



Rec Season Game Rules
6U Division

Section 14.01: General Information

1. The League's Executive Board has the responsibility for enforcement of League rules. They shall implement and enforce these rules, the League's Code of Conduct and Ethics and all other such direction approved by the Board.
2. Any questions, comments, complaints or other correspondence regarding rules, regulation and policies should be first directed to the Board Member on Duty then to the Executive Board. In making any discretionary decisions; the Board's primary duty shall be to act in the best interest of good sportsmanship and fair play.
3. The requirements of the League's Rules shall not be suspended by agreement between Managers, Coaches, Umpires, or any other person.
4. Home Team
 - a. Shall occupy the third (3rd) base dugout
 - b. Shall play defense first (1st)
5. Visiting Team
 - a. Shall occupy the first (1st) base dugout
 - b. Shall play offense first (1st)
6. Only Board approved personnel shall be allowed on the playing field or in the dugout.
7. A maximum of four (4) adults will be allowed in the dugout at any one time.
8. A female chaperone is required to be either in the dugout or in the immediate area during games.
9. No cheers considered derogatory or directed at a single player, such as a pitcher or catcher, will be allowed in the league. We value the relationships amongst our players, and consider such "cheers" to be unsportsmanlike conduct.

Section 14.02: Field Prep

1. Home team shall be responsible for pre-game field preparation.
 - a. Drag or rake to make field safe and playable
 - b. Chalk base lines, batters boxes, pitching circle, five (5) foot arc, running lane, coaches boxes, on deck circle
 - c. Place bases
 - d. Place pitching mound at correct distance
 - e. Water if necessary
2. Visiting team shall be responsible for post-game field repair
 - a. Drag or rake entire field
 - b. Repair any damage made by pitchers or batter using clay and/or other materials provided
 - c. Water if necessary
3. Following every game, both home and visiting teams shall clean their dugout AND spectator viewing area ensuring that all trash is in trash cans and any left items are turned in to the lost and found.
4. Teams shall not warm up in the field of play, but may use the foul territory and the outfield grass.

Section 14.03: Managers/Coaches

1. Shall meet with each other and the game official (if applicable) prior to the beginning of the game
2. Are allowed on the playing field as needed to coach their team's players with the following guidelines:
 - a. Up to three (4) coaches may be in the field of play when their team is on defense
 - b. Up to three (3) coaches may be in the field of play when their team is on offense.
 - i. One coach in the first (1st) base coaching box
 - ii. One coach in the third (3rd) base coaching box
 - iii. One coach behind the catcher to help the game move along faster
3. Will keep all players in the dugout when not in the field of play.
4. Will ensure all players are wearing proper equipment including fielding masks

Section 14.04: General Rules

1. All games in this division shall be 1:00 Drop Dead; unless otherwise noted as in the case of tournaments or Opening Day games.
2. A team may start and finish a game with any number of players.
3. There is no limit on runs allowed.
4. No scores or standings will be kept for any games, as these games are considered practice and instructional.
5. Players that arrive late will be placed at the bottom of the lineup.
6. Scheduled teams shall use shared players if a team is short players if mutually agreed upon.

Section 14.05: Defensive Players

1. All girls present on the team will play when their team is on defense.
2. Six (6) players may play the infield, including a catcher, with the rest of the players positioned in the outfield.
 - a. Outfield is considered anywhere behind the baseline.
 - b. A team with 9 players must include all standard positions (including a catcher), the tenth and subsequent player(s) can be a second pitcher and/or additional outfield.
3. No player shall play two (2) consecutive innings in the outfield.
4. No player shall play two (2) consecutive innings at the pitching position.
5. Please be sure to keep catchers clear from the batter's "swing zone".
6. The pitcher(s) must remain within the pitching circle until the ball is hit. A team may choose to play 2 pitchers based upon above.
 - a. In the interest of player development, if the pitcher fields a ball hit by the batter, a throw must be made to a base. The pitcher may not run to a base to try and beat the runner.
7. Four (4) coaches will be allowed to be on the field when their team is on defense. These coaches must be listed as coaches on the team's official roster. Brief instructions may be given (demonstrated) during the game.
 - a. Three (3) coaches may be in the field of play on the grass/outfield area.
 - b. One (1) coach may be outside the dugout fence, but may not cross into the field of play.

Section 14.06: Batting

1. Batting line up shall consist of all players present.
2. Each team during their at bat shall bat their entire lineup which shall rotate each inning.
 - a. For example, in inning one (1) batters will be #1-#10. The 10th batter will be the home run hitter. Inning two (2) batters #2-#1 will bat with batter #1 being the home run hitter, and so on.
 - b. Batting order should continue to rotate throughout the season so that each girl has an opportunity to be the home run hitter.
3. The ball must travel past the chalked arc line **may be chalked or not as older games are usually after 6U games*** (placed approximately 5 feet in front of the plate and extending from the first (1st) base line to the third (3rd) base line to be in play. Bunting is not allowed
4. Any ball thrown by a defensive player to the pitcher in the pitching position that goes through the pitching circle creates a dead ball and play stops.
5. Runners are awarded one base in a hit to the infield. Balls hit to the outfield (must touch grass) are awarded two bases max. There are no 'outs'. This is in the spirit of player development, and offensive coaches discretion.
6. The last batter of an inning shall be the "homerun hitter".
 - a. The team will continue to bat their entire lineup until the last batter hits the ball
 - b. Any runners on base at the time of the last at bat for an inning, run around the horn.

Section 14.07: Baserunning

1. No lead offs or stealing bases is permitted.
2. A base runner may not leave their base until the ball has been released from the pitchers hand.

Section 14.08: Pitching

1. A coach may choose to coach pitch, or start with a tee. This is coaching discretion and can be different for each player. The decision shall be made in the spirit of individual player development.
2. Each girl will be limited to four (4) pitches.
 - a. Coach shall have one foot touching the pitcher's plate while pitching
 - b. If the batter is unsuccessful after four (4) pitches, the tee will then be brought out and used until fair contact is made and hit past the five (5) foot mark
 - c. If the fourth (4th) pitch is fouled, the batter shall receive a fifth (5th) pitch. If that pitch is also fouled, the batter shall receive a sixth (6th) pitch. If the sixth (6th) pitched is fouled, the tee will then be brought out and used until fair contact is made and hit past the five (5) foot mark.