**Softball PEI - U13 AA 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.
* Dropped Third Strike Rule - This rule applies when first base is open, or if there are two outs. If the batter strikes out (swinging or looking) and the catcher does not catch the pitch before it hits the ground, the batter can run to first base. If the batter fails to run, she can be called out when she enters the dugout.
* The Infield Fly rule will apply.
* Illegal pitches will be called against pitchers in the U13AA division.
* All league games and Provincial Championship games will have unlimited defensive substitutions and will bat all players on their roster.
* Players in U13 AA are allowed to play one position for up to 3 innings in a game, without requiring them to play both infield and outfield.

**Stealing**:

* Base runners may steal on any legally pitched ball when it leaves the pitcher's hand.
* A player stealing a base can continue around the base path until the play ends. (No limitations)
* Players can advance to home on a steal, passed ball, or wild pitch in U13AA.

**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