### Albertville Parks & Recreation

#### Softball League Rules

• NSA rules will govern play with the following exceptions:

# • <u>8 & Under Coach Pitch:</u>

- Games will be 7 innings or 1 hour in length.
- Teams will use 10 players on defense (4 must be outfielders)
- All players will be in the batting order
- $\circ$  Free substitution
- No bunting
- No stealing
- Maximum of 7 runs may be scored per half inning.
- Run rule: 12 after 3 innings, 10 after 4 & 8 after 5.
- Batted ball hits coach pitcher: Dead ball, no pitch & replay.
- Pitcher may pitch anywhere along center line between top of 20' arc and bottom of 10' pitchers circle

# • <u>10 & Under:</u>

- Modified Pitching Rule: Pitchers are encouraged to use proper pitching technique (Windmill Motion). However, the pitching motion may be modified to resemble the slow pitch motion if necessary. The pitcher must be in contact with the rubber and deliver the pitch with an underhand motion.
- Games will be 7 innings or 1 hour in length.
- Teams will use 9 players on defense (3 must be outfielders)
- All players will be in the batting order
- Free substitution
- Base runners may steal one base at a time, if the ball is overthrown during a steal attempt, the base runner <u>can not</u> advance an additional base.
- No stealing home, even on a passed ball or wild pitch.
- After any pitcher walks 3 batters in any half inning, the game will resort to coach pitch for the remainder of that half inning at no penalty to the player pitcher. The next half inning will resume player pitch rules. (Note: Hit by pitch is considered same as walk or base on balls.)
- Maximum of 7 runs may be scored per half inning.
- Run rule: 12 after 3 innings, 10 after 4 & 8 after 5.
- Third strike is dropped by catcher, batter is out, no put out necessary.

# • <u>12 & Under:</u>

- Games will be 7 innings or 1:15 hour in length.
- Teams will use 9 players on defense (3 must be outfielders)
- All players will be in the batting order
- o Free substitution
- Maximum of 7 runs may be scored per half inning.
- Run rule: 12 after 3 innings, 10 after 4 & 8 after 5.