



2019 SVLL Rookies League

These rules apply to SVLL Rookies Intraleague Softball play. They are in addition or to clarify the official Softball Little League rule book.

- 1) Age** **6 - 8 year olds. Exceptions based on League approval.**
- 2) Game Length** **Game will start no later than 15 minutes after start time.
No new inning will start after 1 hour and 30 minutes.
All games WILL end after 1 hours and 45 minutes after start time.**
- 3) Scoring** **No scores or standings will be posted. Scorebooks will be kept. Home book is the official book.**
- 4) Adult Volunteers** **No more than 4 volunteers will be allowed on the field and ONE must remain in the dugout at all times.**
- 5) Coaches** **Offensive Team may have one volunteer on first base line, one volunteer on third and one volunteer on the mound.**

Defensive Team may have three volunteers on the field; one near home plate in foul territory and two in-between the infield/outfield players.
- 6) Umpiring** **Manager/Coach's will umpire. Count is not called.**
- 7) Balls** **11' safety softball.**
- 8) Pitching** **Coaches will pitch under hand up to 5 pitches. The batter will either hit the ball or after 5 pitches be considered a strikeout. There are no walks. Coaches may use best judgment when closing the distance to the batter in order to give better chances their batter may make contact. If the last pitch is fouled, the batter will receive another pitch until the ball is put in play or the batter is struck out.**

No kid pitching will be used.

Balls batted into the field and strike a volunteer will be considered dead and runners and batter advance one base.

The catcher will return all balls back to the pitcher.
- 9) Playing Rules** **Continuous batting order will be used**

Drop third strike will not be used.

Infield fly rule will not be observed.



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No bunting / no stealing.

5 runs or 3 outs will end the inning.

10 run "mercy rule" will not be observed.

Runners may not advance on over throws or throws that are made on players were the ball rolls into dead ball territory. Runners may advance one additional base on well hit balls.

Playing time. Unlimited substitutions. No player will sit more than two innings and players shall not play more than two innings at one position.

10 Players may be used if available with four in the outfield.
5 players are needed to start the game, games 1-9 (infield sans pitcher).

No on-deck batters.

Bats will not be thrown. First offense the batter shall be warned. Each following offense the batter shall be called out.

10) Protests Protests are not permitted in the minor divisions of play.

11) Rescheduling Games canceled for any reason should be reported to the League's Director of scheduling (scheduler@svll.org), who will endeavor to reschedule them.

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