

All Teams/Series:

****Umpires must call balls and strikes from behind the plate****

- Teams are to use the free substitution rule where every player must bat in order and may re-enter as many times as the coach wishes but this rule applies to defensive play only.

Any player that is ill or injured will not be an out in the batting order, they will be taken out of the game and they cannot return.

Teams will be allowed to play with 8 players. However the ninth spot in the line-up will be an automatic out. If the ninth player or more show up he/she will be added to the bottom of the line-up. If a player is injured or ill and team only has 9 players the game may continue with the injured/ill players position being an automatic out. If an ejection drops to 8 players then the game is forfeited.

This rule applies in league games, playoffs and tournaments. Any player arriving late must have their name added to the bottom of the batting order.

- All league games should not have an inning start after 1 ½ hours of play *exceptions rookie*
- In case of a tie the points shall be split up but in playoffs a tie shall be broken.
- In all 2 out 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 fully carded or JD/ Intermediate umpires