



# North Bay Girls Softball League (NBGSL) Rules

## 6U Rules - Revision 1.0\*

### Time Limit:

- 1 hour 15 mins.

### Scoring:

- No score is kept.

### Pitching:

- Offensive coach pitches from within the pitching circle.
- If the batter fails to hit a fair ball after five pitches, then they must hit off a tee.
- Balls thrown back by the catcher are to be received by the offensive pitching coach. If the catcher misses the ball, the defensive coach behind the catcher shall throw it back to the pitching coach.

### Baserunning / Stealing:

- No stealing or leading off is allowed.

### Fielding:

- The maximum number of players on the field is 12 with a maximum of 6 players in the infield.
- Coaches should make an effort to teach the players positions and have the infielders in front of the base paths and the outfielders behind the base path.
- A defensive fielders mask is highly recommended for all players.

### Batting:

- All players bat, continuous batting order of the entire roster.
- First Half of Season:
  - Seven batters per inning unlimited outs
- Second Half Season:
  - Three outs or seven batters (whichever is reached first) per inning.
- On an official out: (fly ball caught, thrown out, tag out, etc.) the base-runner(s) or hitter returns to the dugout.





Manager/Coach Locations:

- Offensive coaches are to be located in the pitching circle and 1st and 3rd base coach's box only.
- Defensively, two coaches are allowed on the field of play. Since it is the defense's responsibility to get the ball back to the offensive pitcher quickly. For safety reasons, it is recommended the defensive coaches are in the playing field to supervise and help keep the distraction minimal.

Awards:

- All players will receive an end of season participation trophy.
- There will be an all star game (coach selection) at the end of the season.





## 8U Rules - Revision 1.0\*

### Time Limit:

- No new inning after 1hr 15 minutes

### Scoring:

- No score is kept
- 5 run limit per inning

### Pitching:

- Pitching distance is 30 feet
- Pitching Limit:
  - Pitchers can't pitch more than 2 consecutive innings.
- Pitchers are required to wear a defensive fielders mask.
- Player pitches 4, then offensive coach pitches 2.
- If the pitch is not put in play by the last coach pitch the batter is out, except when the last pitch was a foul ball in that case pitching continues.
- Batters will be awarded first base if hit by a kid pitch.
- During coach pitch, if a batted ball hits the coach the ball is dead and the batter is out.

### Baserunning / Stealing:

- Stealing is allowed during kid pitch, 1 base per pitch.
- No stealing home
- Players can lead off and steal on release of the ball from the pitcher's hand during kid pitch.
- There is no leading off or stealing when the coach is pitching

### Fielding:

- May have 4 outfielders for 10 players on the field.
- A defensive fielders mask is highly recommended for all players.

### Batting:

- All players bat, continuous batting order of the entire roster.
- May play with 8 players min, with no out penalty.
- No bunting.
- No dropped 3rd strike.

### Awards:





- All players will receive an end of season participation trophy.
- There will be an all star game (coaches selection) at the end of the season.





## 10U Rules - Revision 1.1\*

### Time limit:

- No new inning after 1 hr. 15 min
- Once inning is started it must be completed
- Game time is forfeit time, a team must have at least 8 players or a forfeit will be recorded.

### Scoring:

- 5 run limit per inning.
- Run Rule: Game ends if a team is up 15 after 4 innings, 12 after 5 innings, or 8 after 6 innings.

### Pitching:

- Pitching distance is 35 feet
- Pitcher Inning Limit:
  - 1 game week - 4 innings
  - 2 game week - 7 innings
  - 3 game week - 9 innings
  - 4 game week - 11 innings
  - Max 2 consecutive innings pitched per game
  - If team manager violates inning limit for pitcher
    - The 1st violation is suspended for the next game.
    - The 2nd violation is a review by the board and possible removal or longer suspension.
- Pitchers are required to wear a defensive fielders mask.

### Baserunning / Stealing:

- Stealing is allowed except no stealing home.
- Players can lead off and steal on release of the ball from the pitcher's hand.
- Bad throw back from the catcher to the pitcher is still a dead ball.
- Runner cannot advance to home on a catcher overthrow when attempting to throw out a stealing player.

### Fielding:

- May have 4 outfielders for 10 players on the field.
- No infield fly rule.





- A defensive fielders mask is highly recommended for all players.

#### Batting:

- All players bat, continuous batting order of the entire roster.
- May play with 8 players min, with no out penalty.
- Bunting is allowed.
- No dropped 3rd strike
- Runners may advance one base on an overthrow on a ball put in play.
- Late arriving player(s) cannot play if they miss their spot in the batting order.

#### Awards:

- Teams finishing 1st, 2nd and possibly 3rd place (depending on number of teams) in standings will receive trophies.
- There will be end of season playoffs for a chance to win a medal for 1st and 2nd.





## 12U & 14U - Revision 1.0\*

### Time limit:

- No new inning after 1 hr. 15 min
- Once inning is started it must be completed
- Game time is forfeit time, a team must have at least 8 players or a forfeit will be recorded.

### Scoring:

- 5 run limit per inning, unlimited runs for 4th inning and beyond.
- Run Rule: Game ends if a team is up 15 after 4 innings, 12 after 5 innings, or 8 after 6 innings.

### Pitching:

- 12U Pitching distance is 40 feet
- 14U Pitching distance is 43 feet
- Pitcher Inning Limit:
  - 1 game week - 4 innings
  - 2 game week - 7 innings
  - 3 game week - 9 innings
  - 4 game week - 11 innings
  - Max 4 consecutive innings pitched per game
  - If team manager violates inning limit for pitcher
    - The 1st violation is suspended for the next game.
    - The 2nd violation is a review by the board and possible removal or longer suspension.
- Pitchers are required to wear a defensive fielders mask.

### Baserunning / Stealing:

- Stealing home is allowed

### Fielding:

- 9 players on the field defensively
- A defensive fielders mask is recommended for all players.
- Defensive players must play a minimum of 2 innings per game.
- Infield fly rule is in effect.





#### Batting:

- All players bat, continuous batting order of entire roster?
- May play with 8 players min, with no out penalty
- Dropped 3rd strike is in effect.
- Late arriving player(s) cannot play if they miss their spot in the batting order.

#### Awards:

- Teams finishing 1st, 2nd and possibly 3rd place (depends on number of teams) in standings will receive trophies.
- There will be end of season playoffs for a chance to win a medal for 1st and 2nd.

