

HOUSE RULES

GAME TIME AND SCORING

All games in PW, JR, INT, are 1½ hours in duration, SR and MAJ are 2 hours.
No new inning shall be started with less than 15 minutes left in the allotted time.
Final “open” inning at umpire discretion due to time constraints.
Junior / Intermediate maximum of 5 innings, Majors / Seniors maximum of 7 innings.

Maximum 5 runs scored per inning. In the event that a team comes to bat and is behind by more than 5 runs, that team may be allowed to catch up (tie) but not go ahead. Last inning is an open inning. If the home team has won the game before their last at bats, they may with permission of the other team, take their turn at bats. In the event any game ends in a tie, it will remain a tie.

THE PITCH

(MAJORS) A female batter may request a slower pitch prior to the first pitch each time at bat. The speed of the pitch allowed to females is at the discretion of the Home plate umpire only. If a female batter has requested a slower pitch, and the pitcher has delivered a fast pitch, it is considered a ball. If a player continues to pitch illegally after being warned by the umpire, he/she may be banned from pitching for the rest of the game.

PITCHERS

Pitchers may only pitch a maximum of 4 innings in the seniors and Majors division and a maximum of 3 innings in the intermediate division. Any part of an inning they pitch in, will count as an inning.
Only the figure eight and bowling style pitch will be allowed. Pitch must be an “easy pitch”
No slingshot pitches.

All Pitches must be legal figure eight or bowling ball orthodox style only.

(SENIORS, INTERMEDIATE) Pitch must be an “easy pitch”
ie. Giving the batter a reasonable chance of hitting the ball.

GAME PLAY AND REGULATIONS

All games use the orange safety bag at first base. Any play at first, the runner is restricted to orange bag and fielder to the white. If during a play at first, the runner touches the white bag first he may be called out at the umpires discretion. If there is no play at first the runner is expected to use the white bag but may touch the orange on first contact.

PLAYOFFS

Teams must have at least nine batters in their lineup, If a team has less than 9, the 9th spot in the order is an automatic out when that spot comes up in the order.

All players, coaches, game officials, and spectators are expected to adhere to the Code of Conduct.

PARTICIPANT CONDUCT

No jewellery may be worn

Team shirts must be worn and remain unaltered. No player will be permitted to play without their team shirt.

Helmets and chin straps must remain on from dug out to dug out

EXCEPTIONS TO THE STANDARD SOFTBALL RULES

JUNIORS : No dropped third strike rule. Player cannot run if striking out.
: No base stealing
: No infield fly rule
: sliding is discouraged but not penalized.
: One base on overthrow that enters the dug out at 1st and 3rd base. (KP)
(SH A & B) Ball must travel at least 10 ft. beyond 1st and/or 3rd base.
: Pitchers may pitch a maximum of 3 innings per game

INTERMEDIATE : No dropped third strike rule, batter cannot run if striking out.
: No base stealing.
: No infield fly rule.
: One base on overthrow that enters the dug out at 1st and 3rd base. (KP)
(SH A & B) Ball must travel at least 10 ft. beyond 1st and/or 3rd base.
: Pitchers may pitch a maximum of 3 innings per game
: Double knock out Playoff

SENIORS : No dropped third strike rule. Player cannot run if striking out
: Stealing is permitted
: The infield fly rule is in effect
: One base on overthrow that enters the dug out at 1st and 3rd base. (KP)
(SH A & B) Ball must travel at least 10 ft. beyond 1st and / or 3rd base.
: Pitchers may pitch a maximum of 4 innings per game
: Double knock out playoff

MAJORS : The dropped third strike rule is in effect
: Stealing is permitted
: The infield fly rule is in effect
: One base on overthrow that enters the dug out at 1st and 3rd base. (KP)
(SH A & B) Ball must travel at least 10 ft. beyond 1st and/or 3rd base.
: Pitchers may pitch a maximum of 4 innings per game
: Double knock out playoff

ALL DIVISIONS : Play is dead when the pitcher is in control of the ball within the baselines, unless a circle is provided around the pitchers rubber.
: When a batter is walked, it is to 1st base only.

Please use common sense. Basic rules of softball only. This game is for the Kids, not for coaches, parents or executive.

