

*District 6 Inter-League Softball*

2019 Playing Rules

**Coach-Pitch Division**

**COACHES ARE REQUIRED TO BRING A COPY OF THESE RULES WITH THEM TO EVERY GAME.**

The **Coach-Pitch division** shall be open to girls ages 6-8 years old based on the 2019 Little League age chart.

**Inter-league softball play will follow the 2018 Little League Playing Rules. All coaches are strongly urged to read and be familiar with the Little League rule book. A lack of knowledge of those rules shall not be used as an excuse and the Little League rules must be followed except where modified below.**

The district will provide a schedule of regular season games. Home teams will be responsible for assigning an umpire for each game. Umpires should be made aware of Little League rules and these modifications. Umpires should understand that they work at the discretion of our leagues and shall enforce these rules as written.

Teams should arrive early for game play and each team will be given equal time for on-field warm-up prior to the game.

Only coaches who have been certified by their leagues Board of Directors shall be permitted in the dugout or on the field before or during the game. No more than four coaches per team will be allowed in the dugout.

An 11-inch Little League approved softball shall be used.

Players shall receive equal playing time. Ten players will play on defense. No player shall remain on the bench for consecutive defensive innings; girls should play the field every other inning.

A coach from the team at bat shall pitch. Coach should pitch from 30 feet and use an underhand motion.

Teams should use a catcher in full equipment. A coach may be positioned at the backstop to retrieve passed balls.

A half-inning shall be concluded when three outs are recorded by the defensive team or when each player on the offensive team has batted once in order.

Bases-on-balls shall NOT be awarded.

A batter will be called out after five strikes.

Runners shall not advance any bases on an overthrow.

No batted ball shall result in more than a double.

No new inning shall begin after 90 minutes from the first pitch.