

Fall 2023 Interlock Rules



RYA – JYSA – HSA

Richland Youth Association
Justin Youth Sports Association
Haslet Sports Association

Travel Games:

- Associations will only play travel games on weekends.
 - RYA will travel to Haslet/Justin on 3 Saturdays during regular season. ○ HSA/JYSA will travel to North Richland Hills on 3 Saturdays during regular season.
 - Associations will play at their own home fields for Opening Day (September 9th) and Closing Day (October 28th)

Time Limits for Games:

- 10u – 1 hour and 30 minutes or 6 innings
- 12u – 1 hour and 45 minutes or 6 innings
- 14u – 1 hour and 45 minutes or 7 innings
 - No new inning will start in final ten minutes.

Run Limit:

- All ages – Maximum 5 runs per inning. ○ Exception: If a home run is hit over the fence, all runs count.
 - For example, if four runs have been scored in inning and bases are loaded, an over-the fence home run will score all runs.

Mercy Rule:

- 15 runs after 3 innings
- 10 runs after 4 innings
- 8 runs after 5 innings

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Max Pitch Counts in Game:

- 10u – 50 pitches maximum • 12u – 60 pitches maximum
- 14u – 70 pitches maximum

Field Sizes:

- 10u – 44 feet pitching / 60 feet bases
- 12u – 48 feet pitching / 70 feet bases
- 14u – 60 feet pitching / 90 feet bases ○ Optional 14u playing 54/80 if needed

Coaching Considerations:

- All coaches must have current criminal background check by their respective associations.
- All coaches should act in manner consistent with their associations core values and remember to put the needs of children ahead of competition.
- Both home and away teams will assist in getting fields ready to play prior to the first game and will assist in closing the fields after the last game.
 - Hosting association is ultimately responsible for ensuring fields are unlocked in mornings and locked after final games.

Umpires Considerations:

- Two umpires will be used for all age levels in 10u, 12u, and 14u.
- All umpires must have current criminal background check by their respective associations.
- Only the head coaches for each team should address umpires.
 - Head coaches are responsible for conduct of their players, parents, and assistant coaches.
 - Umpires can suspend the game and eject coaches, players, and spectators if needed.

Field Locations:

- Richland Youth Association (RYA) ○ Richfield Park – 7250 Chapman Rd
 - Cross Timbers Park – 7680 Douglas Rd
- Justin Youth Sports Association (JYSA) ○ Justin Elem. School Fields - 425 Boss Range Rd ○ JYSA Fields – 420 Ovaletta Dr.
- Haslet Youth Association (HSA) ○ Haslet Fire Station Fields – 1701 FM 156 ○ Nance Field – 501 School House Rd