



# Bismarck Youth Fastpitch Softball Association

## 6U League Game Rules

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The 6U division focuses on player development and having fun. It is important that players learn the basic skills of the game (throwing, batting, game rules, etc.) and leave this season with a positive experience which will promote them to return the following season. The rules listed below are intended to provide for a learning atmosphere and not to be competitive.

### Rules

1. There will be one game each week and one practice night each week.
2. Players will use an 11" "softee" softball.
3. All players will bat each inning and play defense in the field. Extra players will be placed in the outfield.
4. Coaches are strongly encouraged to be in the field to instruct players. Small pauses during game play are allowed to provide instruction. This should occur between batters or after a play has finished.
5. Catchers are required to wear all gear (helmet, chest guard, shin guards, etc.).
6. Facemasks are **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** for all players.
7. Outs are unlimited each inning as all players will be batting. The end of a ½ inning is after the last batter has hit.
8. The infield fly rule is not in effect.
9. This is a t-ball league. Each batter will get 3 attempts to hit the ball from the coach, then offered the tee.
10. No bunting is allowed.
11. No walking is allowed.
12. No stealing is allowed.
13. No advancing base runners on overthrows to the pitcher from the catcher.
14. No advancing base runners on passed balls by catcher.
15. All players are required to play infield and outfield each game rotating the players each inning, batting lineup must be changed each game.
16. No scores are kept at this level.
17. No umpires during games. Decisions are left up to coaches of each team.
18. Infield players are encouraged to field the ball and throw to first base. First base then throws to the player pitcher.
19. Plays to second, third or home will be limited to practice, at this time, unless the ball is hit to the outfield. Outfield will field the ball, throw to second, second to first and then first to player pitcher.

Go to [www.bismarckfastpitch.com](http://www.bismarckfastpitch.com) for coaching aides.

### Code of Conduct

It is the coach's responsibility to ensure all players, parents, and spectators are following the leagues code of conduct to be respectful of umpires, coaches, players, and other fans.