

JYL U-12 Softball Rules

1. Game Duration

- 1.1. Three outs per inning, 6 innings per game (time permitting).
- 1.2. Umpire will announce start time at the beginning of the game.
- 1.3. No new inning will start after 1:30 minutes.
- 1.4. 10-run rule applies after 3 ½ or 4 innings.
- 1.5. A minimum 8 players are required to start game. 9th batting position will be counted as an out.
 - 1.5.1. If a team starts with 9 players and loses a player due to injury, that position in the batting order will not be counted as an out. However, the injured player will not be allowed to re-enter the game if his position in the batting order is skipped without taking an out.
- 1.6. 5-run limit per inning except for the last inning.
 - 1.6.1. If the last, unlimited run inning completes with time still available (per rule 1.3 and 1.4) then an additional unlimited run inning is allowed.

2. Playing Time

- 2.1. Play 10 in the field. (outfield must start a minimum 10 ft. in grass)
- 2.2. No player should sit bench more than 1 inning per game.
- 2.3. All players must play within the first 2 innings of the game.
- 2.4. Free substitution of players is allowed.

3. Pitching

- 3.1. Standard PONY League rules apply except where stated otherwise.
- 3.2. No balks or intentional walks.
- 3.3. Pitcher must be replaced if coach goes to mound 2nd time in same inning (Pony Rules).

4. Batting

- 4.1. All players present for the game will bat.
- 4.2. Bunting not allowed.
- 4.3. In Fly Rule does not apply.

5. Base Running

- 5.1. No Stealing
- 5.2. If a base runner leaves base before ball exits pitcher's hand:
 - 5.2.1. First violation by a team will result in a warning.
 - 5.2.2. All subsequent violations by a team will result in the base runner being out.
- 5.3. Base runners cannot advance on an overthrow from catcher to pitcher

6. Catchers

- 6.1. Courtesy runner allowed for catcher with 2 outs. Player making the last out is the substitute.

7. Player Substitution

- 7.1. If less than 10 players are present, team may recruit from other U-9
- 7.2. The substitute must bat last and play in the outfield.

