



MODESTO GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Exceptions to NSA Rules

8U Division - 2024 Season

1. Pitching Distance:
 - a) 30 feet (Mound will be provided)

2. Distance between bases:
 - a) 55 feet, unless permanent bases

3. Game Time and Innings:
 - a) Games shall have a 1 hour and 10 minute or seven inning limit.
 - b) No scores are kept, but all innings will have a 5 run limit. There is no open inning.

4. Player and Batting Order:
 - a) Each player is to play at least 2 innings per game, at 2 different positions. All
 - b) Players are rotated into the game on an equal basis.
 - c) During the course of the season, each player should have the opportunity to play every position.
 - d) A team will consist of at most 10 players on the field, with the rover being the fourth outfielder, not stationed on second base.
 - e) Each team must have a minimum of seven players to play a game. There is free substitution at all positions.
 - f) **During the first half of the season**, any player who fails to hit the ball fair after **5 Coach pitches** will be allowed to hit off the tee. This includes swings, misses, and foul balls. When hitting off the tee, the ball must travel at least 6 feet or a "no play" will be called and the batter may hit again.
 - g) **During the second half of the season, a batter will have 3 kid pitches and 2 coach pitches (Total of 5 pitches). After 5 pitches if the ball is not hit the batter is out. If the 5th pitch is foul, coach will pitch until ball is hit fair or is a strike.**

5. On a ball hit to the outfield, the batter and all runners may advance to home base. Ball is dead once pitcher has control of ball.
6. Runners must return to previous base if they have not reached base before Pitcher has control of ball.
7. Runners may advance one base on overthrows.
8. The infield fly rule will not be used.
9. No stealing is allowed.
10. Home team will always be assigned the 3rd base dugout, and the Visiting team will be assigned the 1st base dugout.
11. All batters must wear helmets. Helmets must have face guards and chin straps.