

## **SB AA-Advanced Rules**

- 1. A regulation game consists of six (6) innings.
- 2. 11" softball will be used.
- 3. Pitching mound will be set at 35 ft.
- 4. Bunting is allowed.
- 5. There will be a 4 run rule for the first 3 innings, and no limit after the 3rd inning is complete.
- 6. There are no base stealing restrictions.
- 7. There is NO "Dropped Third Strike" rule in place.
- 8. A base runner may leave the base once the ball crosses the plate.
- 9. If a game is halted due to weather after three (3) or more innings have been completed, it will be considered a regulation game. (3.5 innings if the home team is ahead)
- 10. Time limits will be a drop dead time of one hour forty-five minutes (105 minutes) with no inning beginning after one and a half hours (90 minutes). Umpires and coaches will log game start time.
- 11. Players must field a minimum of twelve (12) defensive outs per game, unless the game is shortened for any reason. PENALTY: player is required to play the entire next scheduled game in the field.
- 12. Players must play at least one inning per game, in an outfield position, and one inning per game, in an infield position.
- 13. Two (2) adult base coaches are allowed.
- 14. A player may pitch in a maximum of six (6) innings per game AND a maximum of twelve (12) innings per calendar week (Mon-Sat). (Playoffs 12 innings allowed in one day, no limit for the week)
- 15. A player pitching more than two (2) inning is required to have one calendar day of rest. Delivery of a single pitch constitutes having pitched in an inning. (Playoffs Required day of rest is after more than 6 innings)
- 16. Umpire discretion to remove a pitcher deemed clearly 'wild' after a 3rd batter is hit by pitch in an inning.
- 17. 'Call-Up Players' must be assigned by the Player Agent, bat at the bottom of the order, and play any position other than pitcher.
- 18. "Ball in the Circle" Rules are applied (LL Rule 7.08(a)(5))

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- a. Continuous Batting Order (CBO) all players bat
- b. Free defensive player substitutions
- c. No 'on-deck' circle practice swings allowed ONLY in batter's box (Majors and below)
- d. Pre-game batting practice: -Hitting aids, such as plastic or foam balls and hit sticks, are allowed at all levels. -No aids may be used upon start of game. -Batting practice using regulation balls is allowed ONLY in the batting cages, and shall NOT be allowed on the fields during pre-game warm-up.
- e. 8 PLAYERS PER TEAM, MINIMUM, TO PLAY A GAME. Visiting team may start with less than 8 players but must field 8 players in bottom of 1st inning. (Excludes Minors 'A' and Rookie Divisions)
- f. Once game begins, no swings are allowed on or around the field of play, except for the batter, per rule '4c'.
- g. Umpires and Managers will make cancellation decisions at game time (if Field Director not present)
- h. Games will be cancelled if Thunderstorm or Tornado warning or Tornado watch occurs 1 hour before game. In the event of lightning or thunder, game must be stopped until a 15 minute period has elapsed without lightning or thunder.
- i. Bats must meet all LL specifications.
- j. Batters should keep 1 foot in the Batter's Box unless a play is live, or time has been given to talk with the coach. (LL Rule 6.02 (c))
- k. Obstruction Rules Apply (LL Rules 7.05 and 7.06)
- I. Runners must avoid a collision with a player possessing the ball (LL Rule 7.08(a)(3))
- m. In-Field Fly (LL Rule 6.05(d)) is in effect for all Divisions AAA and above (excludes Rookie, A, A-Adv, AA, and AA-Adv)
- n. Runner's may not slide head first while advancing to a base for Majors and below (LL Rule 7.08(a)(4))
- o. Questioning of an umpire's call can only come from Manager (acting)
- p. Each Team needs at least 1 coach in dugout at all times
- q. No Coach's Agreements