

Dublin Little League Softball Operating Policy - Spring 2026

DIVISION:	<i>Updated as of 2/3/26</i>			
	AA	AAA	Majors	Juniors
League Age	6-10	8-11	11-12	12-14
Fielders	9 or 10	9	9	9
Game Time Limits	1:30 No New 1:45 Hard Stop	1:30 No New 1:45 Hard Stop	1:45 No New 2:00 Hard Stop	2:00 No New 2:15 Hard Stop
Max Innings (Official Game)	6 (2)	6 (2)	6 (4)	7 (5)
Umpires	Umpires	League Umpires or Junior Umpires	League Umpires or Junior Umpires	League Umpires
Game Ball (Yellow)	10" Worth RIF Level 1 or equivalent	11" Worth or equivalent	12" Worth Dream Seam or equivalent	12" Worth Dream Seam or equivalent
Pitch Type	Player/Adult	Player	Player	Player
Pitching Distance (Feet)	30	35	40	43
Pitching Limits	3 Innings Game 6 Innings Week	Innings/Week	None	None
Pitching facemask	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Helmet w/facemask (NOCSAE Approved)	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Fielding Faceguard	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
Cleats	Molded	Molded	Molded	Metal allowed
Bats	BPF 1.20, Max 33"	BPF 1.20, Max 33"	BPF 1.20, Max 33"	BPF 1.20, Max 34"
On-deck Batter	Not allowed	Not allowed	Not allowed	Yes
Run Rule per inning	or declared last inning)	inning (Unlimited in 6th or declared	None	None
15/10/8 Run Rule during 3/4/5 Innings	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Batting Order	Continuous	Continuous	Continuous	Continuous
Mandatory Play	6 defensive outs and may not sit more than 2 consecutive innings	6 defensive outs and may not sit more than 2 consecutive innings	6 defensive outs and may not sit more than 2 consecutive innings	6 defensive outs and may not sit more than 2 consecutive innings
Mandatory Play Infield	(not required for playoffs)	(not required for playoffs)	(not required for playoffs)	N/A
Hit Batters allowed (suggestion)	3/inning and 5/game-Taking base at player/team discretion	3/inning and 5/game	N/A	N/A
recent available in lineup	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bunting	Yes - during player pitch only	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dropped 3rd strike	No	No	Yes	Yes
Stealing	No	pitched ball has been batted or	leaves pitcher's hand	leaves pitcher's hand
Stealing Home	No	stealing home. 2nd half, stealing	Yes	Yes
Advance on Wild Pitch	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Advance on Overthrow	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Infield Fly Rule	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ball Dead When	pitcher's circle, regardless if ball is	Circle	Circle	Circle
Special note (a):	Player pitch, coach comes in to complete count. Pitcher gets 3 pitches. If any strikes remain at end of 3 pitches, coach takes over count.	Pitching limit of 3 innings per game removed for the playoffs (21 innings per week and LLI pitching rules still apply)		
Special note (b):	until ball is hit	grass until ball is hit		
Special note (c):				