CLASSIE LASSIES SOFTBALL DIVISION RULES

6u goals - Introduce the game and have fun.

Rules of the game are varied to accommodate the need for teaching and should focus on fun, fitness, and fundamentals. The primary goals of are to instruct children in the fundamentals of softball and to allow them to experience the value of teamwork.

8u goals - Expand the game to include basic situations. Girls will learn the how to make outs and score runs. The focus is to develop each player's ability, work on sportsmanship, and learn the rules of softball.

10u goals - Apply the rules of the game that comes close to playing official softball. Pitching, catching, stealing, and numerous USA Softball rules apply. The principles of sportsmanship in competition, teamwork, and individual player development are reinforced.

11u-14u goals - At this level the focus is to refine players skills in the game of softball. The rules are designed to mirror that of high school softball. The principles of sportsmanship in competition, teamwork, and individual player development are reinforced.

CLASSIE LASSIES GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE RULES TABLE - 11U-14U DIVISIONS Default to USA Softball Rules if not specifically addressed		
Rule	Interpretation	
Softball Size	12"	
Maximum Players on the Field Minimum Players on the Field	10 (Must use 4 Outfielders) 8	
Late Arriving Players	Placed at bottom of batting order. May enter on defense immediately if team has less than 10 fielders.	
Continuous Batting Order with all players	No automatic outs for lineups with fewer than 10 players.	
Official Game/Min Official Game	7 innings/3 innings minimum	
Minimum Innings per game for each player	3	
Minimum Innings per game for each player in the infield	1	
All players present are in the batting order	Yes	
Start/End Times	Games start at scheduled time. 1 hour 20 minutes plus one more inning. Games end in a tie if you reach the limit or darkness and the score is tied. If the inning is not complete, the score reverts to the score of the previous inning.	
Pitching distances	12U - 40 feet 14U - 43 feet	
Run Ahead Rule	12 after 3 innings 10 after 4 innings 8 after 5 innings	
4 runs per inning limit	The first 3 innings are limited to 4 runs per inning. All innings after the 3rd inning will be unlimited.	
Warmup pitches/minutes	Per USA Softball (5 pitches, 1 minute)	
Infield Fly	Per USA Softball	
Dropped 3rd Strike	Per USA Softball	

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Charged Conference Limit	3 per game
Extra Innings	Offensive team places the girl who made the last out at 2nd base at the start of the inning.
Bunting	Per USA Softball
Walk	Per USA Softball
Hit By Pitch - Batter gets base	Per USA Softball
Number of innings pitched per game (max)	Unlimited, except a team must change pitchers if they get ahead by 10 runs
Stealing	Per USA Softball

CLASSIE LASSIES GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE RULES TABLE - 10U DIVISION Default to USA Softball Rules if not specifically addressed		
Rule	Interpretation	
Softball Size	11"	
Maximum Players on the Field Minimum Players on the Field	10 (Must use 4 Outfielders) 8	
Late Arriving Players	Placed at bottom of batting order. May enter on defense immediately if team has less than 10 fielders.	
Continuous Batting Order with all players	No automatic outs for lineups with fewer than 10 players.	
Official Game/Min Official Game	6 innings / 3 innings	
Minimum Innings per game for each player	3	
Minimum Innings per game for each player in the infield	1	
All players present are in the batting order	Yes	
Start/End Times	Games start at scheduled time. 1 hour 20 minutes plus one more inning. Games end in a tie if you reach the limit or darkness and the score is tied. If the inning is not complete, the score reverts to the score of the previous inning.	
Pitching distances	10U - 35ft	
Run Ahead Rule	12 after 3 innings 10 after 4 innings 8 after 5 innings	
4 runs per inning limit	The first 3 innings are limited to 4 runs per inning. All innings after the 3rd inning will be unlimited.	
Warmup pitches/minutes	Per USA Softball (5 pitches, 1 minute)	
Infield Fly	Per USA Softball	
Dropped 3rd Strike	Per USA Softball	

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Charged Conference Limit	3 per game.
Extra Innings	Offensive team places the girl who made the last out at 2nd base at the start of the inning.
Bunting	Per USA Softball
Walk	Per USA Softball
Hit By Pitch - Batter gets base	Per USA Softball
Number of innings pitched per game (max)	4 innings maximum, 3 consecutive (any appearance in an inning is considered an inning pitched for that player)
Pitcher Hit Batter Limit	If the pitcher hits 3 batters with a pitched ball in one inning, she will be removed from the pitching position that inning. If the same pitcher hits 2 batters in any following inning, she will be removed from the pitching position and cannot re-enter as a pitcher.
Stealing	EXCEPTION - No stealing home on passed ball.

CLASSIE LASSIES GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE RULES TABLE - 8U DIVISION Default to USA Softball Rules if not specifically addressed		
Rule	Interpretation	
Softball Size	11"	
Maximum Players on the Field Minimum Players on the Field	10 (Must use 4 Outfielders) 8	
Late Arriving Players	Placed at bottom of batting order. May enter on defense immediately if team has less than 10 fielders.	
Continuous Batting Order with all players	No automatic outs for lineups with fewer than 10 players.	
Official Game/Min Official Game	5 innings/3 innings	
Minimum Innings per game for each player	3	
Minimum Innings per game for each player in the infield (P, C, SS, 1B, 2B, 3B)	2	
All players present are in the batting order	Yes	
Start/End Times	Games start at scheduled time. 1 hour 20 minutes plus one more inning. Games end in a tie if you reach the limit or darkness and the score is tied. If the inning is not complete, the score reverts to the score of the previous inning.	
Pitching distances	8U - 30ft	
Coach Pitch	Each player gets 3 strikes to put the ball into play or a maximum of 10 pitches. The batter is out if she does not swing at the 10th pitch (a foul ball would result in an additional pitch).	
Coaches in the field	Defensive Team: Back-up catcher, Infield Coach, Outfield Coach Offensive Team: Pitcher, First Base Coach, Third Base Coach	
Run Ahead Rule	12 after 3 innings 10 after 4 innings 8 after 5 innings	

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4 runs per inning limit	The first 3 innings are limited to 4 runs per inning. All innings after the 3rd inning will be unlimited.
Warmup pitches/minutes	No
Infield Fly	No
Dropped 3rd Strike	No
Charged Conference Limit	No
Extra Innings	Maximum of 1 extra inning if the game is tied after 5 innings. Offensive team places the girl who made the last out at 2nd base at the start of the inning.
Bunting	No
Walk	No
Hit By Pitch - Batter gets base	No
Number of innings pitched per game (max)	No
Pitcher Hit Batter Limit	No
Stealing	No
Extra Base Hits (to the outfield)	Batters and base runners may advance, at risk, up to 2 bases on a batted ball that reaches the outfield grass on the fly or on the ground, regardless of contact with a defensive player.
Overthrows	Batters and base runners may not advance.

CLASSIE LASSIES GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE RULES TABLE - 6U DIVISION		
Rule	Interpretation	
Softball Size	11" safe-soft softballs	
Maximum Players on the Field Minimum Players on the Field	All players play in the field. There is no minimum players for a game.	
Late Arriving Players	Place into batting order. Immediately enter on defense.	
Continuous Batting Order with all players	Yes	
Official Game/Min Official Game	3 innings/3 innings	
Minimum Innings per game for each player	N/A	
Minimum Innings per game for each player in the infield (P, C, SS, 1B, 2B, 3B)	N/A	
Defensive positions	All but catcher.	
All players present are in the batting order	Yes	
Start/End Times	Games start at scheduled time. 1 hour 20 minutes plus one more inning. Games end in a tie if you reach the limit or darkness and the score is tied. If the inning is not complete, the score reverts to the score of the previous inning.	
Pitching distances	Coaches may pitch from any distance.	
Coach Pitch	Each player gets a maximum of 10 pitches. The batter will hit off the tee after 10 pitches.	
Coaches in the field	Defensive Team: Catcher, Field Coaches Offensive Team: Pitcher, First Base Coach, Third Base Coach	
Run Ahead Rule	Score is not kept	
Extra Base Hits (to the outfield)	One base. EXCEPTION: the final batter of the inning will advance all the way to home plate to end the inning.	
Overthrows	Batters and base runners may not advance.	