

U6 Rules

THE TEAM

1. A U6 team is comprised of up to 10 girls and boys
2. Each team member must play in each game that they attend

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

1. Softball diamond is normal
 - a. Distance from home to first base is 40 feet
 - b. Distance between bases is 40 feet
 - c. Distance from home to plate to pitcher position is 26 feet
2. Batting tee
3. Bases (first base needs a safe base, white on the left, orange on the right)
4. Bats – small, light so that players can handle them
5. Helmets are mandatory – one for each batter, each runner and batter on deck – 5 in total
6. Catcher mask is mandatory
7. Ball glove
8. Shoes – ordinary running shoes – **NO CLEATS**
9. Balls – 11” softball – not a softie ball

PLAYING RULES 20/20/20 (when 3 teams on the field)

1. 3 teams on the field at a time
2. Team 1 fields for the batters for 20 minutes (home Team)
3. Team 2 bats for 20 minutes (Visiting Team)
4. Team 3 does skill development for 20 minutes
5. After 20 minutes, then rotate. Batting moves to fielding, fielding moves to skills development and skills move to batting. Again, after 20 minutes, teams rotate. Continue this till all teams have participated in each section. The Home Team will be the last team to bat.
6. Team that is batting
 - a. All players bat in the order listed by the coach
 - b. Each player swings until a fair ball is hit and runs to first base, stays there, even if tagged by the ball
 - c. Players run all the bases
 - d. No stealing bases
7. All kids present, play in the field

8. While playing in the field, you may try to get the out by tagging a runner or throwing to the base, but the runner will remain on base.

PLAYING RULES (when 2 teams on the field)

1. Only 2 teams on the field
2. Same batting and fielding rules except when batting, the last batter of inning will run around all the bases
3. When that runner gets all the way around to home, the teams will switch places
4. Try to complete 2 to 3 innings
5. No need to keep score, game is for **FUN**

GAME RULES

1. No new innings after 7:30
2. Ensure each player has equal opportunity to have fun
3. Teach the basic fundamentals only, such as:
 - a. Identifying positions
 - b. How to bat
 - c. Running the bases
 - d. How to throw and catch the ball
 - e. What is an out
 - f. How a run is scored

**REMEMBER....THE KIDS ARE HERE TO HAVE FUN AND LEARN.
LETS HELP THEM DO THAT!!!**