

1st - 3rd Grade

Emery County Recreation wants to provide a fun and equal atmosphere for each girl that participates. Plus, coaches that can provide knowledge and helpful skills that will help each girl improve and feel important to her team. Thank you to all the coaches willing to coach, the program could not run without you!

Rules

1. Players can steal second and third base **ONLY-after the ball leaves the pitchers hand**. If the ball is in play, they can advance to home.
2. You can play with all players even if the other team only has 8 or 9 players. However, there can only be 6 players in the infield, all others need to be on the grass. **Tournament- you will only be allowed to play with 10 players on the field.**
3. **Pitching:** First 3 innings will be coach pitch, 4 pitches total to each batter. The last inning the girls will pitch 4 pitches. If the pitcher has thrown 2 strikes, they can finish the count. If only 1 strike/3 balls or 4 balls are thrown, the coach will step in and finish the count (if pitcher throws 4 balls, the coach can throw an additional 4 balls). 3 strikes batter is out, calls determined by umpire.
4. First two innings use “regular softballs”, the last two innings use the Flexi Balls.
5. All games will be **four** innings.
6. No infield fly rule.
7. Each player should play 35 minutes or half of the game.
8. Pitching distance is 35 feet. ASA pitching rules will be used. Both feet must start touching the rubber. They cannot step back and the ball must be delivered underhand. They should not be stepping in front of the 35 feet mark to pitch.
9. Third strike rule will **NOT** be used.
10. A mercy rule will be used after **6 runs** have scored per inning. (No mercy rule during tournament games).
11. Only paid participants can play with team.
12. When the ball is close to any base and the players are trying or able to make a play on the runner, the runner must attempt to avoid the tag by sliding or jumping.
13. Pitchers are required to wear masks, they will be provided.