

January Webinar

**West Region**



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# Agenda:

- Charting and Insurance
- Out-of-Boundary Players 2021
- Softball Series
- District Travel Ball
- COVID Resources
- 2021 Rules Update
- League Supplies
- Reminders:
  - Grants Program
  - T-Mobile Call Up Grant
  - Sports Connect
  - Background Checks
  - Tax Deadline: Feb 16
  - DA End-of-year Report: Feb 1
  - Alternative Fields/Combined teams/Interleague





# Chartering and Insurance:

- Encourage leagues to charter/insure as soon as they are able, understanding the 2020 policies expired 1/1/2021
- Make sure to update league officers in Data Center
- Leagues should charter estimated number of teams they may have, knowing they can adjust accordingly; does not affect their Liability quote for 2021
- 2020 ASAP awards and District Incentives were credited to league/district accounts in Sept 2020

[2020/2021 Little League Season Insurance FAQ - Little League](#)

# CHARTERING CREDIT FROM 2020:

- **Check for credits to your League Account in the Data Center.** If your league has a credit, which will be shown in the “outstanding balance” box on the Data Center, that credit will be applied to your 2021 chartering and insurance enrollment.
- Little League International credited all chartered programs with the \$10 per team affiliation fees paid for their chartered teams in 2020, regardless of whether or not your league was able to hold a season last year. We hope this will help ease the financial burden of all leagues entering the 2021 season.
- Leagues who submitted an approved ASAP plan in 2020 also have received their program award based on 15% of their Accident Insurance premium credited through the Data Center.

**[2021 Season Chartering and Insurance Enrollment - Little League](#)**

# Chartering Stats:

## West Region-Charter Status Report

Chartered 2021 vs. 2020 teams chartered by the same leagues (as of the end of 2020).

West: 2020 Teams: 23,754  
West 2021 Teams: 18,989  
Change: -20.06%

States	2020	2021	Change%
Alaska:	335	331	-1.19%
Arizona:	2,592	2,288	-11.73%
California:	13,774	9,970	-27.62%
Hawaii:	167	165	-1.20%
Idaho:	294	298	-3.40%
Montana:	512	493	-3.71%
Nevada:	894	803	-10.18%
Oregon:	1,690	1,422	-15.86%
Utah:	49	49	0.00%
Washington:	3,172	2,908	-8.32%
Wyoming:	275	276	0.36%



# COVID Boundary Expansion

- District Administrator confirms that a local league will not be active in 2021. This is intended to be for the 2021 season, only
- Contiguous league agrees to expand boundaries to cover the territory
- District Administrator forwards request and district recommendation to Regional Office
- Boundary map is adjusted in the Little League mapping system
- Regional Office sends approval to local league



# Out of Boundary Players-Data Center

Leagues will be permitted to accept players who otherwise would not be eligible to participate in their league, if the player's home league has concluded or suspended all team activity for the 2021 season by adhering to the following process:

- League must submit a list of out of boundary players through the approved process on the Little League Data Center coming in early 2021:
  1. *Player information (Player's name, league age, Parent/Legal Guardian contact information)*
  2. *Player's Home league*
- District Administrator to review list of out of boundary players
- Regional Office will review and provide final approval with supporting waiver documentation from home league

**Link: [Player Eligibility and Approved Rulings for 2021 - Little League](#)**

# Softball Squad

## Webinar Series – Softball Moms and Dads

A new webinar series, just for Little League Softball® families. Presented with Sue Enquist, Founder of One Softball and former UCLA Head Softball Coach.

Hosted by Nina Johnson-Pitt, Little League Senior Strategy Executive and mom of three. Airing Live on [Facebook/LittleLeague.org](https://www.facebook.com/LittleLeague.org),

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**WEDNESDAY, 1/27 AT 7:30 P.M. EASTERN**

[#GirlsWithGame - Little League](https://www.facebook.com/LittleLeague.org)






# Little League® District Travel Program

All children are welcome on the Little League® field. As we look to provide more opportunities to support the baseball and softball players in our communities, the Little League® District Travel program was established to bring a new, competitive playing opportunity.

No other youth baseball and softball organization values the safety and well-being of all its participants like Little League International does. The District Travel Program is an opportunity to bring a “select team experience” to your community that is rooted in Little League’s core pillars, following all Little League playing rules and regulations including our arm safety guidelines, and structured to bring additional playing opportunity within the Little League program.



# Little League® District Travel Program

## How do I get started?

Districts offering this program will be provided with a new league ID (separate from their regular district ID); essentially, by bringing this opportunity to your district, you're creating a new, distinct "league" within your district. To indicate you're interested in starting this program, contact your regional office.

[Little League® District Travel Program - Little League](#)

[What District Administrators and Staff Need to Know - Little League](#)



# SEASON RESOURCES: COVID-19

1

[Season Resources - Little League](#)

All Available Resources:

2

[Organizing, Playing, And Watching Games - Little League](#)

Best Practices

3

[Coronavirus FAQs - Little League](#)

FAQs

# SEASON RESOURCES: COVID-19

1

Prepare - Little League

Prepare for the season

2

Play - Little League

Play

3

Webinars - Little League

Instructional Webinars

# Approved Rulings unique to 2021.

- **Uniforms/Patches**
- **Little League® International-Approved Players through Charter Committee Waivers**
- **Regulation II(d) and IV(h) Waivers**
- **Rosters**

## Player Eligibility and Approved Rulings for 2021 - Little League



# Rules Update:

Significant updates:

[Rule Changes and Clarifications - Little League](#)

Appendices:

[Appendices - Little League](#)

Operating Policy:

[Operating Policies and Position Statements - Little League](#)



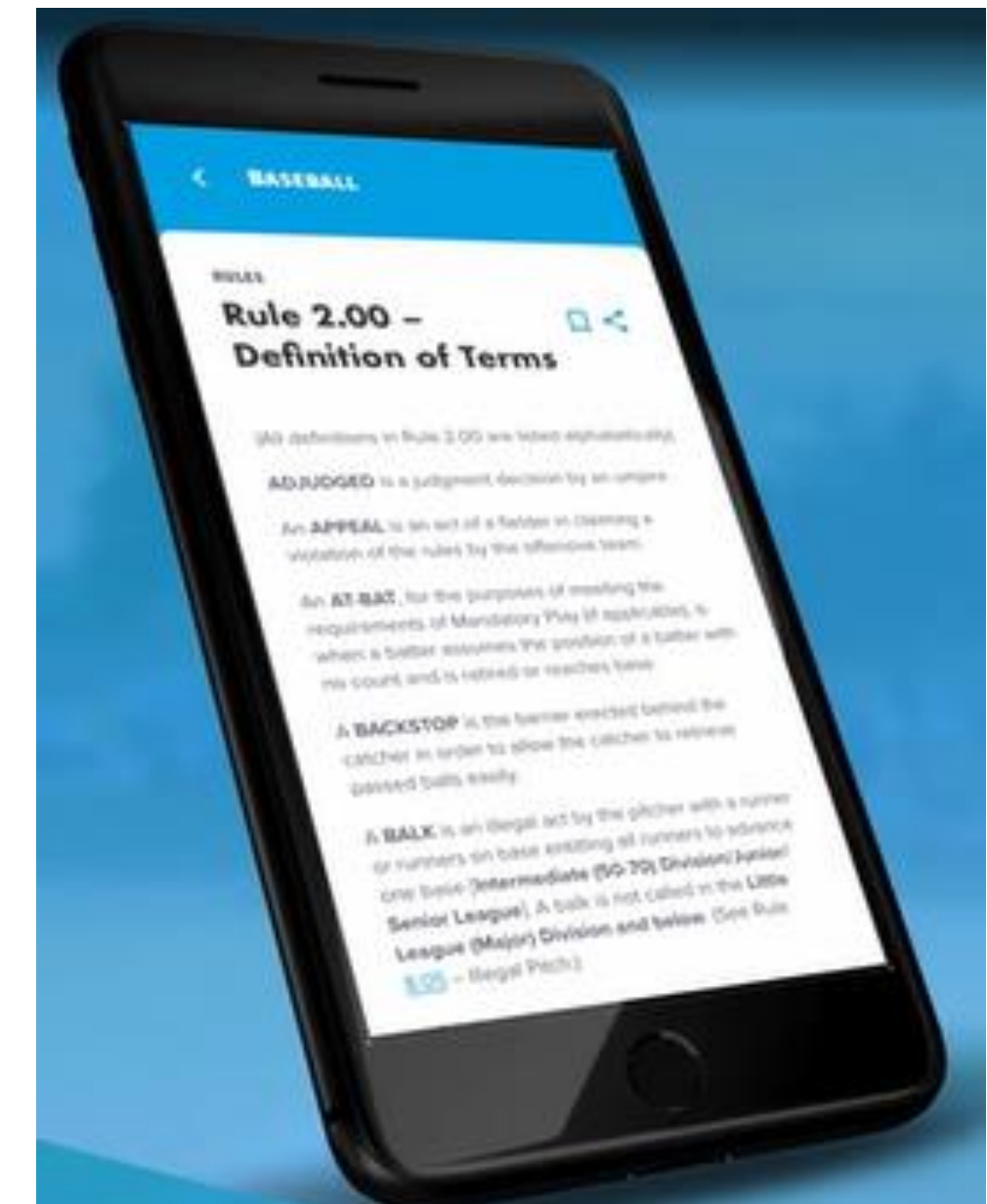
# RULE BOOK APP: PLEASE USE

All Three Rulebooks In One Easy-To-Use App!

## FEATURES

- Baseball, Softball, and Challenger Rulebooks
- Fully Searchable
- Exclusive Rule Interpretation Videos
- Bookmark Content For Quick and Easy Reference
- Easily Share Content to Email, Text, Social, and More
- Push Notifications For Important In-Season Updates

[Rulebook App - Little League](#)



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**League Supplies this year will include:**

- Three Little League Baseball<sup>®</sup> Rulebooks
- Three Little League Softball<sup>®</sup> Rulebooks
- One Little League Challenger Division<sup>®</sup> Rulebook
  - One Little League Tee Ball Curriculum
  - Other assorted sponsor related items

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[Little League \(shoplittleleague.org\)](http://shoplittleleague.org)



# UPCOMING UMPIRE TRAINING:

**January 31 @ 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

[Virtual Softball Umpire Clinic - Basics of Umpiring Bases - Little League](#)



February 14 <sup>th</sup>	4:30pm (PST)
February 21 <sup>th</sup>	4:30pm (PST)
February 28 <sup>th</sup>	4:30pm (PST)
March 7 <sup>th</sup>	4:30pm (PST)
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	4:30pm (PST)
March 21 <sup>st</sup>	4:30pm (PST)
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	4:30pm (PST)
April 11 <sup>th</sup>	4:30pm (PST)
April 18 <sup>th</sup>	4:30pm (PST)

# Reminders:

[Grant Resources - Little League](#)

[T-Mobile Little League® Call Up Grant Program - Little League](#)



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National, State and International opportunities

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Helping cover registration fees for families in need.

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# Reminders:

[Sports Connect FAQs - Little League](#)

[State Laws on Background Checks for Local Leagues - Little League](#)

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Sports Connect: things to know for 2021

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Background Checks: know your state laws.

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# TAX EXEMPT STATUS REMINDER:

- Each local league and district is responsible for submitting a federal tax return to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Any non-profit organization that does not file the proper 990 Form with the IRS for three consecutive years automatically loses its federal tax exemption resulting in the organization's income becoming taxable and contributors being unable to report their contributions as tax deductions. This year's filing deadline is February 16, 2021.
- Please be sure to check with your state and file the appropriate state forms, if required. If you need additional information, you can contact Becky Bassett, at: 570-326-1921, ext. 2228; or email: [bbassett@LittleLeague.org](mailto:bbassett@LittleLeague.org).

# DA YEAR-END REPORTS:

Be sure you have completed and submitted your year-end reports through the [Little League® Data Center](#); and expect your evaluation review to come from your respective regional headquarters.

**Deadline: February 1**

**NEXT WEBINAR:**

**February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm (PST)**