

Coach Pitch Rules

1. Fair Ball Arc: There will be a twenty (20) foot arc drawn from First (1st) baseline to third (3rd) baseline in front of home plate. A batted ball must go past this line to be a fair ball.
2. Safety Arc: There will be a thirty (30) foot arc drawn from first (1st) baseline to third (3rd) baseline in front of home plate. Infielders must stay behind this line until the ball is hit.
3. Pitching Circle: There will be a ten (10) foot diameter circle with the front edge set at forty-two (42) feet from the back point of home plate. The pitching coach must keep one foot on or straddle the pitcher's line. The pitching coach cannot coach while he is in the pitching position, either verbally or physically and once the ball has been hit, must position himself as not to be an obstruction to the defensive team on any possible play. Penalty: If a coach violates this rule after the ball is pitched, then the obstruction will be called. If a coach violates this rule before the ball is pitched, he will be warned. On his second offense, he will be removed from the pitching coach for the remainder of the game.
4. Ten (10) defensive players will play in the field with four (4) outfielders which must stay behind the baselines
5. No lead off or stealing. No bunting. No infield fly rule is ever in effect. Teams will use 9" balls.
6. Free substitution on the defense.
7. Teams will bat their roster and the batting order will remain the same throughout the game. Late comers will be added to the bottom of the lineup.
8. A player may only be intentionally walked once per game by announcement from the defensive game.
9. Umpires will call "time" after every play and declare the ball dead. "Time" should be called as soon as the lead runner is not attempting to advance. "Time" does not have to be called by the defense for the purpose of this rule.
10. Pitching rules: Coach Pitch - 6 pitches or 3 swinging strikes. Batter will continue batting if his last strike is fouled off. The offensive side is retired when 3 outs or seven runs are scored.
11. The defensive player listed as pitcher cannot leave the pitching circle until the ball is hit. Penalty: The play continues. After the play has ended, the offensive team has the option of taking the result of the play or no-pitch. If a player violates this rule on his first offense he will be warned. On his second offense he will be removed from the pitching position for the remainder of the game.
12. A team may use a courtesy runner for the catcher anytime he gets on base. The courtesy runner must be the player who made the last out. If no outs, the courtesy runner shall be the last batter who is not on base.
13. When a batted ball hits the Pitching Coach, the following rules will apply. If in the umpires judgment, the coach did not make a legitimate attempt to avoid contact, the batter is declared out and no runners shall advance. If in the umpires judgment, the coach did make a legitimate attempt to avoid contact, the ball becomes dead and no-pitch is declared.
14. Have fun and remember these are just little boys.