

Five Cities Score Keeper Responsibilities:

- Each game should have 2 scorekeepers per game. One from the home team, one from the visiting team.
- The home team is responsible for the official book.
- The books can be found in a metal basket behind the snack bar. Each basket is labeled for each division and field. Please get the book for the correct division and field. For example, if you are 12U and playing on Field 1 you would choose the book from the 12U drawer that has 12U Field 1 written on the outside.
- The visiting team should have a team book (you can get a paper book for your team at the beginning of the season in the baskets). This book should stay with your team.
- Please provide your own pencil/red pencil. ~~There is a pencil pouch in each drawer for each game. In the pouch you will find a pencil, red pencil, sharpener, etc. Both the home and visitor may use these supplies~~
- When you are finished make sure both coaches know and agree on the final score. **The coaches must report the final game score via a team sideline email they will receive after the game.**
- Write the final score at the top of the score page for the visiting team. Return the home book to the basket.
- Electronic scorekeeping (ie. iscore or game changer) can be used rather than using the paper book. If your team chooses this option your scores MUST be reported via the team sideline email. Teams will lose electronic scoring privileges if scores are not report in a timely manner - and paper scoring will only be allowed. Don't forget to have your Coach/Manager report the final score!!! This is optional, you do not have to use electronic scoring.

How to Keep Score:

To learn how to keep score, please watch this [YouTube video](#). We keep score exactly the same way with 3 exceptions:

- The video discusses a 4-run rule per half ending, meaning when a team scores 4 runs in during their at bat, the inning ends. We have the same rule, but our rule is 5 runs.
- You do not have to notate how the out was made for any divisions. The video shows how to notate how an out was made. For example, if the ball was hit to the shortstop who threw to first base for an out, it would be noted in the scorebook as a 6-3 out (the shortstop position is noted as the #6 positions and the first baseman is noted as the #3 positions). You do not need to do this, just writing the out in red pencil and circling it is fine.

Thank you for learning to keep score! You will be a very valuable parent to your coach, and you will get the best seat in the house! If you have any questions, please contact your division representative.