

Jackson County Parks and Recreation
Barrow County Parks and Recreation
6U Softball / 6U Baseball League Rules

Special Provisions:

- 1) Games shall be complete after **five (5) innings** or the one hour time limit.
- 2) Ten players may play defense (4 outfielders). Teams must have a minimum of 8 players to start or continue a game. The 9th batter only will be counted as an out if you have only 8 players. A team may start and finish with 9 players with no penalty. The 10th batter will not be an out.
- 3) Offensive coach will pitch. He/she may pitch overhand or underhand from the designated area, The offensive coach pitching must remain silent during play. The other offensive coaches must stand in the coaches' box.
- 4) There will be **two** defensive coach allowed on the field, the coach may not touch the ball or players while the ball is in play.
Defensive Positioning: A maximum of 6 players are allowed inside the Baselines -including the pitcher and catcher. May play 5 outfielders, subbing the remainder players in and out. All outfielders must at start **at least 15' (5 yards) behind the base path until the ball is hit.**
- 5) Players will get 5 pitches or 3 swinging strikes. A foul ball that is bunted on the 3rd strike is an out. After a player has had 5 pitches or 3 swinging strikes, they will get 2 swings to hit off a tee. If the batter fails to hit a fair ball with their 2 tee swings, they are out.
- 6) **There will be a 4 run limit per inning.**
- 7) **Time will be awarded once the ball is controlled in the infield and the lead runner has stopped and/or controlled from advancing.**
- 8) No Stealing
- 9) Bunting is allowed. The ball must be on or past the bunt arc to be a fair ball.
- 10) Each team shall have one defensive time-out per inning.
- 11) Each team shall have one offensive time-out per inning.
- 12) No infield fly rule will be called.
- 13) 6U Softball will be an 11" ball and 6U Baseball will be a regulation baseball
- 14) **Run Rule: 5 runs after 4 innings OR 11 runs after 3 innings**
- 15) Any player playing in the pitchers position must wear a face mask.
- 16) Player playing the catcher's position must wear helmet and face mask.

Note: Home team must bat 3 times. All players must bat at least once before game is called no matter the run differential.