply.