

Jefferson Girls Softball 10u (Minors) Supplement Rules

1. A team must have a minimum of 7 players to start and finish the game, 10 players in the field including a short fielder. (If there are less than 7 players, team will forfeit, but game can be played)
2. Outfielders must position themselves on the grass. The short fielder may be positioned as a fourth outfielder or directly behind second base on the grass or at least 10 feet behind 2nd base.
3. No player may play same position for more than 2 consecutive innings. Only exception is the pitcher and catcher.
4. All games are to start on time, as scheduled. A 20 minute grace period will be allowed, after which the team causing the delay will forfeit.
5. Length of game will be 6 innings. No new inning shall start after 1 hour and 45 minutes. The time length of the game is officially determined by the umpire. (Suggestion: Both coaches along with the umpire should make note of the game time start)
6. In case of inclement weather, unless notified of cancellation, players must report to the field for a decision by the umpire.
7. All rainouts and rescheduled games will be played on the next available day. Once a game begins, the umpire alone may call the game.
8. If water is on the infield, no play shall be allowed. No one will sweep clay on or off the field to correct the water problem. A Red Flag will be posted on fields by Jefferson Township due to wet conditions. Do not enter a field area which has been Red Flagged.
9. A game must be immediately stopped at the first sign of lightening or sound of thunder. Play will resume if no lightning or thunder occurs in 25 minutes.
10. The home team shall provide the umpire with 2 11" softballs.
11. There will be Cinderella Batting. All players shall be placed in the batting order. A player arriving late may be added to the bottom of the order after the umpire and opposing coach has been notified. With this sole exception, the batting order may not change during the game.
12. If a player must leave a game early, her name is removed from the batting order and play continues. No penalty is issued. It is the responsibility of the coach to notify the other team of the change. Under no circumstances may a position in the batting order become an automatic out.
13. No player is to sit on the bench for more than 1 inning of play, unless injured, and the umpire notified of the injury. Players may sit out more than 1 inning, but never 2 consecutive innings.
14. Only one base is allowed on an overthrow on any base. There is no extra base for balls going out of bounds.

15. An inning at bat will end when either 3 outs are made or when the 10th batter has batted. There will be a warning issued if in the umpires judgment the last batter is being intentionally walked, this may lead to the ejection of the manager.
16. Batters are to warm up by swinging a bat only in designated areas. A team warning will be issued for any bat thrown after a batted ball, an out will be called for thrown bats there after.
17. One (1) pitcher is allowed to pitch up to four (4) innings maximum per game. Innings do not need to be consecutive. One (1) pitch constitutes an inning pitched.. Must start with both feet on the rubber, and may not take a step back in pitching motion if pitching windmill. If a pitcher hits 3 girls during a game, she must be removed from pitching and not allowed to pitch the rest of the game. (A rolling ball does not count)
- 17a. If a pitcher walks two (2) consecutive batters, opposing coach will come in to pitch to the batter. The batter will get 6 pitches and must hit the ball. If batter fouls off sixth pitch, she will get another. After 5 walks by the pitcher the coach will finish the inning. There is no stealing during coach pitch. **This rule does not apply during playoffs.**
18. The coach is allowed 2 trips to the mound per inning, but, the pitcher must be removed at the 2nd trip.
19. Bases will be at a distance of 60ft and pitching will be from 35ft.
20. If a team is leading by 10 runs or greater after 4 innings of play, or if the home team favors after 3.5 innings, the game will be called in favor of the winning team.
21. Runners are only allowed to steal 3rd from 2nd and may only leave the base once the ball crosses the plate. The runner is **not allowed** to go home on an overthrow from the catcher.
23. If there is a play on a runner at any base and the fielder has the ball and is waiting to make a tag, the runner may slide, but must attempt to avoid contact with the fielder, otherwise the runner is out. This will be an umpire's judgment call. Note: There is no "Must Slide" Rule. **The runner must avoid a collision with the fielder over anything else. Umpire's decision is Final!!!**
24. It is the Coach's responsibility to make sure the parents of their team do not get out of control. The umpire has the right to kick anyone off the field due to misconduct. If there is an issue that the umpire cannot control, the coach of the team whose parents or spectators were the problem will receive a warning from the Softball Board and must deal with the problem even if it means prohibiting a parent from coming to the games.
25. If a Coach is ejected from a game by the umpire do to misconduct, they are suspended from the next game. Only the Head coach may talk to the umpire in regards to rules of the game.
26. Final scores of games can be inputted on the website by the coaches.
27. There is no bunting or fake bunting or slap hitting.
28. There is no Infield Fly Rule.