

**2009 Evanston Softball Rules**  
**Grades 1-2**  
**Revised 2/23/2010**

**1. The Rules**

- 1.1. We do not keep score
- 1.2. There shall be 50 feet between the bases.
- 1.3. The distance from the pitching rubber to home plate shall be 30 feet.
- 1.4. An 11" IncrediBall will be used.
- 1.5. The game will be 6 innings or 1½ hours (90 minutes).
- 1.6. A maximum of two on-field coaches may be used. Their function is to advise, coach or instruct the fielding team upon completion of a specific play.
  - 1.6.1. Coaches in the field will umpire the game play
- 1.7. Everyone plays in the field (no bench)
- 1.8. Infield positions are 1B, 2<sup>nd</sup> Base, Shortstop, 3<sup>rd</sup> Base, Catcher and Pitcher (stands next to the coach who is pitching)
  - 1.8.1. Catcher must be in full gear
  - 1.8.2. Outfield positions must start BEHIND the baselines until the ball hit
- 1.9. For games occurring prior to June 1, each team will bat the entire order for the whole game. Games occurring after June 1, team will bat for three outs, bat order, or 5-run limit which ever comes first.
  - 1.9.1. Balls and Strikes will not be called
  - 1.9.2. Prior to June 1<sup>st</sup> both Coaches may agree to play true innings
  - 1.9.3. If a teams is hitting the entire order in an inning, the last batter is announced a can run all the bases
- 1.10. Each batter may choose to use a tee or live coach pitching. If live coach pitching is used, and to ensure the speed of play, a batter gets 3 pitches. After 3 pitches, the player must use a tee.
- 1.11. No extra base allowed on an overthrow.
- 1.12. On hits to the outfield the ball is dead when the return throw touches the infield or a player in the infield area.