

WSSA Coastal Managers Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2022 @ Ogden Park

Participants:

Jay Harrington, President, Coastal Division
Norm Allen, Manager, Humana
Ed Dominelli, Manager, Carolina Sports Medicine (CSM)
Mike Last, Manager, Carrabba's
Walter Aaron, Assistant Manager, D&E Mitsubishi

Agenda:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and finalize the upcoming 2022 Coastal draft process and miscellaneous on-field issues.

1. #375 core balls will be used, as previously approved.
2. Infield fly rule will be reinstated, as previously approved. Umpire will be given discretion to determine if infield fly is to be called.
3. All extra innings will be played without International-tiebreaker rule with no runner being placed on 2nd base in extra innings.
4. No run through rule for 2nd and 3rd bases will be implemented. Runner will be allowed to avoid base by up to 1 foot in either direction to avoid collision. Umpire will be given discretion to determine if runner's move to miss base is appropriate.
5. Heat Rule, if game has been reached to make a game official (4 1/2 or 5 innings) the winner will be determined by the last full inning played. If a game is stopped before a regulation game is reached, then the game is suspended and will be picked up where game stopped at time of Heat Rule being instituted. Example: game has only been played for 4 innings or less, game is suspended. Only the Coastal President or designee can invoke the Heat Rule.
6. Courtesy runner running for another player who is still on base when it is his time to bat becomes an automatic out. A player can only serve as a courtesy runner once per inning. Subject to the above limitations, there is no limit on the number of courtesy runners a Manager can use during an inning.
7. Home Team Manager will determine if a game will be played with a 0-0 or 1-1 count. 1-1 count is encouraged during hot and humid conditions for player safety.
8. Coastal Draft will use the selection process recommended by Jay Harrington.
9. A Team fielding less than 9 players will forfeit the game. In the event an additional Team player becomes available within 30 minutes of the scheduled game's start time, the game can proceed without forfeit.

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10. A Team fielding 9 or 10 players may opt to borrow a catcher from the opposing Team; however, the last batting slot in the short-handed Team's order becomes an automatic out. The borrowed catcher will bat with his regular team. If an additional Player(s) becomes available to the short-handed Team during the game, that Player(s) can enter the line-up, but must bat in the last slot(s) in the order.

11. The following was agreed to by the League Presidents and the Umpires:

- a) Only a Manager or Assistant Manager can register a complaint with an Umpire, players are prohibited from doing so. Judgement calls made by an Umpire will not be challenged, only possible mistakes in rules interpretation may be challenged. A Manager may lodge a protest with the President regarding possible rule misinterpretations.
- b) Any player berating or directing derogatory comments towards an Umpire will be subject to ejection from the game. A player ejected from the 1st game by an Umpire must leave the playing area, go to the parking lot, and must sit out the 2nd game. Failure to do so will result in his Team's forfeiting of the game.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Dominelli