

CBFO LEAGUE RULES

13-19 League

1. ASA Softball rules will apply except for local rules.

2. Local Rules:

a) Slingshotting the bat will result in a warning. The second violation by the same player will result in an out being issued.

b) Games will last 4 innings. If the home team is ahead by 8 or more runs at the end of 2 ½ innings, the game is over. If the visiting team is ahead by 8 or more runs at the end of 3 full innings, the game is over. If the home team goes ahead by 8 runs or more in the bottom of the 3rd inning, the game is over. If the 4th inning starts, the game will be played until there is a winner in accordance with ASA rules. The first 2 innings will be capped at 5 runs and the last 2 will be open. In the event of a tie after regulation, play will resume using the international tie breaker rule. In the case of inclement weather games will be official if 2 ½ innings have been played and the home team is ahead or 3 innings if the visiting team is ahead. If the 4th inning starts and the game is called because of inclement weather the score at the end of the 3rd inning will be final unless there is a tie. If the game is tied after 3 innings and cancelled due to weather the game will be replayed in its entirety.

c) All players will be in the batting order and will remain in the same order throughout the game. Players arriving late may be placed at the END of the original line-up submitted before the game providing all players have NOT batted prior to her arrival. Line-ups must be submitted to the official scorekeeper 10 minutes before the scheduled game time. If the line-up is not submitted on time an out may be charged. Players listed on the line-up card are considered present and if it turns out that they are not present an out will be charged each time their turn at bat comes up. It is strongly recommended that players not present 10 minutes before game time be added to the END of the line-up as stated above upon arrival. Once the game starts, and all players have batted, late arrivals will not be allowed to play. Teams must have 8 players to start a game. No outs will be charged to a team with 8 players. If a player leaves a game early for any reason other than injury or illness an out will be charged with an out each time she is scheduled to bat. No outs will be charged if a player leaves due to injury or illness.

d) Free substitution will be allowed, however no player shall sit out defensively more than one inning in a row. The starting pitcher may be removed from the game and may return as a pitcher after the substitute pitcher has faced at least 1 batter. The starting pitcher need not stay in the game to return. Once the starting pitcher is removed for the second time, she will not be allowed to pitch for the remainder of the game. Substitute pitchers removed will not be allowed to pitch for the remainder of the game.

e) Coaches will be allowed 1 visit to the mound per inning. A second visit will require the removal of the pitcher. After removal of the pitcher, the 1 visit rule will start over.

f) On a dropped third strike a batter may advance to first base if first base is not occupied with less than 2 outs or first base is occupied with 2 outs. ASA rules will apply.

3. The home team will be responsible for keeping score and operating the electric scoreboard. Please, no children. The visiting team will provide 1 concession stand worker.

4. It is mandatory that coaches and parents have the utmost respect for umpires. Coaches should carefully discuss this with parents. Unsportsmanlike conduct of coaches, parents, or anyone else associated with CBFO softball will not be tolerated.

5. Coaches will be responsible for having their team ready throughout the game. Unnecessary delays could result in whatever penalty the umpire deems appropriate including forfeiture.

Thank you so much for giving your time and talent to CBFO girls softball. Because of people like you, we are providing a better place for our children and youth. Good luck, and have a great year!

Don Hutcheson
Commissioner