

2019 Girls Coach Pitch League

Local Playing Rules

1. **ZERO TOLERANCE:** Any individual (Manager, Coach, Player, or Spectator) who displays unsportsmanlike conduct towards players, umpires, or directors will be asked to leave the complex.
2. All Managers are responsible for only allowing those volunteers that have turned in background forms, to interact and help with practice and games for their teams.
3. Both Managers must provide one scorekeeper/announcer.
 - i. Home Team Manager will provide the Pitch Counter and Announcer (can be same person)
 - ii. Visiting Team Manager will provide scorekeeper (to keep official scorebook)
 - iii. Play **will not** begin until both are in place, however, time clock will start at scheduled time
4. No manager, coach or parent may warm up a child before or during a game or practice.
 - i. *If violation occurs at a game, then the manager will be ejected from the game.*
 - ii. *If violation occurred at a practice, then the manager will be suspended from the next scheduled game.*
 - iii. *The manager **will** follow ejection rules set in place by the Board of Directors.*
5. While on DEFENSE, Managers/Coaches/Volunteers must remain in the dugout.
 - i. During the first 2 weeks of the season (about 4 games), one coach may be on the field at least 3' from the edge of the infield for instructional purposes.
6. While Manager's Team is on Offense, Team may have ONE (1) 1st Base Coach and ONE (1) 3rd Base Coach and ONE (1) Coach pitching.
7. Game Time is 75 minutes NO MORE THAN 4 innings
 - i. Once time expires, complete current inning
 - ii. NO NEW INNING WILL BEGIN AFTER TIME HAS EXPIRED.
 - iii. Line-Ups must be turned into the Official Scorekeeper before the game can be started.
 - iv. Game time starts at scheduled time.
8. The Batting Team will provide 1 volunteer Field Umpire. The team on Defense will provide a plate umpire.
9. Pitching:
 - i. Coach will pitch six (6) balls from the pitcher's plate
 - ii. 3 swinging misses is an out.
 - iii. If last pitch is fouled off, another ball will be pitched, to be followed until batter strikes out or reaches base.
 - iv. The Player/Pitcher may not advance in front of the Coach pitching until after the ball has been pitched
 - v. Once a ball is hit, the Coach pitching must make every effort to get off the field of play.
 - vi. Player/Pitcher must be positioned to the left or right of Coach pitching, behind the pitching rubber
 - vii. There will be no coaching of any runners from the Coach who is pitching.
10. Fielding:
 - i. Up to ten players may be on the field; one at each infield position, three in the outfield, and one ANYWHERE on the field
 - ii. The 10th player must be **outside and behind** the pitching circle
 - iii. Outfield is defined as **in the grass**.
 - iv. The Umpire will declare a "Dead Ball" Once the Pitcher catches or Controls the ball in the pitching Circle.
 - v. Players shall not throw the ball to the pitching coach, the Player/Pitcher must receive the ball, and then must hand the ball to the Coach pitching once *inside* the pitching circle.
11. Batting:
 - i. All batters are to bat in batting line up order including subs.
 - ii. Three outs per Inning.
 - iii. Five Run Rule per Inning.
12. Base Running:
 - i. No stealing of bases.
 - ii. Base Runners may advance one extra base on an overthrown ball into FOUL TERRITORY.
13. Substitutions - It is highly encouraged that all player plays both infield and outfield positions, and that no Player sit More than 1 consecutive inning.