

2019 Gilman Little League Softball Rules

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- Eligible players must have completed grades 1-4 in the 2018-2019 school year
- 5 Runs per inning maximum
- 11 inch ball used for all players
- Everyone present on the roster MUST be in the batting order
- Everyone on the roster must play a minimum of 2 innings in the field
- A team may play a game with a minimum of 8 players with 9 and 10 spots being an out.
- Coaches choice if there will be 12 players on the field, with the extra 2 in the outfield
- Outfield players must be on the grass
- Batting order will alternate boy/girl/boy/girl
- Each team will have at least 3 girls in the field. If playing with less than 3 girls the spot in the battling order will be an out.
- 2 girls must play in the infield other than catcher
- Automatic Time out when any player in the infield has control of the ball or an attempt to throw to the pitcher.
- Arc Limit: batters height to 10 feet. (Umpires will call flat or illegal and it will count as a ball)
- Catchers must wear a mask
- No infield fly rule
- 4-3 count.
- First team listed on the schedule is the home team
- Games are limited to 1 hour. Games can end in a tie **If you are 5 minutes away from the 60 mins, do not start another inning.
- 7:00 and 8:00 games, No warm ups on the field
- Games will start and end on time
- Rainouts will be made up the following Sunday. (Mondays will be a second option)
- Must use the bats provided by Park and Rec
- Mats will be used behind home plate
- Only players on the bench

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- Base coach can not be any one playing in the little/middle league
- Head coach is the ONLY person who may dispute a call or present an issue with the ump. IF anyone else involves themselves (assistant coaches, parents, guardians, etc) it is an automatic out.
- Swearing from the team/benches/coaches/parents will be an automatic out for the first offense, second offense automatic forfeit. No further discussion
- A coin flip for playoffs-No matter the team placing
- Championship game will play the full 7 innings
- NO batting in the open grass area
- *Playoffs only-No run limit per inning. 7 inning game. 20 runs after 3, 15 after 4, 10 after 5 applies.
- It is the coaches choice to have their players wear extra protective gear
- Coaches must keep an accurate book, the ump will go off the “home” team book
- A player who demonstrates disrespectful behavior or any form of taunting/ bullying to teammates, coaches or ump will be sat for the remainder of the game and the following game that they are in attendance to. This will be decided at the discretion of the ump, coach or a Gilman Park and Rec member
- During a game, any arguing, yelling or inappropriate behavior from a coach, parent(s) or team that does not stop when asked by ump, opposing coach, or Gilman Park and Rec member, the game will be stopped and the team will be asked leave the park for the remainder of the evening for a cooling off period.

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The teams who play the last game on the field for the evening are responsible for cleaning up the fields. We ask that each coach puts all the bats, balls and other equipment away in the white shed in its accurate place. There are labels with the amount of each time to make sure all items are returned so they are available for the season.

All coaches and parents will email gilmanparkandrec@gmail.com for any issues. The constant phone calls and texts to one board member is deemed inappropriate, unnecessary and disrespectful. We are all volunteers and have our daily jobs and do not always allow us to respond immediately.