



Fastball St. Albert Player Equipment Policy

Statement of Principle:

While participation in the sport of softball requires the assumption of inherent risks of injury, Fastball St. Albert is committed to providing its players, coaches, spectators, and officials with the safest softball experiences possible.

Application of Policy:

- The Association enforces and supports all player equipment policies and rules established by the leagues in which our teams play.
- The Association's Board of Directors may implement additional policies to mitigate injuries to players, coaches, spectators, and officials.
- For all U10, U12, and U14 age categories, fielder's masks are **REQUIRED** to be worn by all:
 - Infielders during games,
 - Players who are fielding ground balls, in an infield situation, during practice or warm-up,
 - Infielders during practices, while in game situations.
- For all age categories, fielder's masks are recommended to be worn during all game and practice situations when participating in activities involving thrown or batted balls.
- The following outlines required equipment for each player by age category:

Required Equipment

	U6 / U8	U10 / U12 / U14	U16 / U19
Batting helmet, with face mask	FSA	PLAYER	PLAYER
Softball bat	FSA	PLAYER / FSA*	PLAYER
Glove & softball cleats or suitable footwear	PLAYER	PLAYER	PLAYER
Pitcher's / Fielder's Mask	Recommended, but not required	PLAYER	PITCHERS ONLY*
Uniform pants & belt	N/A*	PLAYER	PLAYER
Uniform jersey	FSA	FSA	FSA

Legend:

FSA: Equipment provided by FSA, to be shared by the team.

Player: Personal equipment provided by the player.

Highlighted: New for 2020

*** Notes:**

N/A* : Any suitable pants/shorts are acceptable at U6/U8. Uniform pants are not required.

PITCHERS ONLY* : Pitchers are required to wear a pitcher's mask when pitching. For U16/U19 a fielder's mask is recommended to be worn by all infielders during games and infield practice activities.

PLAYER / FSA* : Bats are recommended to be provided by player, however FSA can make bats available to be shared by the team