

BRANDON VALLEY YOUTH SOFTBALL

6-AND-UNDER CO-ED COACH PITCH BVYSA League-Specific Rules

- Will play with a 11" Incrediball.
- All players must bat and play defense.
- Coaches pitch to own team.
- Batting "T" may be used if necessary.
- **NO stealing of any bases.**
- **NO leading off of any bases.**
- **NO strike out allowed.**
- 25' pitching rubber; 40' base path.
- Coaches are allowed on the field to instruct.
- Half innings end after everyone bats.
- No umpires needed.
- Clean up all trash from the dugout after game.
- 45 Minute Time Limit

The rules of the USA Softball will be followed with the following exceptions:

1. Our primary objective is to create an environment in which the participants have fun, learn good sportsmanship, and develop some softball skills. **Coaches are responsible for ensuring that this objective is met and for the conduct of their players, parents, and fans. The use of tobacco, alcohol, or any other controlled substance by an umpire, coach, or other volunteer during a softball game or tournament is prohibited.**
2. This is a physical sport and injury may result.
3. Batting "T" will be in the equipment box by the fields.
4. Uniform shirts must be worn and tucked in. No Jewelry is allowed.
5. All players bat. Late arriving players will be added to the end of the line-up with no penalty.
6. Coaches will pitch to their own team for the entire game with a pitcher player by the mound for fielding only.
7. If after 5 coach-pitched throws, and the batter is unable to hit the ball, the batting "T" must be used.
8. Runner may advance only if the ball is hit.
9. Batters will not be awarded first base with a walk or when hit by a pitch. They may only get to first base by hitting the ball.
10. All players must run for themselves unless injured. No courtesy runners.
11. All batters and base runners will wear batting helmets with facemasks.
12. All players will play defense. The infield should consist of a pitcher, shortstop, first basemen, second basemen, and third basemen. The remainder (no limit) of the players will play in the outfield at least 10' behind the base line.
13. Please rotate players in as many positions as possible.
14. The player up to bat and the on-deck player are the **only two people** that are allowed to swing the bat. Be sure that the on-deck circle is in a safe place on the side of the infield.
15. Players who are not batting or running bases should be in the dugout.
16. Only BVYSA players will be allowed to play in league games.
17. **If a game is cancelled due to weather, the game will not be rescheduled.**
18. Games must stop if there is lightning. However, games will be played in the rain if it is just sprinkling. If the game is canceled after starting it will not be rescheduled.
19. There will be no tournaments.
20. Each team is responsible for putting the batting "T" in the equipment box and picking up their dugouts.