

12U-----LEAGUE RULES

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- **A regulation game in the 12U division will consist of 6 innings. No inning may start after one hour and forty minutes has elapse from the starting time.**
- **Shortened game will be considered complete if 5 innings have been completed (4.5 if the home team is leading). A slaughter rule of 10 runs is in effect after 4 innings have been completed.**
- **The 12U division defensive team shall consist of 9 players: 3 outfielders, pitcher, catcher 1st, 2nd, 3rd base and shortstop. A game will be considered a forfeit if a team cannot field 8 players. A player from only a 10U team may be called up to fill in to make a team of 8 or 9.**
- **There will be a continuous batting order. All girls will be listed on the score sheet and bat in that order. The end of the inning is 3 outs no batting limit. If a team only fields 8 players when the 9th spot comes up in the order it will be counted as an out.**
- **No girl can sit 2 consecutive innings.**
- **Pitchers mound is 40 feet. (Manager needs to make sure of the distance before the game).**
- **Bases are 60 feet apart.**
- **With 2 outs and the catcher on base a courtesy runner will be allowed. The courtesy runner will be the player which recorded the last out.**
- **The infield fly rule will be in effect.**
- **No continuous running; if a batter walks they will stay at first base unless a defensive player makes an attempt on another base runner. Ball is considered dead once controlled in pitchers circle by any player or if circle is not visible 8ft from the rubber.**
- **A base runner hit by a batted ball will be out.**
- **NO Dropped Third Strike rule.**
- **Bunting will be allowed.**
- **A team may utilize a courtesy runner for a pitcher on base that is going to come in the next inning, so she may warm up. (if that girl does not pitch the next inning the team batting will have the girl that made their last out awarded first base as a penalty and the inning will begin with a runner on 1st base).**
- **A pitcher is allowed a maximum of 4 innings per game. A pitcher may be reinserted into a game one time. One pitch is considered a full inning.**
- **If a pitchers hits 2 batters in a single inning they will be removed from pitching and may return to pitch during another inning. If a pitcher hit a total of 3 batters during anytime in the game they must be removed from the game and cannot return to pitch.**
- **A batter hit by a pitch will be awarded first base. This includes the ball hitting the ground before contacting the batter. Batter hit by pitch is considered a dead ball.**
- **Intentional walks are not allowed.**
- **There is a maximum 8 warm up pitches.**
- **There is stealing of ALL bases once the ball has left the pitchers hand. There are No lead offs.**
- **All base runners must avoid contact.**
- **It is mandatory that all pitchers in the 12U league wear a face mask. All players must wear a helmet with facemask when batting and on base.**
- **12u will be using a 12" hard ball.**
- **Managers should be reminded this is a 12U in-house girls softball league and the umpires are not professionals. Questions will be addressed in a civil manner and at no time should a spectator address the umpire.**

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- **If a rainout occurs, please tell your coaches to figure out a date that works best and then get with your league coordinator so they can assist you in finding a field.**
- **All game results including date played, division, teams and game winner/loser result should be emailed by both managers to billini33@yahoo.com as soon as possible. Results will be updated weekly and sent to all leagues.**
- **There will be a single elimination playoff tournament with a championship series of best of three at the conclusion of the season.**