

2026 Fall Ball Special Rules

Pre-Minors – Coach Pitch (6-7-8)

1. All pitches will be delivered from a coach pitcher, from no less than 40 feet.
2. All teams shall list every available player for that game in the batting order. Every player will bat in rotation. Once the first pitch is thrown in the game, any player who shows up late will be placed at the end of the batting order.
3. The nine (9) batter rule will be in effect. When the ninth batter comes to bat, the game situation will be declared as follows: there will be 2 outs, regardless of the actual number of outs. The inning will end when the third out is made or the ninth batter scores.
4. Each batter will receive up to 5 pitches per turn at bat. If 3 strikes occur before 5 pitches, the batter is out. A foul ball will no count as strike 3 or the fifth pitch
5. Every player must play 3 defensive innings (free substitution).
6. If both teams have a minimum of 10 players, both teams will play 4 outfielders. If one or both teams have only 9 players both teams will play 3 outfielders.
7. The only defensive players required to wear a face mask is the catcher and pitcher.
8. The batter is not required to wear a face mask.
9. The pitcher (player) will position himself 3 foot left or right of the official pitcher's rubber (not the 40-foot distance the coach pitcher is allowed to move to).
10. If the batted ball hits the coach pitcher the ball will be declared a dead ball and the batter will be awarded 1st base. Any base runner that is "FORCED" to advance will advance 1 base