

**2021-2022 FRANKLIN GIRLS SOFTBALL LOCAL RULES**

	<b>6U</b>	<b>8U</b>	<b>10U</b>	<b>12U</b>	<b>14U and Up</b>
<b>Ball Size:</b>	9 inch	11 inch	11 inch	12 inch	12 inch
<b>Base Running:</b>	One Base Per Hit	Leading Allowed After Release – No Stealing	Full Stealing Allowed After Release	Full Stealing Allowed After Release	Full Stealing Allowed After Release
<b>Leaving Base Early:</b>	NA	1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – Warning 2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense - Out	1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – Warning 2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense - Out	1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – Warning 2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense - Out	1 <sup>st</sup> Offense – Warning 2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense - Out
<b>Overthrow Rule:</b> <i>Fair Territory</i> <i>Out of Fair Territory</i>	Dead – No Advance Dead – No Advance	One Base Advance Dead-One Base Given	Live Ball Dead-One Base Given	Live Ball Dead-One Base Given	Live Ball Dead-One Base Given
<b>Batting Line-Up:</b>	Entire Roster	Entire Roster	Entire Roster	Entire Roster	Entire Roster
<b>Substitutions:</b>	Unlimited Defensive	Unlimited Defensive	Unlimited Defensive	Unlimited Defensive	Unlimited Defensive
<b>Fielders:</b>	Entire Roster	10 (4 Outfield)	10 (4 Outfield)	9	9
<b>Pitching:</b>	Coach Pitch – 6 balls tossed by offensive coach, if no hit then use tee	Manual Machine Pitch – Offensive coach will use machine unless previously agreed upon by both teams to have some player pitch (max 10 pitches)	100% Player	100% Player	100% Player
<b>Pitching Distance:</b>	NA	30 feet	35 feet	40 feet	43 feet
<b>Drop 3<sup>rd</sup> Strike:</b>	NA	NA	NA	Yes	Yes
<b>Maximum Runs:</b>	NA	5 Runs Including Last Inning	5 runs per inning until end of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> – open after that	5 runs per inning until end of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> – open after that	5 runs per inning until end of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> – open after that
<b>10 Run Rule:</b>	NA	NA	10 Runs - After 4 Innings	10 Runs - After 4 Innings	10 Runs - After 4 Innings
<b>Time Limit:</b>	No new inning after 60 min	No new inning after 90 min	No new inning after 90 min	No new inning after 90 min	No new inning after 90 min
<b>Maximum Innings:</b>	4	5	6	6	7
<b>Regulation Game:</b>	NA	5 (4 if called)	6 (4 if called)	6 (4 if called)	7 (4 if called)
<b>Hit By Pitch:</b> <i>Any Part of Body:</i> <i>On Bounce:</i>	NA	1 Base Awarded Discretion of Umpire	1 Base Awarded Discretion of Umpire	1 Base Awarded Discretion of Umpire	1 Base Awarded Discretion of Umpire
<b>Franklin Girls Softball Additional League Rules</b>					
<b>Safety Rules:</b> <i>Face Mask:</i> <i>Mouthguards:</i> <i>Cleats:</i>	Mandatory for all players Optional Suggested, not mandatory	Mandatory for all players Optional Mandatory, non metal only	Mandatory for all players Optional Mandatory, non metal only	Mandatory for all players Optional Mandatory, non metal only	Mandatory for all players Optional Mandatory, non metal only
<b>Other:</b>	Parent/Guardian must be present for entirety of game/practice	Game may be umpired by volunteer if needed			
All coaches/volunteers in dugout or on field must be approved by board and certified by USA Softball					