

## YGSA REC LEAGUE RULES

### RULES FOR 3RD & 4TH GRADE DIVISION

ALL RULES ARE ASA FAST PITCH RULES UNLESS NOTED HERE

### SAFETY FIRST

#### FIELD OF PLAY

**PITCHING** – Pitcher to home – 35 feet

Legal pitch begins both feet on the rubber, one step and release ball.

**One foot must remain on rubber** (step with opposite foot of dominant hand).

**DISTANCE** – Base to base is 60 feet

#### GAME-RULES

**NO WALKS.** The pitcher will pitch 5 pitches, after 5 pitches the offensive registered YGSA coach will finish the pitch count to the batter, max of 3 pitches. Every pitch of the coach is a strike, either a hit or an out. No walks. Encourage your players to swing the bat and work with your pitchers.

A team shall consist of ten players on the field and all players must play at least half of every game in the field. Four players in the field must play outfield positions unless a team is playing with less than 10 fielders. (Infielders consist of pitcher, catcher, 1<sup>st</sup> base, second base, third base, and shortstop. All other fielders must play outfield)

Batting line-up will consist of all girls present from each team. Everyone bats.

The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3rd innings shall consist of 3 outs or 4 runs, whichever comes first. All subsequent innings are open.

There is **no** infield fly rule in this division.

There is no stealing in this age division. Girls should be encouraged to lead off when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand.

Players should rotate in the field so that each player has exposure to each position.

A game shall consist of a time limit of 1(one) hour and 15 min. The game must end at 7:15. At that point the game is over, done, even if in the middle of the inning. The second game is 1 hour 15 minutes, starting at 7:30.

No jewelry is allowed on field-practices as well as games. Studs may be taped.

1st or 3rd base coaches may not come into contact with any player on the field during play.

Not sliding on a close play at a base or home to avoid a collision will result in an automatic out of that base runner.

One (1) umpire will be available for this division. The umpire strike zone will be a large strike zone.

#### EQUIPMENT

Hats are encouraged to be worn while batting.

Batting helmets with a face mask (must meet NOCSAE standards) and chin straps are worn at all times when batting or running the bases at all games and practices.

Catchers must wear catching equipment at all games and practices.

Players with braces are strongly encouraged to wear mouthpieces.

#### UNIFORMS

Uniforms are provided by the league and may be kept when the season is finished. Uniforms may not be altered (only sleeves may be cut off at the seam). No undergarments showing. No inappropriate dress on the playing field. This will be decided by the umpire/coach and may exclude you from the game.

**INJURIES**

Each team is provided with a basic first aid kit: band aids, gauze pads, tape and rubber gloves. In case of a serious injury and parent/guardian are not present, contact necessary medical personnel. If a child is told by a doctor to sit out of practice and/or games - they will then need to bring a written doctors note saying they are o.k. to play again. Keep that note and attach it to the child's registration form.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Coaches must bring registration/consent forms with them to all games and practices in case of emergency.

Coaches – please notify your commissioner of any situations that arise – medical or other.

RAINOUTS – will be announced on all Yankton Radio Stations. Games will try to be rescheduled

**TOURNAMENT RULES**

Play innings out after time has expired, if needed; Play full 75 minutes and finish inning; Can't end in a tie; May be continued to next day due to daylight or weather issues; Schedules will be out 1 week before tournament play begins.

Contacts: [ygsa@ymail.com](mailto:ygsa@ymail.com)

Equipment – Dave – 665-6507

