

## Softball Rules 9-10 Year Olds

(Revised: March 20, 2009)

1. 11" Balls
2. 6 innings or 2 hour time limit from first pitch. No inning shall start after 2 hour time limit. Inning can be completed, if inning began prior to the 2 hour time limit, field curfew rules permitting.
3. Only 4 steals per inning.  
No steals 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup>  
No stealing 3<sup>rd</sup> to Home unless a continuation of the play.
4. No stealing until ball crosses Home plate  
No leading off bases until ball crosses home plate
5. 2 coaches allowed on outfield grass to "direct" players
6. 4 runs per inning max. / Last inning open
7. Mercy Rule: 12 runs after 4 innings
8. 8 players minimum on field to start game 10 players max. on field
9. Cinderella Batting
10. Outfielders, including Short Center, must be on outfield grass/line until Ball in play
11. 35' Mound to point of Plate
12. Pitchers foot in contact with rubber at start of motion and until release
13. Windmill or Slingshot pitching
14. Pitcher can pitch full game but must have one DAY rest before pitching again
15. "Borrowing" players from another team in your own town to complete a game roster is allowed. Borrowing from the opposition is a last resort.
16. "Borrowed" players may bat anywhere in the batting order.
17. "Borrowed" players are not eligible to pitch.
18. 24 Hour game cancellation unless weather related cancellation.

Note: Changes must be agreed upon between teams and umpires before start of game.