

4U Instructional Coed Rules

OFFENSIVE PLAYING RULES:

1. Base-runners may advance one base on any batted ball in fair territory. Play stops when defensive team records an out or when the batter/runner has reached the intended base.
2. All players will bat each inning. The batting order should remain the same throughout the game. Players arriving late should be added to the bottom of the batting order. Players arriving after a team completes the entire batting order should be added to the end of the batting order and hit when their turn arrives. Players that have to leave the game early may be removed from the batting order without any penalty.
3. If player is found batting out of order, they may finish their at bat and the skipped player will bat next.
4. An inning will end when all players on a team have had a turn at bat. Runners may only advance only one base at a time, regardless of where the ball is hit. Although the defense should make an attempt at an out (and coaches should instruct the players in the proper way to make an out), the runners will not be out and will receive their base. All hitters, except for the last hitter, will get a single no matter where there ball is hit. The last hitter for each team (each inning) will hit a homerun. During the last at bat, the defense shall be instructed to make a play at any base except home. We do not want the catcher to stand at home and tag all four runners while they are trying to score.
5. Each batter will have as many opportunities as needed to hit off the tee.

DEFENSIVE PLAYING RULES:

1. All players should play a defensive position. If playing with more than 9 defensive players, any extra players should be in the outfield. All players should have an opportunity to play both infield and outfield during each game. There does not have to be a catching position.
2. Coaches may be on the field with their players to direct them to make a play. Coaches must make every effort to avoid interfering with game play. Coaches are encouraged to help both batters and base-runners

Keeping Score:

Score is not kept. Win-loss records will not be officially recorded. End of season awards are given to all participants.

Length of the event:

1 hour (30 minutes of practice followed by 30 minutes of game play)