



## WCSA Softball Allstar Rules

WCSA softball is not currently affiliated with any organization (i.e. Little League, ASA, etc.). However, ASA rules will serve as the primary set of rules for WCSA softball except as modified herein. If no modification to the applicable rule is incorporated, the ASA rules will prevail.

**1. Max Roster Size:** 13 Maximum

**2. Age Verification:** All players on a team must be registered within the age boundaries of the division they are playing for as of January 1 of that year.

**3. Pitching Distance:**

- A. 10U @ 35 feet.
- B. 12U @ 40 feet
- C. 14U @ 40 feet

**4. Softballs:**

- A. 10U – 11-inch softball ASA approved .47 core
- B. 12U and 14U - 12-inch softball ASA approved .47 core ball

**5. Coaching Staff:**

- 1 manager and 2 coaches allowed regardless of number of player

**6. Allowed Players on Defence:**

- You may play with 9 players on the field. 6 infielders and 3 outfielders. Outfielders must start play on the outfield grass.

**7. Time Limits:** Games 5 innings or 70 min, finishing the inning for bracket games. Pool games will be 60 minutes, finish the batter. In the event of a tie at the end of the bracket game, the game will presume under Aggressive California rules.

- A. Bases loaded and the batter gets one pitch.
- B. It will be finish the inning, both teams will get a chance to score.

**8. Pitching Innings:** No restrictions

**9. Run Limit:**

- 5 run limit per ½ inning for pool games. No run limit for Bracket games.



**11. Mercy Rule:**

A. 10 run's after 4 innings.

**12. Pitcher returning to mound:** A pitcher remaining in the game, but moving to a different position, can return as a pitcher any time in the remainder of the game, but only once in the same inning as she was removed.

**13. Safety Equipment:**

- A. Pitchers must wear a fielder's facemask or batting helmet with face guard.
- B. Catchers must have full helmet with throat protection, chest protector or long neck guard, and catcher's shin guards.
- C. Infielders are required to wear fielders mask.

**14. Batting Order:** You may bat the roster

No slash hitting for 10U or 12U. Slash hitting is allowed for 14U. (Showing bunt, pull back, and swing away.)

**15. Players Re-enter:** Any player who has been removed for a substitute may re-enter the game.

**16. Conferences:**

A. Defensive: one in an inning. Pitchers are allowed three in a game; the pitcher must be removed from the circle on the forth visit. Each pitcher has her own "count" of visits, which resumes if pitcher returns to circle.

B. Offensive: Two per inning. Courtesy runner not charged.

**17. Dropped 3rd Strike rule:**

- Batter may run on dropped 3<sup>rd</sup> strike.

If there is already a runner on first the batter my only proceed to first if there is already two outs.

**18. Base Stealing:**

- Runner may leave when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand. Home plate is open (you may steal).

**19. Overthrows:** Bases are not limited on overthrows. If the ball goes out of play, it will be considered a dead ball and the running player will be awarded the next base.

**20. Sliding:** A player must slide at 2nd, 3rd, and home plate if a play is being made. This is an Umpires judgement call. NO head first sliding unless returning to a bag.

**21. On Deck Batters:** The only player allowed out of the dugout is the on deck batter



**22. Infield Fly Rule in effect:**

- if there is a player on first and second or bases loaded with less than two outs and the ball is hit in the air inside the infield a infield fly rule will be called. Batter is out. Runners can advance at there own risk.

**23. Courtesy Runner:** A courtesy runner can be used with two (2) outs for the catcher. The courtesy runner must be the last recorded out.

**24. Replacement Player:** If a replacement player (pool) is needed they must play the outfield and bat last. Pool players cannot play in consecutive games for the same team.

**25. Throwing the bat:** A player who throws a bat will be personally warned, the first time by the Umpire, any time after that warning she will be called out. This is Umpire's judgement call.

**26. Bat rule:** Bat must be marked Official Softball Fast Pitch by the manufacture and not be more than 2 ¼" in diameter. The bat must bear an ASA certified stamp.

**27. Cleats:**

A. NO metal cleats.

**28. Jewelry:** All players are prohibited from wearing jewelry during the playing of any game.

**29. Disruptive Behavior:** WCSA will not tolerate any fighting or disruptive behavior by anyone (players, parents, managers, and fans) during any WCSA sponsored activity at ANY playing Field. **THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED AND VIOLATORS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE PREMISES.** Any violator not leaving voluntarily will be escorted away by local enforcement authorities and banned from all future involvement in WCSA activities.

**30. Weather delays:** In the event of inclement weather, or other delays beyond our control, their will be a 15 minute delay for lightening strikes within 8 miles.