

OPS Summer Fastpitch Softball

Rules

- **1. Pre-Game:** Each coach is responsible for checking game schedules to confirm the field location and time.
- **2. Umpires:** All umpires will be assigned by each community. One umpire will be assigned for each game. Payment will be handled by the home team.
- **3.** Cancellations: All games must be played as stated on the schedule. Any games cancelled due to weather will be rescheduled. For any reschedules, please get with the opposing team to find a few dates that work for both teams, then communicate those dates to the appropriate community rep for a reschedule.
- **4. Team Rosters:** Rosters are created by each community organization. Please remember that all registrations and any team additions go through their office. Each community office will have the final say on all rosters. **Those rostered to a travel team after March 31**st are not eligible for this league.
- **5. Divisions:** We will offer the following divisions if registration numbers allow: $3^{rd}-4^{th}$, $5^{th}-6^{th}$, $7^{th}-8^{th}$.
- **6. Game Balls:** Each team shall provide one new game ball per game. 3^{rd} - 4^{th} will use an 11-inch ball. 5^{th} - 8^{th} will use a 12-inch ball.
- **7. Concussion Training:** All coaches must complete the training program on concussions and head injuries as required by Ohio state law. This course is a three year certification and can be accessed via NFHS website: http://nfhslearn.com/courses
- **8. Background Checks:** <u>All Head Coaches</u> and <u>Assistant Coaches</u> need to complete background checks through their respective community.
- **9. Program Goal:** The purpose of this program is to provide a recreational opportunity for our communities to learn, develop, and improve their athletic skills and sportsmanship by experiencing a safe, competitive yet friendly, athletic environment. Games should always be played despite the number of players present. Always be respectful to all opposing players, coaches, spectators, and umpires. Games are intended to be FUN!

Game Rules

All games will be played using USSSA Rules except:

- **1.** Mercy Rule: The mercy rule for all divisions is 15 runs after 4 innings; 10 runs after 5 innings.
- **2.** <u>Time Limit:</u> There is a 90 minute time limit on all games. No new inning shall start after 90 minutes from the official start of the game as set by the Head Umpire.
- **3.** <u>Substitute Players:</u> If a substitute or pick-up player is needed, teams can loan a player, or a player may be called up from a lower division. <u>A substitute player cannot pitch</u>. Please contact your Community Office & Opposing Team in the event a sub is needed.
- **4.** <u>Batting Line-Up:</u> All players are required to be in the batting line-up. The team batting order is established at the start of the game.
- **5.** <u>No Automatic Out:</u> If batting the entire line-up or if short players, there is no automatic "out" recorded if for *any* reason (i.e., injury, absence, etc) a team cannot fill a position in the batting line-up.
- **6.** <u>Defensive Substitution:</u> Freedom of defensive substitution in the nine (9) defensive positions is permitted. All players are expected to play at least 3 innings.
- 7. All Metal spikes are prohibited.

Special Game Rules: These additional, special exceptions apply:

- **1.** Runs Per Inning: A maximum of 6 runs or "runs to tie", whichever is greater, may be scored each half inning.
- **2.** <u>Stealing</u>: No more than one base may be stolen on any *one* pitch, no matter what play action may occur following the pitch. Ex. Passed ball, Error, Overthrow, etc.
- 3. <u>Walks:</u> A batter who walks can only advance to first base. Any runner attempting to advance has to wait until the next pitch is thrown.
- 4. ALL DIVISIONS: If agreed upon by BOTH coaches a team may field 4 Outfielders
- 5. 3rd-4th Division Only:
 - a. Dropped Third Strike: The dropped third strike rule does *not* apply.

Base & Pitching Distances

3rd/**4th Grade** 60 FT Bases- 35 FT Mound **5**th/**6**th **Grade** 60 FT Bases – 40 FT Mound **7**th/**8**th **Grade** 60 FT Bases – 43 FT Mound

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3rd & 4th

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Perrysburg Team #3 (Schneider)

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5th&6th

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7th&8th

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General League Information

Sylvania Recreation:

Office Location: 7060 Sylvania Ave, Sylvania, Ohio 43560

Park Info/Closing: Can be found at playsylvania.com or by calling 419-882-1500

Game Sites:

Veteran's Memorial Field – 5898 Woodrow Dr, Sylvania, Ohio 43560

Pacesetter Park – 8801 Sylvania-Metamora Rd, Sylvania, Ohio 43560

McCord Jr. High – 4304 N McCord Rd, Sylvania, Ohio 43560

Oregon Parks and Recreation:

Office Location: 5330 Seaman Rd., Oregon, Ohio 43616

Park Info/Closing: Can be found at oregonohiorec.com or by calling 419-698-7169

Game Sites:

William P. Coontz Recreation Complex – 5330 Seaman Rd., Oregon, Ohio 43616

Perrysburg Amateur Baseball & Softball Commission:

Park Info/Closing: Can be found at www.pabsc.org

Contact Information: house softball@pabsc.org and vpsoftball@pabsc.org

Mailing Address: PO Box 963, Perryburg, OH 43552

Game Sites:

Perrysburg Municipal Park – 945 Elm St, Perrysburg, OH 43551 **Rivercrest Park** – 13761 Eckel Junction Rd, Perrysburg, OH 43551