

**2019 RULES LOGAN COUNTY
8U GIRLS SOFTBALL
USA REVISED RULES/ALL OTHER USA RULES APPLY**

1. 11" Worth COR 47 Balls ASA yellow optic.
2. Time limit 90 minutes. No new inning after 1 hour 15 minutes.
3. Free substitutions and all players bat in line up.
4. 3 outs or 6 runs per inning.
5. Pitching distance is 35' with a circle (8ft. from pitching mound on each side); add a line thru the circle at the pitcher's mound; the pitcher player must be behind the line with 2 feet in the circle until the ball is hit. Coach needs to have one foot in the circle at the time of the pitch release, unless he/she feels they need to be closer due to batter situation which should be a rare occasion, and discussed/ agreed upon prior to the start of the game.
6. Coach that is pitching must **get off the field, into foul territory**. If the coach interferes, ball is dead, batter gets a re-pitch and the previous pitch does not count in her total. See USA page 125 for Interference. All runners return to the last base occupied at the time of the pitch.
7. 10 fielders. Teams can play with 8 without being penalized with an out. Teams with less than 8 must forfeit.
8. **Stealing or delayed steals are not permitted. The runner may lead off a normal 2 to 3 steps at the release of the pitch from the coach but may not steal. The runner will be called out if they leave early.**
18. **A runner may only advance (at their own risk) one base on an overthrow to a base after an attempted out has been made, or if the ball has been overthrown to pitcher for time. Even if another attempt is made, the runners only get to advance on the first attempted play.**
9. An outfielder cannot run the ball in to make an infield play. Outfielders must throw ball to the infielder.
10. Fielder must get the ball to the player pitcher inside the circle, and player pitcher must call time and have control of the ball for the umpire to acknowledge time being called in order to stop the advancement of the runners. **HOWEVER**, if the batter-runner is rounding 3rd without breaking stride on an attempt of a homerun, the batter-runner may advance home at their own risk.
11. Fields will be lined with the halfway lines between bases for umpires to determine if a runner has to go back or can go to the next base. 10' lines between 1st & 2nd, 2nd & 3rd, 3rd and home. **See Rule 10**
12. No fielder can play more than 10' in front of a base; outfielders must remain 10' behind the base until after ball is hit.
13. Fake tags are prohibited and a runner will receive a free base.
14. **Each batter will receive 7 pitches: no strikes, no T's.** Batter is out after 7 pitches, unless 7th pitch is hit foul; the batter is still in the game until the ball is hit fair or missed. Caught foul balls are considered outs.
15. An umpire may call a player out for throwing the bat after 1 team warning.
16. Each team will be allowed a maximum of 1 coach in left field and 1 in right field when your team is in the field.
17. No infield fly rule.
19. No chanting or chattering (girls cannot hear their coaches; this age is a learning experience).
20. **FACE GUARDS and CHINSTRAPS are MANDATORY on all batting helmets and worn properly.**
21. **No Bunting**
22. **Must use a Licensed USA umpire at the plate.**