

2025 Little League Illinois District 5 Softball Courtesy Rules

		T-ball	Coach Pitch	Minor	Major	Junior	Senior
		4/5/6 year old	7/8 year old	9/10 year old	11/12 year old	13/14 year old	15/16 year old
	NonWood Bat	T-Ball bat	No more than 33 inches 2 1/4 Diameter			34 inches 2 1/4 Diameter	
	Mandatory Play	Replace with madatory use of continuous batting order					Does not apply
	Pitching Distance	Does not apply	See rule below	35 Feet	40 Feet	43 Feet	43 Feet
	Softball	Safe T-ball	11-inch softball	11-inch softball	12-inch softball	12-inch softball	12-inch softball
	No New Inning after	1 hour hard stop	1H 30m Hard Stop	1H 30m	1H 30m	1H 30m	1H 30m
Run Limits	Does not apply	5 runs	5 runs	7 runs	7 runs	Does not apply	
PITCHERS	Pitches/day	Does not apply	Does not apply	Max.12 per game Max.12 per day		No Restrictions	
PITCHERS	Rest	Does not apply	Does not apply	Six or fewer innings in a day - No Rest Six or nore innings in a day - One calendar day		No Restrictions	
	Mercy Rule	Does not apply	Does not apply	15 runs after 3 innings 10 runs after 4 innings 3 1/2 if home team is ahead 8 runs after 5 innings 4 1/2 if home team is ahead		15 runs after 4 innings 3 1/2 if home team is ahead 10 runs after 5 innings 4 1/2 if home team is ahead 8 runs after 6 innings 5 1/2 if home team is ahead	
	3rd Strike not caught	Does not apply	Does not apply	Batter is out	Batter is out if first is occupied with les than two outs. If first is unoccupied or there are two outs, batter becomes the runner and defense must put him/her out		
	On-Deck Batter	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	Not Aloowed	Allowed	Allowed
	Special Runner	Does not apply	Does not apply	With two out, a courtest runner must be used for the catcher		With two outs, a courtesy runner may be used for the pitcher and catcher	
	Players on the field	Every defensive player	8min. 10max. 4 players in the out field	8 min. 9 Max.	8 min. 9 max.	8 min. 9 max	8 min. 9 max
	Adults	Many	4 coaches 3 field 1 dugout	3 coaches 2 field 1 dugout	3 coaches 2 field 1 dugout	3 coaches 2 field 1 dugout	3 coaches 2 field 1 dugout

Coach Pitch

Adult pitchers need to be within the 8' circle of the mound

Batter receive 6 pitched balls. If no hit by the 6th pitch, batter is out.

If batter fouls the 6th pitch off, batter is out

No in field fly

The play is called "**DEAD**" when the player pitcher receives the ball.

ONLY one base on an overthrow. After a overthrow the ball and play is called '**DEAD**'

If the batted ball hits the Adult pitcher the play is "**DEAD**" and the batter/runner is awarded first base.