

## Softball PEI - U13 A Rules

**Pitching Distance:** 38 Feet

**Ball Size:** 11 inch

**Base Distance:** 55 Feet

**Game Length:** 6 innings or 2 hour time limit, no new inning will start after 1:45 mins

**Open Innings:** Only the 6th inning is open unless the time limit forces the final inning to be open.

**Mercy Rule:** 15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings or 7 runs after 5 innings

### Game Rules:

- Sliding is allowed.
- Bunting is allowed.
- Pitchers can only pitch a maximum of 3 innings per game.
- 5 runs may be scored per inning except in the open inning.
- Infield Fly rule will apply.
- The batter is out on a called or swinging strike 3; even if the catcher drops or misses the ball. Batter cannot run however other baserunners may advance on the play.
- Illegal pitches will not be called against pitchers in the U13A division, umpires may advise coaches that a pitcher is pitching illegally to help the development of the pitcher.
- All league games and Provincial Championship games will have unlimited defensive substitutions and will bat all players on their roster.

### Stealing:

- Base runners may steal on any legally pitched ball when it leaves the pitchers hand.
- A player can only advance one base on a steal attempt.
- Players cannot advance to home on a steal, passed ball, or wild pitch. Runners must be batted in or forced home by a walk.

### Playing Time:

- No player is to sit more than 1 consecutive inning. Coaches will ensure that every player sits out one inning before any player sits out two innings.
- Max 3 innings per position per player
- 1 inning required in infield and outfield per game