

Munster Girls Softball

FALL BALL RULES

- I. Munster Girls Softball follows the National Softball Association (NSA) rules with the exception of rules II through XII.
- II. Each game shall have a continuous batting order for all teams.
- III. Junior Miss, Minor and Major Divisions - If there are extra players on the bench, a minimum of one player must be rotated into the field each inning of the game.
- IV. There shall be free substitution of all players at all positions with the exception of pitcher, which shall follow the NSA Rule.
- V. If a team is behind by twelve (12) or more runs after completing three (3) full innings at bat (two and one half [2 ½] for the visiting team) the game is officially over. If a team is behind by ten (10) or more runs after completing four (4) full innings at bat (three and one half [3 ½] for the visiting team) the game is officially over. If a team is behind by eight (8) or more runs after completing five (5) full innings at bat (four and one half [4 ½] for the visiting team) the game is officially over.
- VI. The time limit for all games is one and one half hours (1 ½). No inning may start after the game is one and one half hours (1 ½) old. This rule does not apply to the end of season tournament *championship* game.
- VII. During the end of season tournament no game may end in a tie. The international tie-breaking rule shall be used after the 7th inning if the start of the next inning(s) shall not have reached the one and one half (1 ½) hour time limit, or for any inning (before the 7th inning) starting after the one and one half (1 ½) hour time limit.
- VIII. All offensive players on the field of play (including but not limited to batters, players in the on deck circle, base runners and players acting as base coaches) shall wear batting helmets with face guards on them.
- IX. When pitchers are warming up (on or off the field of play) anyone warming up a pitcher under the age of twenty-one (21) must wear a catcher's mask.
- X. A team may start and play a game with 8 players without penalty.
- XI. A team that is short of players for a game may draft any other player from any other team in that division (not from the team they are playing), or may draft a "call up" player from the next division down (Major league to draft a Minor league player only and Minor league to draft a Jr. Miss league player only) to play for them that game. The drafted player shall only play in the outfield.
- XII. **Field Conditions and pre game preparations shall be conducted under the rules of Munster Girls Softball. (See VIII. GENERAL RULES for MGS)**

FALL BALL PITCHER/CATCHER EVALUATIONS AND DRAFT SCHEDULE

Pitcher/Catcher Evaluations

6:00 Majors - C field

6:00 Junior Miss – D field

6:30 Minors – C field

Drafts

6:30 – Majors

7:15 – Junior Miss

8:00 – Minors

Game schedules to follow soon. Please note that since E field has no lights, Junior Miss games will begin at 8:00 so we can get the last game in before dark. Minors and Majors will begin at 9:00.

Home team is responsible for getting out bases for the first game and putting away after the last game and running the scoreboard. Also be sure to turn off the field lights on C and D field.

There will be no make ups for rained out games. If game is rained out, each team will receive ½ win and ½ loss.