

CFSL Player Inclusion Policy PIP:

As part of the CFSL PIP Policy, specific applications impact the rules of play. Below is a list outlining how the PIP Policy should be implemented. This list is not exhaustive, and any interpretations not covered below will be at the discretion of the UIC and the Board.

Application of Policy:

- There are two options for a PIP Runner:
 - Batter must make it safely to first base upon contact with the ball and cannot advance beyond first base.
 - Batter will receive a runner from Home Plate upon contact with the ball.
- All PIP Runners must stop at First Base.
- PIP Decisions are made by the CFSL Board after review of PIP Application.
- PIP Cards will be presented to players approved by CFSL Board.
- All PIP cards must be delivered to the plate umpire for each at-bat. Lineups should be marked when shared with the other team and officials to indicate PIP players.
- Players with PIP approval may not choose to forgo the accommodation. If they fail to use it, they will lose the accommodation for the remainder of the season.
- If a player does not have their PIP card present, they will not be allowed to use a PIP runner for that game. However, this will not result in a loss of PIP approval unless the player repeatedly abuses this policy.
- The PIP Policy states that the runner will be the last recorded out.
 - If there has not yet been an out in the game, the runner will be the batter furthest away in the lineup who is not on base.
 - If the last out is also a PIP player, defer to the last recorded out before that or, if necessary, the batter furthest away in the lineup who is not on base.
 - If the last out is on base after being used as a courtesy runner, defer to the last recorded out before that or, if necessary, the batter furthest away in the lineup.
- If a batter is due to bat while acting as a PIP runner, replace them on base with the previous out, and the batter will take their turn at-bat with no penalty.
- If a pitcher has a PIP designation, it takes precedence over the courtesy runner rule for pitchers. The PIP Policy must be followed, and a courtesy runner may not be used in place of the PIP accommodation.
- A PIP accommodation cannot be used when substituting a PIP-approved player into the game for a player already on base.
- A courtesy runner may not be used for a PIP runner, except in the case of injury, as per USA rules of play.
- A substitute may not be used for a PIP runner.
- If an incorrect runner touches a base and the mistake is discovered, the incorrect runner should be removed, and the correct runner should be placed on base with no penalty. Both teams are responsible for keeping an accurate record to ensure the correct runner is used.
- If the last recorded out has been substituted out of the game, the player who replaced them before their at-bat will be the designated runner. A substitution may not be made for the last recorded out to manipulate the runner selection.