

# 2025 EGLL Opening Day Rules

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- (1) All teams on all levels use a continuous batting order. This includes Majors, Juniors, and Seniors (baseball and softball). Free substitutions on defense.
- (2) Make sure everybody gets at least one At-Bat and one inning in the field. If all of your batters have not batted by the last inning, notify the umpire and extend the last inning to make sure every player gets to bat.
- (3) Be warmed up and ready to play when your game is scheduled. Do NOT begin warm-ups at game time. No infield warm-ups before the game. We must keep the games moving or the whole schedule backs up. When your game time has come, start the game. Keep the time between innings to a minimum, get the teams in and out quickly and start.
- (4) After the game, clear out of the dugout immediately. If you want to meet with your team, get them out of the dugout, take them outside of the fence, and then have your meeting. We need to get the next game started.
- (5) Each game is a “half-game” exhibition game as follows:
  - T-Ball – One inning
  - Coach Pitch BB & SB, Machine Pitch BB – Two innings
  - Minors BB & SB, Majors BB & SB – Three innings
  - Juniors BB & SB, Seniors BB – Four innings

Play the complete bottom of the last inning, even if the home team is winning. The games do NOT count in the standings.
- (6) T-Ball, Coach Pitch SB, and Machine Pitch BB – Bat the entire batting order each inning. If players are out, remove them from the bases, but continue batting until everybody has batted. Play all players on defense every inning.
- (7) Minors, Majors, Junior (BB & SB) – Five run rule is in effect. Maximum of five runs scored per inning. Substitute all your players defensively in the second inning so that everybody gets in the game. After that, free defensive substitutions.
- (8) Minors BB, Majors BB – Pitchers can pitch a maximum of one inning. Exception: For teams playing two games, the pitcher is limited to one inning per game. So a pitcher can pitch one inning in the first game and one inning in the second game.
- (9) Juniors BB, Seniors BB – Pitchers can pitch a maximum of two innings. Exception: For teams playing two games, the pitcher is limited to a maximum of two innings in a game, but no more than three total innings in the day.