**ROSA FASTPITCH SOFTBALL LOCAL RULES SUMMARY (v1.4)**

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| **Rule/Level** | **Mite** | **Squirt** | **Pee Wee** | **Boys Bantam-Midget** | **Girls Bantam** | **Girls Midget** |
| **Game Length** | 7 innings - 2hr Time Limit | 7 innings - 2hr Time Limit | 7 innings - 2hr Time Limit | 7 innings - 2hr Time Limit | 7 innings - 2hr Time Limit | 7 innings - 2hr Time Limit |
| **Time Limit (Local Rule)** | No new inning after8:10pm(or 1hr 40min after start) | Last inning not to start before7:55pm(or 1hr 25min after start) | Last inning not to start before7:55pm(or 1hr 25min after start) | Last inning not to start before7:55pm or 9:55pm(or 1hr 25min after start) | Last inning not to start before7:55pm or 9:55pm(or 1hr 25min after start) | Last inning not to start before7:55pm or 9:55pm(or 1hr 25min after start) |
| **Mercy Rule (Local Rule)** | 5 runs/half inningincluding last inning | 4 runs/half inningexcept last inning | 4 runs/half inningexcept last inning | 4 runs/half inningexcept last inning | 4 runs/half inningexcept last inning | 4 runs/half inningexcept last inning |
| **Last Inning (Local Rule)** | **Home team bats in****last inning** regardless of score. | **No Mercy Rule****Knockout Rule** Home just has to win by 1 run then game is over | **No Mercy Rule****Knockout Rule** Home just has to win by 1 run then game is over | **No Mercy Rule****Knockout Rule** Home just has to win by 1 run then game is over | **No Mercy Rule****Knockout Rule** Home just has to win by 1 run then game is over | **No Mercy Rule****Knockout Rule** Home just has to win by 1 run then game is over |
| **Players (Local Rules)**Automatic Out Extra Outfielder Batting Order Substitution | 7 minimumNo Auto Out if < 9 playersNot AllowedAll Players Bat Unlimited | 7 minimumNo Auto Out if < 9 playersNot AllowedAll Players Bat Unlimited | 7 minimumNo Auto Out if < 9 playersNot AllowedAll Players Bat Unlimited | 7 minimumNo Auto Out if < 9 playersNot AllowedAll Players Bat Unlimited | 7 minimumNo Auto Out if < 9 playersNot AllowedAll Players Bat Unlimited | 7 minimumNo Auto Out if < 9 playersNot AllowedAll Players Bat Unlimited |
| **Dropped Third Strike**(See Rule Sec 8-1b) | Batter Automatically Out(**Local Rule**) | Batter Automatically Out(**Local Rule**) | **Regular Rule Applies**(See Rule Sec 8-1b) | **Regular Rule Applies**(See Rule Sec 8-1b) | **Regular Rule Applies**(See Rule Sec 8-1b) | **Regular Rule Applies**(See Rule Sec 8-1b) |
| **Pitching/Substitution**Max. Innings (Local Rule) Pitching Stance | 2 innings/game2 feet on pitching plateNo stepping back | 3 innings/game2 feet on pitching plateNo stepping back | 3 innings/game2 feet on pitching plateNo stepping back | 12 outs/game1 foot on pitching plateNo stepping back | 12 outs/game2 feet on pitching plate No stepping back | 12 outs/game1 foot on pitching plate No stepping back |
| **Lead-Off** | Not until ball crosses home plate(**Local Rule**) | Not until ball crosses home plate(**Local Rule**) | **Regular Rule Applies**After ball released by pitcher (Rule Sec 8-5a) | **Regular Rule Applies**After ball released by pitcher (Rule Sec 8-5a) | **Regular Rule Applies**After ball released by pitcher (Rule Sec 8-5a) | **Regular Rule Applies**After ball released by pitcher (Rule Sec 8-5a) |
| **Stealing Restrictions** | No stealing home on any exchange between pitcher & catcher (**Local Rule**) | **Regular Rule Applies**No Restrictions other than Lead-Off Rule | **Regular Rule Applies**No Restrictions other than Lead-Off Rule | **Regular Rule Applies**No Restrictions other than Lead-Off Rule | **Regular Rule Applies**No Restrictions other than Lead-Off Rule | **Regular Rule Applies**No Restrictions other than Lead-Off Rule |
| **Infield Fly Rule** | Not used(**Local Rule**) | Not used(**Local Rule**) | **Regular Rule Applies**(See Rule Sec 8-2l) | **Regular Rule Applies**(See Rule Sec 8-2l) | **Regular Rule Applies**(See Rule Sec 8-2l) | **Regular Rule Applies**(See Rule Sec 8-2l) |
| **Throwing of Bat (Local Rule)** | Automatic Out - Dead Ball | Automatic Out - Dead Ball | Automatic Out - Dead Ball | Automatic Out - Dead Ball | Automatic Out - Dead Ball | Automatic Out - Dead Ball |
| **Dress Code**ShirtCaps (**Local Rule**)Pants (**Local Rule**)JewelleryChin Straps (**Loc. Rule**)Pitching MaskBatter Helmet Cage | Numbers on backNot RequiredShorts Not Allowed Umpire DiscretionNot RequiredRequiredRequired | Numbers on backNot RequiredShorts Not AllowedUmpire DiscretionNot RequiredRequiredRequired | Numbers on backNot RequiredShorts Not Allowed Umpire DiscretionNot RequiredRequiredRequired | Numbers on backNot RequiredShorts Not AllowedUmpire DiscretionNot RequiredNot RequiredNot Required | Numbers on backNot RequiredShorts Not Allowed Umpire DiscretionNot RequiredNot RequiredNot Required | Numbers on backNot RequiredShorts Not Allowed Umpire DiscretionNot RequiredNot RequiredNot Required |

 Note: **SOFTBALL CANADA RULES** unless specifically indicated as a **Local Rule**.

**ROSA FASTPITCH SOFTBALL LOCAL RULES DISTANCES/SIZES (v1.4)**

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| **Distances/Sizes** | **Mite** | **Squirt** | **Pee Wee** | **Boys Bantam-Midget** | **Girls Bantam** | **Girls Midget** |
| Pitching (Male/Female) BasesBall Size | 30' / 28' 45'11" | 35' / 33'55'11" | 40' / 38'60'12" | 44' 60'12" | 40'60'12" | 40'60'12" |

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