Rule	Additional Clarification	T-Ball	Minis	Rookies	Minors	Majors
Ball		10" Safety Softball	10" Safety Softball	11" RIF Level 10 Softball	12" ASA Softball	12" ASA Softball
Bat		Little League or softball bat permitted	Little League or softball bat permitted	Softball bat only	Softball bat only	Softball bat only
# of defensive players		10	10	10	9	9
Minimum # of defensive innings to play	No player may sit for more than 1 consecutive inning	2	2	2	3	3
Game Time Limit	No new inning will start after	1 Hour	1 Hour	1 Hour 20 Minutes	1 Hour 30 Minutes	1 Hour 30 Minutes
Length of Game	Maximum innings if time limit is not reached first	4 Innings	4 Innings	5 Innings	6 Innings	6 Innings
Pitching Distance	Back point of home plate to the front of the pitcher's mound	30 Feet	30 Feet	35 Feet	40 Feet	43 Feet
Pitcher Limit		Does not apply	2 innings per game	No more than 2 consecutive and 3 total innings	Unlimited	Unlimited
Stealing		None	None	One base per pitch, Cannot steal home	Permitted	Permitted
Infield Fly Rule	0 or 1 outs 1st + 2nd occupied, or bases loaded	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Dropped 3rd Strike Rule		No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Leading Off		Ball leaves Tee or crosses home plate	Ball crosses home plate	Ball crosses home plate	Ball leaves pitchers hand	Ball leaves pitchers hand
Run Limit	up by 5 rule means tie and then go up by 5, or +5 runs on a lead	N/A	Up by 5 rule	Up by 5 rule	Up by 5 rule	No limit
Mercy Rule	12 runs	Does not apply	Does not apply	After 4 innings (3.5 for home team)	After 5 innings (4.5 for home team)	After 5 innings (4.5 for home team)