

Middle School Baseball Rules Regular Season

The following rules apply to middle school baseball games as directed by the South Carolina High School League (SCHSL). Umpires will oversee enforcing the time limit and all other rules that apply.

TIME LIMIT

1. All regular season games are limited to 2 hours regardless of the score.
2. After the time played reaches 1 hour and 50 minutes no new inning will be started.
3. The 2-hour time limit is to be administered as a drop-dead time and the game will end once the current batter has completed his at bat.
4. If the time limit has expired, games may end in a tie; **NO EXTRA INNINGS** will be played.
5. Time Limit is a nonnegotiable rule. Teams will not be permitted to agree to forgo this "Time Limit."

RUN RULE

1. Per SCHSL adopted rules, the game will end any time after 3 innings, or after 2 ½ innings when a team is 15 or more runs behind and has completed its turn at bat.
2. Per National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) rules, the game will end any time after 5 innings, or after 4 ½ innings when a team is 10 or more runs behind and has completed its turn at bat.

SCHSL rules apply in all other situations.

Tournament Rules:

1. All NFHS and SCHSL rules will apply.
2. Teams will be seeded based on Record; ties will be broken based on SCHSL tiebreaker rules.