

# GIRLS SOFTBALL T-BALL DIVISION

AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES WILL BE FOLLOWED, EXCEPT WHERE AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING:

1. BASE DISTANCE: 60'.
2. SHOES MUST BE WORN. NO STEEL CLEATS!
3. TEAMS MAY START OR CONTINUE A GAME WITH A MINIMUM OF SIX (6) PLAYERS. TEAMS MUST BEGIN AT SCHEDULED GAME TIME IF SIX (6) OR MORE PLAYERS ARE PRESENT AT GAME TIME. IF LESS THAN SIX (6) PLAYERS ARE PRESENT, A TEN-MINUTE GRACE PERIOD FROM SCHEDULED GAME TIME WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE 6 O'CLOCK GAME ONLY.
4. (A) A BATTING ORDER OF ALL GIRLS PRESENT AT GAME TIME WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE OPPOSING COACH. ANY LATE ARRIVALS WILL BE ADDED TO THE BOTTOM OF THE LIST. EACH GIRL WILL BAT IN THE ORDER LISTED.  
(B) THE TURN AT-BAT OF EACH TEAM SHALL CONSIST OF ALL PLAYERS PRESENT, REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY OUTS ARE RECORDED.  
(C) A CHILD MAY BE REMOVED FROM THE LINE-UP WITHOUT AN "AUTOMATIC OUT" IN THE CASE OF INJURY OR NEED TO LEAVE EARLY. PLAYERS MAY BE DEPRIVED OF THE PLAYING TIME FOR DISCIPLINARY REASONS OR CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM ONLY WITH PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE LEAGUE DIRECTOR.  
(D) ALL PLAYERS PRESENT WILL PLAY DEFENSE, BUT ONLY SIX PLAYERS, INCLUDING THE "PITCHER" AND "CATCHER" ARE ALLOWED TO BEGIN ON THE INFIELD DIRT. ONLY THE FIRST BASEMAN, THE THIRD BASEMAN, AND THE PITCHER MAY BE IN FRONT OF AN IMAGINARY LINE DRAWN BETWEEN FIRST BASE AND THIRD BASE.
5. A REGULATION GAME WILL CONSIST OF SEVEN (7) INNINGS. EXCEPTIONS: THERE WILL BE AN ABSOLUTE 60-MINUTE TIME LIMIT ON EACH GAME. THE GAME ENDS AFTER EXPIRATION OF 60 MINUTES, NO MATTER WHO IS BATTING.
6. DEFENSIVE PLAYERS SHALL BE PERMITTED TO WEAR ANY TYPE OF GLOVE AT ANY POSITION.
7. ALL CATCHERS MUST WEAR MASKS AND PROTECTIVE HELMETS. ALL BATTERS AND BASE RUNNERS MUST WEAR PROTECTIVE HELMETS, INCLUDING THE ON DECK BATTER.  
DELIBERATE LOSS OF THE HELMET IS AN AUTOMATIC OUT! ACCIDENTAL HELMET LOSS IS NOT AN OUT.
8. IN ORDER FOR "TIME OUT" TO BE CALLED, THE BALL MUST BE UNDER CONTROL OF THE PITCHER, WHILE THE PITCHER IS WITHIN THE PITCHER'S CIRCLE, AND ALL RUNNERS HAVE CEASED ADVANCING.
9. EACH BATTER WILL HIT OFF THE TEE, AND WILL CONTINUE UNTIL SHE HAS HIT A FAIR, PLAYABLE BALL. AN ARC WILL BE DRAWN IN FRONT OF THE PLATE, AND THE BALL MUST GO OUTSIDE THE ARC TO BE "PLAYABLE". BALLS WHICH REMAIN INSIDE THE ARC ARE "FOUL".
10. TO PROMOTE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP, ALL VERBAL HARASSMENT DIRECTED TOWARDS AN OPPOSING TEAM BY PLAYERS, COACHES, OR FANS IS PROHIBITED. CHEER AS LOUD AS YOU WANT FOR YOUR TEAM, BUT DO NOT DIRECT NEGATIVE COMMENTS TOWARD THE OTHER TEAM.