

## 2016 South Oxford Softball League Division Rules

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

### Atom Boys and Atom Girls

- 11' ball, free substitution rule defensive play
- No infield fly rule
- Leave base when ball crosses plate
- Each half inning will consist of 3 outs or 6 runs
- Batter is out on third strike whether the catcher catches the ball or not, ball remains alive
- Players may only steal one base per pitch and no stealing home
- Playoffs are in form of a tournament
- No carded umpire required in league games

U 10 \* New optional rule

\*Pitchers may only pitch in 2 consecutive innings and only 4 innings in total per game. Pitching to one batter is to be considered an inning

\* 4 outfielders to be allowed for one or both teams (total of 10 fielders on defense) If mutually agreed before game.

### Squirt Boys and Squirt Girls

- 11' ball, free substitution rule defensive play
- Leave base when ball crossed plate
- No carded umpire required in league games
- Playoffs in form or tournament
- 3 outs or 6 runs rule
- Batter out on 3<sup>rd</sup> strike whether catcher catches ball or not, ball remains alive

### PeeWee Boys and PeeWee Girls

- 12' ball, free substitution rule defensive play
- 6 runs or 3 outs per inning rule applies until the 7<sup>th</sup> inning, then it is an open inning
- 1 ½ hour time limit (any inning started must be completed)
- 1 carded umpire
- 10 run deficit after 5 innings and any inning thereafter will apply

### Bantam Boys and Bantam Girls

- 2 carded umpires in both league and playoffs
- 12' ball
- 6 run rule per inning will apply with the 7<sup>th</sup> inning being open
- 10 run rule deficit after 5 innings and any inning thereafter will apply
- 1 ½ hour time limit (if game time was 8:30 then no inning shall start after 11pm)

- Playoffs to be a full of 7 innings, with no time limit and mercy rule is in effect

#### Midget Boys and Midget Girls

- 12' ball
- 2 carded umpires
- 6 run per inning mercy rule will apply with the 7<sup>th</sup> inning being open
- All league games to commence at 8:30 with a 1 ½ hour time limit and no inning to start after 11pm
- 10 run deficit after 5 innings and any innings thereafter will apply
- Playoffs are to be a full 7 innings with no time limit and the mercy rule is in effect



