



FALL LEAGUE RULES:

High School Federation Rules Along With The Following:

- 1. Good Sportsmanship Will Be Exercised At All Times By Players, Coaches, And Fans.**
- 2. All Games Will Be 12 Innings Or 2 Hour & 20 Minutes Time Limit (Finish The Inning – Will Not Start a New Inning within 5 mins)**
- 3. Run Rule: No Run Rules / (3 Outs or 4 Runs & Switch Format)**
- 4. Free HS Substitution. Can Bat all players, however need to stay in order! Recent Pitcher/DH rule can be used as well.**
- 5. Each Team Will Contribute Two Balls To Start Each Game. Teams Will Contribute Additional Balls As Needed By The Umpire. (2 Dozen will be provided to each team preseason)**
- 6. Teams Are Responsible For Retrieving Foul Balls On Their Side.**
- 7. Courtesy Runners can be used for the Pitcher and Catcher.**
- 8. Slide Rule: Runners Must Go Down (Slide Directly To Base), Or Give Up Any Base (Including Home Plate), On A Double Play Or Attempted Tag When The Fielder Has The Ball In Possession. If The Player Lowers His Shoulder (In The Umpire's Judgement) Going Into A Fielder, The Player Will Be Called "Out" And Ejected From The Game.**
- 9. 90 Seconds And Five Warmup Pitches Between Innings. Please Keep The Game Moving At A Reasonable Pace!!! NCAA Rule**
- 10. Teams Will Flip For Home Team.**
- 11. Coaches Only: Winners Report/Text All Scores. Also, Inclement Weather. 682-651-8018 (Coaches And Organization Admin Use Only!)**
- 12. Standings Tie Breaker: Record, Head to head, Run Differential, Runs Allowed, Runs Scored (Ties are considered ½ win, ½ loss) (Results will be posted on the website)**
- 13. Pitch Counts and Innings Pitched are at the coach's discretion. We will not be enforcing any pitching limitations. MLB Pitch Smart Chart
Link: <https://www.mlb.com/pitch-smart/pitching-guidelines> Please be responsible.**

General Stadium/Field Rules:

Fan Gate Fee:

\$10 per person per day

Concessions:

Some Venues Have Concessions And Will Not Allow In Outside Food In!

If Concessions Are Unavailable Then Outside Coolers Will Be Allowed.

Dugouts:

Clean Dugouts After Your Games And All Trash Picked Up.

No Seeds, No Gum Or Tobacco At Fields!! **[See Next Page!]**

Turf Fields/Mounds:

No Metal Spikes On Any Turf Fields & Mounds At Any Field! **[See Next Page!]**

Inclement Weather:

Refunds Due Inclement Weather Is Up To The Discretion Of The League Staff (We do our best to complete the league). All Weather Updates Will Be Posted On The GAPT Website/Weather Button Event Page/GAPT Twitter And Text Messages Will Be Send Out.

Parking:

Parking must be in designated parking spots with lines. Do not park on any grass areas or drive over/"hop" any curbs to park your vehicle. Your vehicle maybe subject to being towed from the venue. Do not park in the administration spots, loading zone areas, grass areas or outfield areas. Please be aware of foul balls, GAPT Leagues and venues are not responsible for any damages to vehicles.

GAPT League Coaches/Fans/Player Conduct:

1. No Metal Spikes On Any Turf By A Player At Any Field/Mound.

[The Coach Is Given One Warning Then The Player Is Ejected Or The Coach Is Ejected... At The Umpires Discretion]

2. No Seeds in The Dugouts At Any Field!

[The Player Is Ejected Or The Coach Is Ejected If Seen Spitting Or Having Seeds On Hand Including Spitting Into A Cup/Bottle... Umpires Discretion and the Team Will Be Charged a \$500 Clean Up Fee]

3. Fan/Spectator Conduct (Coaches Are Responsible For Fan's

Conduct] [The Coach Is Given One Warning Then Ejected If Problem Persists... At The League Directors/Umpires Discretion]

GAME DISRUPTION In the interest of the game, the participants, and everyone involved, there will be increased discipline and zero tolerance against game disruption, violence, and verbal abuse - **NO ONE WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THIS POLICY.** Violent behavior by player, coach, or spectator is grounds for dismissal from the event. **GAME DISRUPTION** includes but is not limited to, verbal abuse of the umpire, badgering the opposing team, violence on the field, dug out, stands, or walking on the field without the permission of the umpire, or any other act that league officials feel is inappropriate. This also includes any action –verbal or physical-towards staff: Fans are not to be disrespectful to any league staff/gate workers/field operations/umpires/coaches/players! If, during the course of a game, league staff or umpire determines that verbal abuse or inappropriate conduct disrupts the game, the umpire can opt to take action against the team(s) disrupting.

The following actions may take place, not necessarily in this order or in its entirety:

- A warning may be given to the coach
- The person(s) disrupting may be asked to leave the ball field
- The coach(es) may be ejected from the game and /or the ball field
- The game may be determined a forfeit by the umpire

[Protocol: If a Fan Has an Issue, the Fan Needs To Address The Situation With Their Coach And Then League Staff Will Meet With The Coach over the issue]

FANS ARE NOT TO CONTACT THE LEAGUE DIRECTORS, only Coaches!

Anything Further After Ejections Will Result In Removal From Current GAPT League And Future GAPT Events.