

Minnetonka Girls Softball Association Rules 10U Modified Pitch

- All pitches will be delivered by a player - there will be no coach pitching.
- Pitches can be delivered at any speed and with or without an observable arc. No “windmilling” is permitted.
- The pitching distance is 30 feet from the pitching rubber to home plate. However, the defensive team will have the option to pitch from 35 feet.
- A 4-ball, 2-strike count will be used (that is, all batters start with a 0-ball, 1-strike count).
- The game ball will be an 11" soft softball.
- A base runner may not leave a base until the batter strikes the ball.
- The ball is in play on an overthrow as long as the ball is in the playing field, until the pitcher has possession of the ball and is within the pitcher's circle. The pitcher's circle is defined as an imaginary circle with a 15-foot radius around the pitcher's rubber. In the event that an advancing runner has passed a base and is less than half way to the next base when the ball is received by the pitcher, then the runner must return to the last base touched and cannot be tagged out. If the runner is at least half way to the next base, then the runner may advance at her own risk.
- The infield fly rule is not in effect.
- Baserunners may not tag and advance on a fly ball.
- The distance between bases is 50 feet.
- The defensive team will position a catcher, a pitcher, up to 4 infielders and up to 4 outfielders. The outfielders must stand at least 20 feet behind the first-second and second-third baselines.
- There is no minimum number of players required to start or finish a game.
- A team may score no more than 5 runs in one inning.
- No game shall exceed 75 minutes. If the final inning has not been completed in that time, the team with the most runs before the start of the final inning shall be declared the game winner.
- During the game, no player will play more than 4 innings in the infield (excluding pitching) and no more than two innings at any position (except pitcher, where a player may play 3 innings).
- Each team is responsible for cleaning up their dugout and bleacher areas after the game.