Coastal Bay Fastpitch: 6U (TEE-BALL) RULES

Coastal Bay Girls Softball League follows USA SOFTBALL/ASA rules with the following exceptions:		
Category	**Rule**	**Remarks**
Playing Rules	USA SOFTBALL/ASA - Current Edition	Girls Tee-Ball
Game Balls	10" RIF yellow	RIF 1 or similar
Batting Helmets with Faceguards	Mandatory	Coaches enforce.
Players to Start Game	No requirement	Usually 3-10 players
Game Time	1 hour	
Umpires	None	Not Required
Coaches	3 per team	Ratio: 1 Coach for every 4 players
Innings per game	2 -3	# of innings that fit in the 1 hour
Batting Order	Bat once through lineup each inning. Announce last batter. All base runners advance home with final batter's hit.	
Player Participation & Rotation	All players play the field each inning.	Rotate through positions during game/season.
Number of Batters	All available players	All players bat each inning.
Pitcher	Batting Tee Mostly used Coach pitch Allowed	*After 4 pitches from coach pitcher, batter hits from tee. Coach will be approx. 25 - 30 ft. (8u pitching rubber).
Bunting	No.	Ball must travel forward into fair zone.
Outs/Putout	No.	Coaches acknowledge an out/putout. Batter remains on base to run.
Stealing	No.	
Sliding	No.	Allowed
Leadoffs	Yes	Only when Coach is pitching & has released the ball.
Runners Advance	Only on hit ball. Only one base per hit ball.	All runners advance home when last batter puts ball in play.

Infield fly	No.	
Advance on Overthrow	No.	
Bases	60 ft.	Thrown downs used or if both teams agree regular bases/50ft paths can be used

Additional Rules:

BEFORE the start of the game

*Opposing managers are encouraged to discuss Rules with each other and the Umpire (if provided)

Example: # of coach pitches (3 vs 4) discourage unlimited coach pitches during a game.

*Defensive players PITCHER & 1st BASE MUST Wear a Fielders Mask.

*Defensive players cannot yell "SWING" at a batter

*Any complaints or suggestions should be made with Coastal Bay via email coastalbaysoftball@gmail.com

Players: Only two players are allowed out of the dugout while a team is at bat: 1) the player batting and 2) the player on deck. Both players must wear a batting helmet with faceguard. All players must remain in the dugout during games, except to use the restroom or due to injury.

Defensive Players: The designated "pitcher" must stay within the pitcher's circle until ball is hit. Coaches should be careful to make sure that this player is not beyond the pitcher's mound as this may represent an increased risk of injury. The infield must remain behind the "pitcher" until the ball is hit. Outfield may have as many or few players as are available to play. All players will play defense and offense every inning in 6U Tee ball.

Coaches: There is to be no more than two coaches on the field and one coach in the dugout during the game. All other parents must be behind the fence.

Parents: Parents must be behind the fence during the game. Parents are discouraged from coaching behind the fence. Encouragement and Positive affirmations are welcomed.

Interleague Games: Prior to an interleague game, coaches will prepare their team for relevant interleague rule differences by checking the interleague team's website.

Outs: In 6U, coaches are encouraged to help defensive players understand the goal of throwing to first base and getting the runner out. On the occasion that this happens, coaches should bring particular attention to, and help the players acknowledge and understand, the importance of the play. However, the runner should remain on base.