

8 and Under Girls Overview and League Rules

BFSA 8U Brookings Fastpitch League Rules

- 60 minute time limit, when time runs out you will play out the inning – New Inning will NOT start with less than 5 minutes remaining
- Coaches pitch all innings, 6 pitches per batter
- All coaches must pitch from the pitching circle.
- If the ball is not hit in 6 pitches then 1 try with tee.
- No stealing of bases
- Leading off is not allowed
- Coaches are allowed on the field to instruct
- Open substitution
- All players play defense, (Pitcher, Catcher, 4 infield positions and extras in the outfield)
- All players bat
- Limit 5 runs per inning or 3 outs
- One base on an overthrow

The rules of the ASA will be followed with the followed with following exceptions:

1. Our primary objective is to create an environment in which the participants have fun, learn good sportsmanship, & develop softball skills. Coaches are responsible for ensuring that this objective is met and for the conduct of their players, parents & fans. The use of tobacco, alcohol or any other controlled substance by an umpire, coach or other volunteer during a softball game is prohibited.
2. This is a physical sport & injury may result.
3. Coin flip will determine home team.
4. Catchers must wear a mask & chest protector.
5. All batters & base runners will wear batting helmets with chinstraps & facemasks.
6. Please have the catcher ready early to keep the game moving.
7. All players bat. Late arriving players will be added to the end of the line-up with no penalty.
8. Stealing and leading off not allowed.
9. When the ball is thrown into the infield from the outfield, runners must stop.
10. Runners are encouraged to slide if close play at home.
11. Courtesy runners allowed during league play – must be last player to get out.
12. The infield-fly rule is NOT in effect.
13. The infield should consist of a catcher, pitcher, a shortstop & three basemen. The outfield will have the remaining players. The outfielders may not set up in the infield. Coaches may be in the field to help instruct their defensive players but must be positioned in grass in outfield behind or next to outfielders.
14. No Cell Phones allowed on field of play, this includes coaches.
15. 5 run rule per inning. This includes last inning and games can end in a tie.
16. The player up to bat & the on-deck player are the only two people that are allowed to swing the bat.
17. Players who are not batting or running bases should be on their bench.
18. Games must stop if there is lightning. However, games will be played in the rain as long as it is just sprinkling.
19. Each team is responsible for cleaning out their dugout.