

Pulaski Youth Organization

Girls Softball Tournament

12U Softball Rules – 2010

Players

1. Players must have been 12 years or younger on January 1, 2010
2. Team rosters are limited to 15 players and are due ½ hour before the team's first game.
3. Birth Certificates must be available if requested by tournament staff.
4. Games in which an ineligible player is used will be declared a 10-0 forfeit

Games

1. Home team is decided by a coin flip. Home team is the official scorekeeper.
2. Games are 6 innings, but no new inning will start after 1 hour and 15 minutes.
3. 7 run limit per inning, 15 run rule after 3 innings, 10 run rule after 4 innings.
4. All games except playoffs may end in a tie.
5. Championship game has no time limit, mercy rule, or run limit per inning.
6. Bunting is allowed. No infield fly rule.

Pitching

1. Pitchers are limited to 4 consecutive innings, one pitch constitutes an inning.
2. New pitcher is allowed 8 warm-up pitches, 5 pitches between innings.
3. Third strike is an automatic out. A caught third strike foul tip is out.

Substitutions

1. All players will bat in a continuous order with unlimited free substitutions.
2. Maximum of 10 players in the field, 4 must remain in the outfield.
3. A team can play with 9 without a batting penalty.
4. A team can play with 8, but must take an out in the 9th batting spot.
5. 7 or less players at any time results in a forfeit.
6. Late arrivals can be added to the bottom of the order.

Base Running

1. Runners may steal 2nd or 3rd base at any time. They can steal home only if played upon.
2. Players may lead off/steal after the ball leaves the pitcher's hand.
3. Pitchers on the mound can look at a runner, and they have 1 second to go or return to base. Umpire's judgement to call an out.
4. Sliding is required if a play is being made on a runner. Failure to slide will result in an out. This will be strictly enforced: please instruct your players to slide if there is any doubt.
5. A courtesy runner (last out) is allowed for the pitcher or catcher immediately following their at bat. After the next pitch, that option is gone.

Miscellaneous

1. A player injured during an at bat that cannot continue will be an out. If an injured player cannot return to the game, that spot in the order will not be an out, unless the team is left with only 8 players (see substitutions #4).
2. No stalling. Umpire's decision of stalling will lead to forfeit.
3. Umpire's decisions are final.
4. Any rules not covered will follow WIAA rules. Tournament director reserves right to change any rules deemed necessary, including game length to stay on schedule should weather delays occur.
5. Coaches and players are responsible for complete clean-up of dugout after their game.