



# Minors Division (6 yrs. old) Recreational League Rules

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- 1) All girls will play an equal number of innings infield and outfield and will sit an equal number of innings.
- 2) There will be up to 10 girls on the field at a time. If a team is shorthanded, they may borrow players from the other team.
- 3) Outfielders MUST play on the outfield grass. No outfielder may run in with the ball and make a tagging play in the infield.
- 4) There will be a continuous batting order. The half inning ends with 3 outs or when 10 batters have batted. The batting order shall be rotated each game giving all girls an equal opportunity to bat at the top of the line-up.
- 5) The coach will select an adult to pitch to their team.
- 6) Each girl is entitled to 3 swinging strikes or 5 pitches. There are no strikeouts. If the player fails to put the ball in play after 3 strikes or the 5<sup>th</sup> pitch, then the player bats from the tee.
- 7) No stealing or leading off base. Runners may not leave the base until a ball is hit. Base runners are out if they slide.
- 8) **Batting helmets with a facemask and chin strap must be worn** by the batter, the on deck batter, base runners and player playing the pitching position. Catcher must wear all equipment (mask, helmet, protector and guards) at all times – games and practice.
- 9) Play will stop when a player throws a fielded ball. If between bases when the ball is thrown, the runner may continue to the next base at her own risk.
- 10) A hit batter is not awarded 1<sup>st</sup> base.
- 11) No infield fly rule.
- 12) Defensive coaches (limit of 2) are allowed on the field at all times to instruct the girls. If the ball hits these coaches, the play still continues.
- 13) The game consists of 45 minutes practice session followed by a game. The game will end after 2 hours from the scheduled starting time. The Coordinator will STOP play at the first sign of lightning. The Coordinator will then decide when it is safe to continue the game.
- 14) **An adult female must be present at each game and practice.**
- 15) Baseline will be 40 feet.
- 16) Offensive coaches are responsible for all base calls. The 1<sup>st</sup> base Coach is responsible for Home Plate and 1<sup>st</sup> base. The 3<sup>rd</sup> base Coach is responsible for 2<sup>nd</sup> base and 3<sup>rd</sup> base.
- 17) No score will be kept. Therefore, there is no winner or loser. After each game, all players and coaches will line up and do the good game thing.

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