



2020 NABL Shortened Season Rules (updated August 16th 2020)

Updates are shown in red below.

Thanks everyone in advance for being flexible. We're going to have to adapt to the MLB season if there are ongoing changes. Here is the plan based on the 60-game MLB schedule that runs July 23-Sept 27.

- 1. Entry fees/payouts – eliminated for 2020.** I have collected entry fees for 2020 from everyone (except Eric H). These will be applied to next season. If you need it back, send me a message and I'll gladly refund it. Unclear if CBS will be awarding the championship bobblehead, but I'm guessing not because the site is free for 2020.
- 2. Roster sizes – increase by one Injured slot.** We already have 4, so what the heck, why not one more. This will be implemented immediately. No other roster size or salary cap changes, so you may have some juggling.
- 3. Modified schedule and playoffs**
 - a. Trade Deadline.** 11:59 pm ET Monday September 7. Yes a Monday.
 - b. Last Day of NABL Regular Season.** Thursday September 17. Yes a Thursday.
 - c. Wild Card Series.** Eliminated for 2020.
 - d. NABL Super Series.** Friday Sept 18 – Sunday Sept 27 + MLB tiebreaker games. ~10 days.
 - i. Super Series participants.** 2 division champs + one wild card (next best)
- 4. Salary increases – as previously announced.**
 - a. No MLB experience.** \$2 increase (i.e. taxi squad does not count as MLB experience)
 - b. All other players.** Raise will be 14.8% of current salary or \$3, whichever is greater.
 - i.** 14.8% is based on a 60-game MLB season. $60/162 * 40\%$. This could change. **It appears that some MLB teams may play less than 60 games. I'll pick a number that represents the majority of MLB teams.**
 - ii.** At 14.8%, players that are \$23 or below will be a \$3 raise.
- 5. Post-season.** For now, NABL will plan to go through the normal keeper/Winter Draft/Spring auction cycle during the off-season.

6. Position eligibility. Position eligibility rules for 2020 remain unchanged. Position eligibility for 2021 will be altered – hitters and RPs will only need 5 games in 2020; SPs will only need 2 starts in 2020. They can also gain eligibility the normal way – 5 games in 2021 (or 2 starts).