

Manchester Athletic Association Home Game Rules
INSTRUCTIONAL GIRLS AND BOYS

Ages 6-8

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GAME LENGTH: 90 minutes or a minimum of 3 full innings, 6 inning regular game length. No new inning will start after 75 minutes. Full completion of the last inning should occur, meaning the home team should get its last at-bat.

PITCHES: 7 pitches unless batter strikes 3 times and misses, then the batter is out. If foul ball on last pitch, continue until hit or miss by batter.

PITCHER: COACH or someone appointed by coach.

BALL: Girls: 11" Yellow softball
Boys: Standard Little League baseball

UMPIRE: No umpire is required. Coaches make calls on base, if in doubt, runner is safe.

BASES: Soft bases set @ 50 feet (optional 60 foot regular bases).

BATTERS: Bat entire roster each inning or until fielding team makes 3 outs. This will prepare them for future leagues. No Tee to be used. Runners advance one extra base for balls that reach the outfield grass. All infield hits result in a single. Infield hits result in advancing one base for runners already on base. Play 10 players in the field.

Helmets to be worn by base runners, batter, and player in the on-deck circle. (face mask are optional)

COACHES: Coaches can stand in the field to provide instruction as necessary. Coaches for the team at-bat may provide instruction to the hitter as necessary. All coaches should wear the team color uniform shirt that is provided. This will help identify the coach as a person in charge and represent our association in proper attire.

PLAYERS: All players should play a minimum of 1 inning each game.

STEALING: No stealing. No leading off.

SLIDING: Runners are not required to slide.

RAIN RULES: All rainouts will be rescheduled on Friday evenings or on a week day if field permitted.

For severe weather, 30 second or less "flash-bang" count suspends play, 30 minutes after the last flash of lightning you may resume play. If the game cannot be started or resumed within the 90 minute time limit, reschedule the game.