

2015 South Oxford Softball League Division Rules

O.R.S.A. rules prevail in S.O.S.L. play unless otherwise stated below.

1. In All Series

- All league games should not have an inning start after 1 ½ hrs. of play.
- In case of a tie the points shall be split up but in playoff the tie shall be broken.
- In all 2 of 3 playoff series the 3rd game of the series must have neutral umpires, they will be appointed by the league and the cost will be split between the two teams involved.
- The plate umpire must be 1 year older than the age of the players from squirt down unless they are fully carded.
- All Softball Ontario JD umpires are eligible to umpire tyke to squirt playoff tournament games.
- All umpires used in S.O.S.L. regular season/playoff games and tournaments must be insured by Softball Ontario whether full carded or JD/Intermediate umpires.

2. Playoffs are in tournament format for Tyke, Atom, Squirt and Pee Wee. Bantam and Midget are in a 2 out of 3 series format.

3. Atom Girls & Boys

- No infield fly rule
- Players may only steal one base per pitch and no stealing home.

4. Atom Girls & Boys/Squirt Girls & Boys

- Leave base when ball crosses plate.
- No official umpire required in league games.
- Each half inning will consist of 3 outs or 6 runs, this applies to league games only.
- Batter is out on third strike whether the catcher catches the ball or not, ball remains alive.

5. Atom Girls & Boys/Squirt Girls & Boys/Pee Wee Girls & Boys/Bantam Girls & Boys/Midget Girls & Boys

- Teams are to use the free substitution rule where every player must bat in order and may enter and re-enter as many times as the coach wishes but this rule applies to defensive play only. This rule applies in all league games, playoffs and tournaments. Any player arriving late must have their name added to the bottom of the batting order.

6. Pee Wee Girls & Boys/Bantam Girls & Boys/ Midget Girls & Boys

- The 6 run per inning mercy rule will apply with the 7th inning being open.

7. Pee Wee Girls & Boys

- 1 official umpire required in league games.

- 10 run deficit after 5 innings and any inning thereafter will apply.

8. Bantam Girls & Boys

- 2 official umpires required in all games, league and playoff.

- 10 run deficit after 5 innings and any inning thereafter will apply.

- Games have a 1 ½ hr. time limit and no inning shall start after 11 p.m.

- Playoffs are to be a full 7 innings with no time limit and the mercy rule is in effect.

9. Midget Girls & Boys

- All league games to commence at 8:30 p.m. with a 1 ½ hr. time limit.

- 2 official umpires required for all games, league and playoff.

- 10 run deficit after 5 innings and any inning thereafter will apply.

- Playoffs are to be a full 7 innings with no time limit and the mercy rule is in effect.

