

## POOL PLAYER RESTRICTIONS

- 1. Pool players must bat at the end of the batting order, cannot pitch or play catcher, and may not play in the infield for more than two innings.
- 2. No pool player can play more innings in the field than a roster player.
- 3. In a case where a team is using multiple pool players, not more than one pool player at a time may play in the infield.
- 4. No pool player can play on any given team more than once per season, nor can he/she play more than four (4) games in a season as a pool player (unless no other suitable candidate can be found to play in a particular situation).
- 5. If it is believed by an opposing manager, the Player Agent, Pool Player Coordinator, or a member of the SOLL Board that a manager has circumvented these Pool Player Regulations and/or violated the spirit of these Regulations the issue may be brought to the SOLL Board to determine if in fact the manager has done so, and the game in which the pool player(s) was used may be FORFEITED if the game was won or ended in a tie. If the game was lost, other sanctions, as determined by the SOLL Board, may be levied against the manager and his/her team. If a manager is found to be a repeat violator, additional sanctions may be taken against the manager, including removal as a manager.

## **DO NOT:**

- Attempt to play a game with only 9 players.
- Contact a pool player directly. You may only contact a pool player after the Pool Player Assignment has been made.
- Request from the PPC a particular pool player.
- Complain about the skill level of the pool player you were assigned or that was assigned to the opposing team.
- Tell the PPC the level of players that you are missing. It has no bearing on the assignment.

## What to Do If You Need a Pool Player

1. Find out as early as possible from parents when their child will be missing a game(s). Get as much info as possible before the season starts! For instance, Spring Break is always a crazy time for pool players.

- 2. If you know you will have less than 10 players at a game, contact your assigned Pool Player Coordinator (PPC) as soon as possible. PLEASE DO NOT ATTEMPT TO GO INTO A GAME WITH ONLY 9 PLAYERS. At least 72 hours is preferred. Let the PPC know your team name and division, the date and time of your game you'll need a pool player(s).
- 3. The PPC will find you a pool player(s), then contact you via email with a Pool Player Assignment letter with the name of your pool player(s) and their contact info. You will be cc'd on this email if you are the opposing manager in a game where a pool player(s) is being used.
- 4. It is now up to the manager to contact the pool player(s) to tell them which field and what time to arrive to the game. It is also helpful to tell them what color jersey/hat to wear to match your team. A phone call is preferred to ensure that the family is aware of the game details.
- 5. If at game time, one (or more) of your roster player(s) unexpectedly shows up so that you have 10 (or more) **roster** players, the manager may still use the pool player(s) for that game. In the Majors division, a "not-needed" Pool Player may still play in the game with the approval of the opposing manager.
- 6. Please give preference to your roster players over pool players. For example, don't start a pool player over a roster player.