

# Jaguar Girls Fastpitch Invitational Ashwaubenon, WI

## Rules for 12 & Under

### July 26 - 29, 2012

- 1) Each game (7 innings) has a time limit of 1 hour and 20 minutes, umpire will keep the official time. No new inning will start after the time limit has expired. An inning begins when the last out is made. In case of inclement weather games may be shortened, rescheduled, or canceled. There is no time limit for the championship game.
- 2) Maximum of 10 players on the field. 9 players are required to start a game, 8 players are needed to complete a game.
- 3) 4 players must start each play on the grass, unless playing without 10 players.
- 4) Pitching will be from 40 feet. 3 warm up pitches between innings, 5 for new pitchers.
- 5) Stealing of 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> base is allowed after the ball crosses the plate – Stealing of home is allowed if a runner starting the play at 3<sup>rd</sup> base is played upon.
- 6) Games tied at the end of regulation play or time limit will start the next inning with the last batter placed on second.
- 7) Pitchers are limited to 4 innings per game. A single pitch in an inning constitutes an inning pitched
- 8) The entire roster must bat. Free substitution on defense.
- 9) A courtesy runner may be used for the catcher or pitcher. Courtesy runner will be the last out..
- 10) Batter is out on a dropped 3<sup>rd</sup> strike.
- 11) The infield fly rule is not used.
- 12) Mercy rule of 15 runs after 3 innings, 12 runs after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 innings.
- 13) Teams must provide and wear their own batting helmets with face masks. No metal spikes.
- 14) On-deck batter should be in the circle behind the batter.
- 15) In case of identical records, the following tie breakers will be used to determine advancement to the championship bracket:
  - a. Head to head competition (in 2 way tie only)
  - b. Total runs allowed in the 3 pool games
  - c. Total runs scored in the 3 pool games
  - d. A coin flip
- 16) Coaches are responsible to maintain the cleanliness of their dugout
- 17) Alcoholic beverages, smoking, and profanity are prohibited.
- 18) Harassment or intentional distraction by a team member, coaching staff, or fan toward an opposing team will not be tolerated.
- 19) Umpire decisions are final - Tournament committee reserves the right to change any of the listed rules
- 20) Rules not covered here are governed by National Federation (WIAA)