

**CALIFORNIA DISTRICT 35
2023 INTERMEDIATE (50-70), JUNIOR, SENIOR
INTERLEAGUE BY-LAWS**



Purpose

The purpose of the D35 Interleague is to provide a Regular Season game schedule and Playoffs for the Little League Divisions governed by these By-Laws and attached Rules documents.

Interleague Committee

The **D35 Interleague Committee** (hereinafter called the **Committee**) shall consist of a minimum of five (5) members. The Committee shall consist of: Assistant District Administrator (ADA) Intermediate/Junior/Senior; Assistant District Umpire-In-Chief (UIC); League Representative (Sonoma County); League Representative (Mendocino County); At-Large Member. The ADA shall serve as Chairperson.

The Committee shall serve as the **Grievance Sub-Committee** and the **Protest Sub-Committee**.

Rosters

Each League shall provide the Chairperson with an Official Roster (consisting of Player Names, League Age, & Jersey Number, plus Manager and Coaches names, contact numbers, and email addresses) for each team that is part of the D35 Interleague. Rosters are due prior to Opening Day and will not change unless received approval from the Assistant District Administrator (ADA) Intermediate/Junior/Senior.

Conduct

The conduct of players, managers, coaches, league officials, and fans will be closely scrutinized. All participants are reminded that they are representing their team, league, and CA District 35 Little League and must act accordingly. Good sportsmanship is paramount to our mission.

Grievance Process

The grievance process will be consistent with Official Playing Rule 9.05 (a) (b) (c). If players, managers or coaches are ejected from a game, the umpire must file a written report within twenty-four (24) hours addressed to the Assistant District UIC and delivered to any member of the Committee. That player, manager or coach will automatically not participate in the next physically played game (per Rule 4.07). Managers may make a report to any member of the Committee. (see Penalty)

The Grievance Sub-Committee will deal with all matters for which **disciplinary action** may be necessary, whether occurring during a game or resulting from a game. If a hearing is held, the ejected party shall attend. In a case involving a player, the manager must attend with the player. The respective league president is invited to attend as well. After the grievance presentation, the Sub-Committee will meet in closed session to determine if additional penalties are warranted.

Harassment Policy

It is the policy of California District 35 Little League that all the parties involved in the operation of the chartered Little League Baseball program will provide an operational environment that is free of all forms of **discrimination and bullying**. No individual shall be subjected to verbal or physical abuse. Harassment shall be considered as misconduct and may result in the application of appropriate corrective action up to and including expulsion from the program. Any allegations of harassment will be taken seriously and contact with appropriate law enforcement authorities will be made as warranted.

Definition of Harassment

Harassment is unwelcome behavior, which creates a hostile environment in the mind of the person whom the behavior is directed towards. Harassment can occur independent of the intent of the person doing it. What is important is how the victim perceives it.

Harassment Reporting Procedures

If any complaint or allegation of harassment/misconduct becomes known to you at any time, before, during or after the season, you should immediately report it to the Committee Chairperson

Ejection Penalties

If any managers, coaches or players is ejected from a game by an umpire, the following minimum penalties will be applied:

- 1st Offense: one (1) game suspension (per LL Rules).
- 2nd Offense: three (3) game suspension.
- 3rd Offense: expulsion from Interleague.

CHARGING THE PITCHER AND/OR FIGHTING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. This will result in a minimum five (5) game suspension.

Harsher penalties may be applied for any offense at the discretion of the Committee.

Any penalties (suspensions) handed down by the Committee are expected to be monitored and applied by the respective league president and league representative(s).

Protest Process

The protest process will be consistent with Rule 4.19 (a) - (e) of the Rulebook. The manager or acting manager must notify the umpire-in-chief in accordance with the Rulebook. The manager must submit the protest in writing to the District UIC (Mark Brown email: ca35uic@gmail.com), District Assistant UIC (Dave Miller email: dtmill21@gmail.com), & District ADA 50/70, Juniors, & Seniors (Kevin Wood email: ca35ada5070jrjr@gmail.com) within twenty-four (24) hours of the game. The umpire-in-chief of the game shall also submit a report to the Protest Sub-Committee. The Protest Sub-Committee shall adjudicate any protest according to Rule 4.19 in the LL Rulebook.