

## **Rules for Commack South Girls Softball Rookie Division**

Our number 1 priority should be the girls and their confidence.

Not the score, there are no standings at this level and no play-offs.

Judge yourself by how many girls come back to play the next game and the next season.

### **Specific Game Rules:**

There is No leading, No stealing bases, No triples or Homeruns (unless over the fence). If she gets a good hit send her to second base, but don't send her on errors or overthrows.

The manager or coach pitches to their own team.

### **NEW RULE FOR 2010: Each team will bat the same number of Girls.**

Ex. If team A shows up with 11 girls and team B has 7 girls then team B will Bat 11 girls in any inning were the defense does not record 3 outs. The 3 out rule does not apply to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> inning (See # 3 below) so team B would Bat 11 girls in those innings automatically.

- 1- Every player is in the line – up. No player at this level should be sitting or playing more then anyone else, rotate your infielders. Make sure your 1<sup>st</sup> baseman can catch or can get out of the way.
- 2- An inning ends when the team batting gets 3 outs or the entire team has a chance to bat (The only exception to this rule is the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> inning. See # 3). If the last batter is up and she gets a hit let her run the bases so she score's. The team in the field should wait until the last girl crosses the plate before leaving the field.
- 3- During the 1<sup>st</sup> inning of play everyone reach's base (even if they are out, they are safe. No outs. Remember the girls). Everyone bats and everyone scores. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning if a girl is thrown or tagged out she does not stay on base, but everyone gets a chance to bat. (If a girl needs help batting help her)
- 4- The rest of the game the girls should get about five swings or a put out. Fouls count as a swing, if the last one is a foul give her another one. If a girl is struggling a few more pitches might be in order.
- 5- The team in the field should have 6 infielders (1B, 2B, SS, 3B, Pitcher & Catcher) **All** the other girls should be in the outfield. No one should be playing on 2<sup>nd</sup> Base. This will teach 2<sup>nd</sup> base and Short Stop to cover 2<sup>nd</sup>. (Just a note: The ball will get hit back to the pitcher most of the time let the defense field the ball not the coach)