

# 6U LYBA LOCAL LEAGUE RULES

## RULES:

- A.** LYBA Local league rules supersede Rangers rules
- B.** Official Rangers Girls Softball Rules and Regulations will be followed for any rules not covered by these local league rules

## THE GAME:

- C.** A complete game will be 5 innings or 60 minutes. No inning will start after 60 minutes. If an inning has started when the 60 minutes are up then it will extend to 75 minutes. At 75 minutes the game will be over. If the inning was not completed the game will go back to the last completed inning to determine a winner. If the game ends in a tie, each team will receive a ½ win and a ½ loss
- D.** An inning will be complete when both teams have acquired three offensive outs or scored a maximum of seven runs each.
- E.** Opening day game, even if its not the 1st game of the season, will be played as noncompetitive
- F.** All scheduled games prior to opening day will be non competitive
- G.** All scheduled games after opening day will be competitive

## MANAGERS & COACHES:

- H.** Managers and coaches ARE responsible for their fans behavior
- I.** Control yourself and your parents. This is to be a fun game for children. If a problem arises from coaches or parents that cannot be resolved via the umpire, stop the game and contact the league commissioner, VP of LYBA Softball or any LYBA board member to assist
- J.** The home team is responsible for the scorekeeper and the tee. (Early games home team should pick up 2 balls and scorebook from the concession stand and the late games home team is responsible to take the scorebook back to the concession stand)
- K.** Manager or coach and the umpire must sign the scorebook
- L.** Practice time may be for a MAXIMUM of one (1) hour and thirty (30) minutes per day and may not exceed (5) five days per week and only NON MANDATORY practices are allowed on Wednesdays
- M.** The manager and 3 approved coaches are the only persons allowed in the dugout or on the field with the team
- N.** Only persons with current year completed background checks approved by LYBA are allowed to participate/assist during any games and/or official practices
- O.** Two defensive coaches will be allowed on the playing field during play, but remain in the outfield
- P.** No use of tobacco/vaping products during a game or practice
- Q.** No cell phones allowed on the playing field during the game

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## GAME PLAY

- A. Shirts will be tucked in at all times and **NO** jewelry allowed (Including new piercings and special clamped earrings)
- B. **No Chase Rule:** A defensive player will **NOT** be allowed to chase a base runner, exception: if the play on the ball is fielded, within a reasonable distance of the base runner to be chased, taking them toward the said base runner to be tagged (i.e a baseball move). Outfielders are not allowed to run into the infield to tag a base runner, exception: same as above
  - The pitcher must throw the ball if the batted ball is fielded inside the 8' pitcher radius
- C. Defensive team will field 10 players; however there is not a penalty for a team with only 8 players
- D. You are permitted to substitute your defense players in and out every inning to allow more playing time for the players
- E. The catcher shall **NOT** be required to catch the final strike, except for a foul tip. The batter shall be out and the base runners shall not advance
- F. Local League Play Only: Regular season will play modified coach pitch with Tee
  - Coach-pitcher will pitch 3 pitches, then the remainder of the at bat will be used with a tee (No strike outs will be granted from the pitched balls)
- G. The player-pitcher shall stand with both feet inside the eight foot (8') RADIUS circle even with or behind but not in front of the pitcher's plate or the forty feet (40') mark
- H. The coach-pitcher will pitch from a distance of thirty feet (30')
- I. Safety equipment must be worn during all organized practices and games. Batters helmet does require a facemask. Catcher and pitcher must also wear helmet with mask. All helmets must have a facemask.
- J. The home team is responsible for the scorekeeper and the tee. (Early games home team should pick up 2 balls and scorebook from the concession stand and the late games home team is responsible to take the scorebook back to the concession stand). Manager or coach and the umpire must sign the book
- K. Teams can play with a minimum of 8 players. If a team has less than 8 players then pool players will be used to avoid forfeits. Pool player is defined as any player assigned to that league. **It must be that a pool player comes from the opposing team first, if unavailable, the player must be a LYBA player from the same division or age group.**
- L. Protest must be made before the end of the game to the umpire or they will not be recognized. Please note in the scorebook where protest happened in case game needs to be played from a certain point in ball game. A written protest must be given to the league commissioner or the VP of Softball within 24 hours
- M. The ball is dead and all base runners must stop at the base the umpire rules when the pitcher has possession of a thrown ball inside the 8' radius circle; or with the pitcher in the circle a defensive player enters the circle with the ball in her possession