

31 NORTH GIRLS SOFTBALL 8 AND UNDER

For any rules that are not addressed by the 31 North rule sheet, please see the NSA 8U rules. www.alabamansa.com

1. **No individual park rules will be recognized.**
2. Player pitch will pitch from 30 feet. Coach pitcher will pitch from 35 feet.
3. 11" ball 47 core
4. Base runners cannot leave the base until the ball is hit.
5. No infield fly rule.
6. **OFFENSE: Bat your roster. Inning is complete with 3 outs or a maximum of 7 run.**
7. **NO BUNTING** – During coach pitch.
8. Play is stopped on a batted ball once any player has control of the ball inside the pitchers circle and holds the buss up or calls time or if defensive player is in front of the lead runner and calls time. The base runners get the next base if they are advancing to the next base with liability to be put out. This is not a give me base.
9. **OVERTHROW RULE APPLIES TO FIRST BASE** – batter may advance 1 base only, it is not a give me base. All other base runners may continue on, it also is not a give me base, only the batter is limited to 1 extra base.
10. No rolling the ball. If done each runner gets one base.
11. The batter will get 5 pitches or 3 strikes. A foul ball on the 5th attempt **is not** an out.
12. **NO COACHING FROM THE CIRCLE ONCE THE BALL HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM THE COACH PITCHER'S HAND** – Coach pitcher must attempt to leave the field and pick up the batters bat. Any attempt to interfere with the defensive play will result in the batter being out and no runners advancing. Any batted ball hitting the coach pitcher shall result in a dead ball and no pitch. The pitching circle shall be 8 feet in radius, with the center of the circle 40 feet from the point of home plate. The player-pitcher shall stand with both feet **inside** the 8 ft. radius circle at least 6 feet behind the coach-pitcher on either side of the circle.
13. Game time is 1 hour and 30 minutes or 6 innings. No inning shall start after time expires. The next inning is considered started as soon as the last out is made in an inning. Four innings is a complete game if stopped due to weather.
14. **PITCHING** – 1st and 2nd innings will be player pitched, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th innings will be coached pitched.
15. Four walks in one inning (not four walks per pitcher), the coach finishes the inning. This is not consecutive walks and a hit batter is considered a walk. A pitcher who hits 4 batters with pitched balls in the same game shall be removed from that game as pitcher.
16. Maximum 10 players on defense. Outfielders must remain 10 feet behind the baseline until the ball is hit.