

AABC of GEORGIA

7/8 COACH PITCH RULES

- 1) Fair Ball Arc: There will be a 10 foot arc drawn from first base line to third base in front of home plate. A batted ball must go past this line to be fair.
- 2) Safety Line: All fielders must stay behind the line from first base to the pitchers plate to third base until the ball is hit.
- 3) Pitching Position: The infielder listed as the pitcher shall stay within a 10 foot semi circle extending behind the pitching rubber.
- 4) The pitching coach shall keep one foot on the pitching rubber until the ball has been released.
- 5) Once a pitched ball is hit the pitching coach must exit the field of play in the opposite direction of where the ball was hit.
- 6) When a batted ball hits the pitching coach the ball is dead and no pitch is declared unless in the umpires judgment the pitching coach intentionally touched the ball then the batter is out and all runners must return to their previous base.
- 7) The catcher shall receive the pitch in the catchers box in a normal baseball manner.
- 8) Ten (10) defensive players shall play in the field with four (4) outfielders. All outfielders must stay behind the base lines in the outfield.
- 9) Defensive coaches shall not be allowed on the field of play.
- 10) The infield fly rule will not be in effect.
- 11) No intentional walks.
- 12) Bunting shall not be allowed.
- 13) Continuous batting order. All players on the roster must bat.
- 14) Free substitution on defense.
- 15) The batter shall receive 5 pitches or 3 swings. A foul ball on the fifth swing will be an out.
- 16) Runners shall not lead off or steal bases. A runner is out for leaving the base before the ball is hit or reaches home plate.
- 17) A team may score 7 runs per inning.
- 18) Game length is 1 hour 20 minutes.
- 19) Pitching Distance 40 feet.
- 20) Base Distance 50 feet.
- 21) Mercy rule is 8 runs after 4 innings or 3 ½ innings if the home team is ahead.