Alexandria Little League Softball Local Rules Summary

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| General Rules | | | |
|  | **Junior** | **Majors** | **AA/AAA (Minors)** |
| **Age Guidelines** | 12-14 | 9-12 | 7-10 |
| **Keep Standings** | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| **Keep Score** | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| **Ball Delivery** | Player | Player | Player**\***  (with coach pitch) |
| **Batting Order** | Continuous | Continuous | Continuous |
| **Strike Outs** | 3  (dropped 3rd  strike in effect) | 3  (dropped 3rd  strike in effect) | 3 |
| **Walk** | Yes | Yes | No**\***  (Coach pitch after 4  balls. Use current count.  Max of 4 Coach pitches  w/called strikes) |
| **Intentional Walk** | Yes (Max of  1/game) | Yes (Max of  1/game) | N/A |
| **Infield Innings** | 0 | 1 (N/A for  playoffs) | 2 |
| **Defensive Innings per player** | 0 | 3 of first 5  innings | No one sits twice  until all sit once |
| **Max Innings Per**  **Position Non-Pitching** | N/A | 3 | 3 |
| **Max Inning**  **Pitching** | 3 out of first 6 innings | 3 out of first 6 innings | 2 of first 4 innings |
| **Time Limit\*\*** | None/7  inning games | 1:45 – Week  2:00 - Weekend | 1:45 – Week  2:00 - Weekend |
| **Batter’s Foot in Box** | No | No | No |
| **Courtesy Runner\*\*\*** | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| **If only 8 players at**  **Start of Game** | Batter is  skipped | Batter is  skipped | Batter is  skipped |
| **Bunt** | Yes | Yes (if show,  can’t swing) | Yes (if show,  can’t swing) |
| **Steal** | After ball  Leaves  pitcher’s hand | After ball  Leaves  pitcher’s hand | After ball reaches  home plate.  1 base/bat, can’t  advance home. One base on an overthrow. |
| **Arm Bands\*\*\*\*** | Yes | Yes | Yes |

**\* AA may agree to full coach pitch.**

**\*\* No start of new inning after time. New inning starts with last out of preceding half inning.**

**\*\*\*With two outs the last batter to make an out can run for pitcher or catcher**

**\*\*\*\* For softball only, Alexandria Little League has adopted the use of arms bands pursuant to LLI Rule 1.11(a)(3). The Rule states:**

”The use of play calling bands by defensive players is permitted under the following conditions:

* The equipment must be worn as the manufacturer intended (i.e. on either the wrist or forearm)
* The play calling band may not be attached to the belt or any other location on the player’s person.
* Baseball and Softball pitchers are permitted to wear a play calling band on their non-pitching (glove) arm, provided it is a solid color and not white, gray, or optic yellow. If the umpire considers it distracting to the batter, he/she may have it removed.”

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| **Run Limits and Mercy Rules** | | | |
| **Max Runs Per Inning** | unlimited | 5 | 4 |
| **Max Runs Last Inning** | N/A | N/A | 8 |
| **Mercy Rule - 4 Innings** | 10 runs | 10 runs | 10 runs |
| **Mercy Rule - 3 Innings** | 15 runs | 15 runs | 12 runs |
| **Post Season** | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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| **Pitcher/Catcher Rules** |
| * Managers/Coaches ARE allowed to warm up pitchers. Pitchers may warm up with another player. * Minors and Majors pitchers may not pitch more than 2 out of the first 4 innings. They may pitch additional innings following the 4th inning. * Minors and Majors pitchers may not pitch more than 7 innings in a day |