



Shelby Township Parks, Recreation and Maintenance Department

<http://shelbytwp.org/departments/prm>

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Shelby Township Little League

Girl's Major Fast Pitch Softball

Ages 9-12

Points of Interest and Rules

ENROLLMENT

Enrollment and field availability dictates the number of teams and players per team. The Board of Directors approves the number of teams and the number of games played.

PLAYING TIME

Every player on a team roster will participate in each game for three innings on defense. Continuous batting order that will include all players on the team roster present for the game batting in order throughout the game (No players are to miss their turn at bat).

PENALTY: The player shall start the next scheduled game, play any previous requirements not completed under section PLAYING TIME and the requirements for this game before being removed.

The manager shall for the:

- A. First Offense – receive a written warning.
- B. Second Offense – a suspension for the next scheduled game.
- C. Third Offense – a suspension for remainder of season.

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A blind draft is done by the Board of Directors at Shelby Township Parks and Recreation.

FIELD

The base distance is 60'. The pitcher's mound is 40'. Lombardo and Ford Field have permanent pitcher's mounds in place at (46' and 40'). Fields are maintained by the maintenance staff of Shelby Township. Bases and pitchers mounds are secured into the ground for each distance.

UMPIRES

Umpires are Little League certified umpires. There is an umpire evaluation form for coaches to fill out that the umpire coordinator looks at seriously. It is used for evaluating umpires during the season and for use in playoffs and the LL tournament.

GAME TIME

Games will start at 6:30pm unless noted on the schedule. Games have a time limit of two hours. No new inning can start after the two-hour time limit.

SCOREKEEPING

Teams are responsible for maintaining their scorebook. The home team is responsible for reporting the final game score to madams@shelbytwp.org and jyoungblood@shelbytwp.org within 24 hours. The League website will have records of the game scores and team standings.

PLAYER UNIFORMS

Players shall wear consistent uniforms including MLB visor, jersey and socks provided by the League. All players shall wear tennis shoes, molded sole athletic shoes, or all-purpose shoes. Metal or screw-on cleats are not allowed. All players should wear white baseball pants. Coaches will receive a MLB team hat and a Shelby Twp Parks and Recreation coaching shirt.

GAME

- All games will be six innings in length unless one team is ahead by ten or more runs after four complete innings.
- Home team will sit on the third base side.
- Lineup sheets showing the batting order, defensive starting positions, players name and number will be given to the opposing manager and official prior to the game.
- All managers/coaches will update their pitching records to the opposing manager, scorekeeper, and umpire prior to game time.
- Pre-game warm-ups are conducted in the outfield along the 1st and 3rd baselines. The visiting team will take infield practice first for 10 minutes, 25 minutes prior to game time. The home team will take the field for 10 minutes, 15 minutes prior to the scheduled game time.
- A player hit by a pitch, which hits the ground first, then hits the batter, the batter is awarded 1st base.
- Batter becomes a runner on dropped third strike
- 4 outfielders

PITCHERS

A player pitching in more than one inning has one calendar day of rest which is mandatory. A player may pitch in a maximum of nine innings in a game. A player may pitch in a maximum of eighteen innings in a calendar week, Sunday through Saturday. Delivery of a single pitch constitutes having pitched in an inning.

STEALING

Base runners leave base on pitcher release. Players are allowed to steal home. Stealing is allowed in the LL Tournament.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFFS

Softball teams in the above divisions will participate in the STLL Championship Playoffs. Brackets will be seeded. Playoffs will be seeded by regular season standings. Playoffs are a single game elimination tournament. The playoff schedule will be available as soon as possible following the completion of the regular season.

If a game is rained out the teams are expected to play the next available day on the best available field. Games may be played on consecutive days in order to complete the playoffs if necessary.

TOURNAMENT TEAM

- All players in the division are allowed to try out for the tournament team on or after June 15th.
- Girls will have a 9-10 year old team and a 11-12 year old team. (Based on number of girls trying out.)
- Visors and jerseys are provided by Shelby Township Little League..

BAT & BALL RULE

Bats are to be no more than 34 inches in length and not more than 2-1/4 inches in diameter. Please check www.littleleague.org for banned bats under approved equipment tabs. The ball is 12" circumference and Little League certified.

VOLUNTEER FORMS

It is important that anyone who wishes to volunteer complete a Volunteer Application (available on Little League's or Shelby's web site) and turn it in with a copy of your Driver's License prior to the first practice. To comply with Little League International, there can be no exceptions.

Shelby Little League Inclement Weather Updates:

http://www.shelbytwp.org/shelby_twp_little_league/index.html

<https://www.facebook.com/ShelbyTwpParksandRec>

Rain Out Line - (586) 726-4556