

MOBERLY PARKS AND RECREATION

Recreation Softball League

Girls 10U Modified Live Pitch

(Girls 9-10 years old as of May 20th)

This league is intended to be instructional and fun.

Coaches, players and fans are expected to follow the rules.

Summer 2024

GENERAL

- Ball: 11" MSHSAA approved softball
 - Pitcher: 35 feet
 - Time limit: (1:15) One hour and fifteen minutes
- Bases: 60 feet
Umpire: Two

League Rules

- MSHSAA rules will apply except for the necessary league rules on this page.
- Games end on the time limit.
- Official line-up cards must be completed before the game and submitted to the home plate umpire. Any changes must also be submitted to the home plate umpire. All players in attendance must be listed. Any player not participating must have a reason why they are not playing clearly stated on the card, for example: J. Smith-injury related.
- Each player must play two innings in the field (six defensive outs) and at least once at bat. Players who have played two consecutive defensive innings cannot play a third defensive inning if another player on the bench has not played. **There will be free substitution to allow every youth to play.**
- Each player will be allowed seven (7) pitches to put the ball in play. The ball/strike count will be as follows: Four (4) straight balls from youth pitcher will result in batting teams third base coach coming and pitching three (3) pitches to the batter (all three pitches count as strikes and coach can pitch from anywhere in the pitching circle). If the batter does not put the ball in play the batter is out. **There are no walks in this league.** In the case of a full count and the youth pitcher issues the fourth (4) ball then the third (3rd) base coach will come to the pitching circle to issue one (1) pitch.
- The inning or half inning is over when the following occurs: 3 outs, and/or entire line-up has batted with the (last) batter being put out of play or scoring.
- Team batting orders will be fixed throughout the game and must include all the players in attendance. The offensive team will bat each player during each inning, or until 3 outs has occurred (whichever comes first). The final batter must either strike out, be tagged out, or the defensive team must touch any base in front of the last batter/runner, before the batter/runner crosses home plate. All the runs that cross home plate before that will count.
- The batter is out if the following occurs: a dropped third strike, **fouls the seventh pitch**, does not swing at the seventh pitch.
- The coach in the pitching circle is not allowed to interfere with the ball when it is put in play. If the ball is put into play and is contacted by the coach in any way before the play is over a dead ball is called, the batter is out, no runners can advance, and no runners can score. The designated youth pitcher must stay inside the pitching circle until the ball is in play nor can the youth pitcher interfere with the coach while inside the pitching circle.
- If a pitcher hits her third batter in the same inning, she must be repositioned for the rest of the current inning and the next whole inning.
- A coach or parent can stand behind (**off to the side**) the catcher and assist them with passed pitched balls. The coach/parent cannot assist on a play at home or an overthrow.
- **NO STEALING.**
- The infield fly rule does not apply.
- The defensive team shall have no fewer than 7 players and no more than 10 players on the field.
- Unsportsman-like acts of any type will not be tolerated (profanity, throwing, of equipment, emotional outbursts).

- Players, coaches, spectators ejected from the game area are ineligible to attend their teams' next two games (the season if ejected twice).
- Players, coaches, batboy/girl are the ONLY individuals allowed in the dugout during a game.
- Teams will have a maximum of 2 minutes in-between innings to get to their position to help speed up the game to allow more play time.
- Game time is forfeit time.... borrow a player from the other team if necessary.
- No smoking in dugouts or while sitting in bleachers (Designated areas are available by restrooms.)
- Scoreboard will be turned on during games, however no scorekeeper will be provided.
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For postponements/cancellations from inclement weather:

Sign up for CivicReady (Alert Sense) at www.cityofmoberly.com to receive texts or emails,

Call the MPRD HOTLINE at 263-HTLN (4856) or

check the City of Moberly's website www.cityofmoberly.com after 4 p.m.

Moberly Parks and Recreation reserves the right to make changes to these rules as deemed necessary.