

FALL OVER 30 BASEBALL LEAGUE

RULEBOOK 2021

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Welcome to the Lombard Park District Over 30 Baseball Program!

These programs are designed to meet the Baseball needs of the residents and non-residents of Lombard. Leagues are organized in an effort to meet a variety of skill levels. Although we open our leagues to skill levels ranging from recreational to competitive, remember this is for FUN. Have a safe and enjoyable fall season!

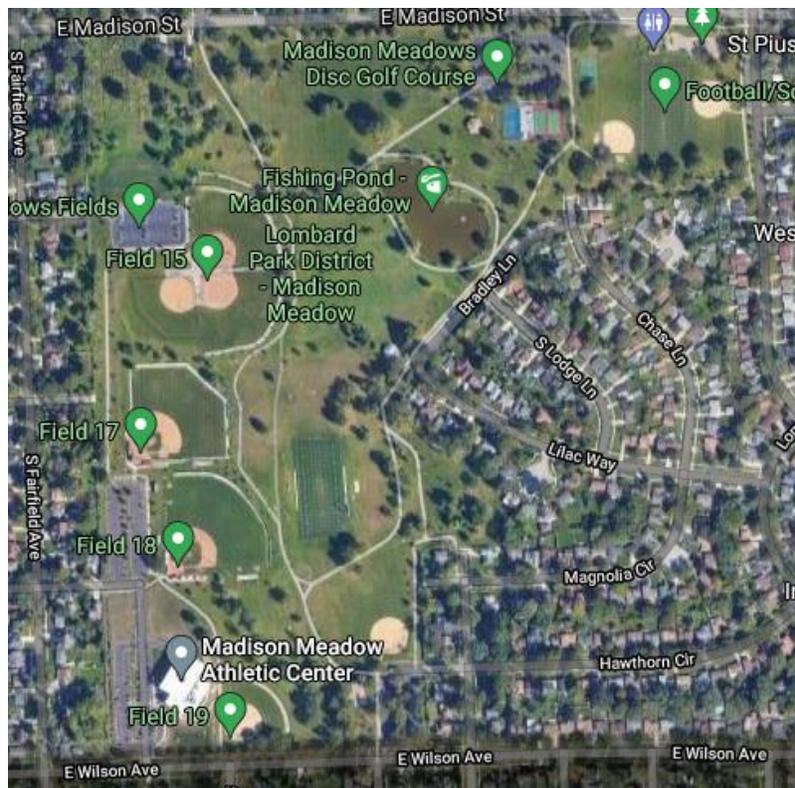
If you have any questions, comments or suggestions about our program, please feel free to contact any of the Park District Staff:

Any questions concerning this booklet, please call (630) 620-7322.

Baseball Field Locations:

1 – Madison Meadow Park - #17 & #18 – Corner of Fairfield and Taylor

For Directions see the map or call 620-7322.



Registration Information:

Registration will be done as follows:

- A resident team is defined as a team made up of 70% Lombard Park District residents on the roster. Five or more non-residents constitute a non-resident team. **Teams claiming residency will need to provide proof for all players at time of registration.**

- Please be ready at the time of registration, to supply the Park District with the captain and co-captain's names, addresses, home and work phone. You may pay by cash, check, or credit card. Checks are to be made payable to the **Lombard Park District** and turned in with your roster. You will not be guaranteed a spot in the league until full payment is received.

- Finalized rosters are due at the third game for your team. After this no changes may be made to your roster.**

- The Lombard Park District is not responsible for incorrect information on registration or roster forms. Please inform the Park District of any change in address or phone numbers so you will receive correct information about changes, meetings or make-ups.

League Overview:

<u>Registration #</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Fee</u>
301210-01 A	Tu, Su	08/18	\$930/R \$1030/NR
301210-02 B	Th, Su	08/20	\$930/R \$1030/NR
301210-03 C	W, Su	08/19	\$930/R \$1030/NR

Eligibility:

1. Players must be 30 years of age as of the start of the Over 30 baseball league to be eligible. (August 20th)
2. 2 players ages 28-30 may be rostered, but can not pitch
3. If a player is ruled ineligible, all games in which he/she participated will be forfeited.
4. No player will be allowed to be rostered on 2 or more teams in the same league.

General Rules:

1. Completed rosters and waivers are due by your team's third game. A player can be replaced for medical reasons if a doctor's note is given. No other addition can be made during the season.
2. Rosters are limited to 25 players.
3. Team members must wear the same colored shirts.
4. All umpires decisions will be considered final. No protests will be allowed, except for eligibility questions.
5. The Lombard Park District does not assume responsibility for any type of injury or loss of property.

6. The Lombard Park District and/or league supervisor reserves the right to change team names or refuse entry of any player, sponsor, spectator or team if in our opinion it is contrary to Park District ordinances, rules or philosophies.
7. A ten-minute grace period will be allowed for the first game played every day/night.
8. Result sheets will be final. After each game the team captain should sign off on the results. If there is no signature the results cannot be contested.
9. A team may start or end with 8 players. The 9th batter will only be considered an out if the team started with 9 players unless the 9th batter is out due to injury. If both teams have fewer than 8 players then the umpire will declare a double forfeit. Both teams can start with 8 players.
10. Courtesy runners can be used for four individuals throughout the game with full stealing ability. Each additional individual chosen to have a courtesy runner will not have stealing privileges. However, if discussed prior to the game, the captains can agree to allow more courtesy runners with stealing privileges. Please discuss the number of courtesy runners with the other captain before the game regardless of the number you are using. The incoming courtesy runner will be the individual who made the last batted out. If the last batted out is the pitcher or catch for the next inning then the team can choose to use previous last batted out.
11. Batting order does not have a limit to the number of batters for a team. If a batter is subbed out then he must reenter at the same position in the batting order. This is referred to as using an A B batting order.
12. All bats must be Wood or BBCOR .50
13. The home team will keep the remaining balls after each game. It is useful to keep these separate from your practice balls and use them as back-up games balls as game balls can be lost pretty quickly due to the residential and construction areas.
14. Ejections/leavers count as an out in batting order if no sub. Injured players will not be ruled an out similar to rule 9.
15. Games are limited to 120 minutes or seven innings, whichever occurs first. An inning is not allowed to begin once the 120 minutes is reached. If 120 minutes is not reached, but 7 innings have been played and the game is tied then additional innings can be played until 120 minutes is reached or the game is not tied after an inning, whichever occurs first.
16. A complete game occurs if five innings or more are completed or if the home team is winning and at least four and a half innings are completed.
17. Runners must slide to avoid contact. A player may also stop running and declare that they are out if they wish not to slide. If contact is made with no effort to slide the runner can be called out and can be removed from the game.
- 18. NFHS rules apply to all other aspects of the game.**
19. If you are playing on the last game of the day on your field, the home team is responsible for raking the field and filling holes around the batter's boxes and pitcher's mound.
20. A slaughter will occur if a team is ahead by 15 after 5 innings or 10 after 6 innings.
21. The semis and championship games will be played to a full seven innings regardless of time limit.
22. If captains can agree to alternate rules in order to play a game then those rules are accepted for that game. Please inform the umpire of any captain agreements.

Tie Breaker Rules

Tie breakers will be determined in the following order:

1. Head to Head*
2. Head to Head Run Differential
3. Schedule Strength
4. Average Run Differential
5. Forfeits
6. Coin Flip

*In the case of more than two teams tied, the Major League Baseball tie breaker rules will be used. They can be found here:

<http://m.mlb.com/news/article/59527184/playoff-tiebreaker-rules>

Behavior Management:

All participants and spectators are expected to adhere to the Lombard Park District rules and philosophies as well as local, state and federal statutes at all times. Any individual who violates these rules will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including removal from the program.

Any individual who has been administered a disciplinary action has the right to an appeal. This appeal must be in writing and received within 24 hours of the disciplinary action. The Park District will review this appeal in a timely fashion and all disciplinary action will stay in effect while the appeal is reviewed.

Appeals should be directed to:

**Lombard Park District
Attn: Paul Friedrichs, Executive Director
227 W. Parkside Ave.
Lombard, IL 60148**

Official Scorebook:

To avoid confusion throughout the game, the home team will have the official scorebook. Any questions regarding scores, outs, or innings will be the responsibility of the home team. The home team will be listed second on the schedule.

Forfeits:

Teams who do not forfeit during the season will receive \$25 at the end of the season.

Teams who do forfeit:

- 1st Forfeit: Team loses refundable forfeit fee.
- 2nd Forfeit: Team must pay \$25 cash before next game.
- 3rd Forfeit: Team will be dropped from league without a refund.

Playoffs:

The top 66% of teams during the regular season will be asked to join a playoff bracket at the end of the year.

Award Money:

Regular Season	Minimums
1 st Place - 4%	\$200
2 nd Place – 2%	\$100
Tournament	
1 st Place – 2%	\$100

Percentages are based off of total revenue minus nonresident fees.

Alcoholic Beverages:

No alcoholic beverages are allowed. If any members of a team or the team's fans are seen consuming alcohol on school or Park property before, during or after their game risk forfeiture and disciplinary action up to and including removal from the league. Teams are responsible for their fans. It is up to the team to inform their fans of this policy.

-Smoking is not permitted on Lombard Park District Property.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct:

Any team or individual exhibiting unsportsmanlike acts towards members of another team, a umpire, spectators or any Park District representative before, during, or after the game, risks disciplinary action. The Park District reserves the right to administer disciplinary action including suspension, forfeit or expulsion if in our opinion any team or individual displays inappropriate behavior.

Ejection from a game:

Any player who is ejected from a game for any reason will receive an automatic one game suspension. This suspension will be served during the team's next league game. Any player ejected from a game must leave the bench and the gym area in a prompt manner. If they do not, they will face further disciplinary action up to and including removal from the league.

Illegal Players:

The use of an illegal player is prohibited. It is grounds for an immediate forfeit. If a team should request identification of a player, that player must provide a picture I.D. to the League Supervisor or the Official. If a player does not have a photo I.D. then they will be treated as an illegal player. Any team who uses an illegal player puts themselves in jeopardy of being expelled from the league. It is the captain's responsibility to make their team aware of this rule.

Liability Statement:

The Lombard Park District does not assume responsibility for any personal injury or loss that any team member or spectator may incur as a result of this program.

**Lombard Park District
Rainout Line
(630) 995-9491
www.lombardparks.com**

**Updated at 4:30 pm daily/ 7:45 am weekends
Check for weather and game schedule updates!
Clarify tie breakers once three or more is broken**