FALL BALL RULES 2009

September 2009

- 1 A player's age for each Division will be determined by what age she will be playing in the next calendar year; ie: a girl who turns thirteen in 2009, will play 14U fall ball in 2009. This rule may be waived with the approval of the Division coordinator.
- 2. Each team must have a minimum of 8 players to play. They may borrow other eligible fall ball players from teams in their league as long as the team loaning the player will have enough players left to field a team for their own games.
- 3. Games will have a 1 hour 45 minute DROP DEAD time limit.
- 4. The mercy rules will be 15 runs after 3 innings, 12 after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 innings of play.
- 5. A continuous batting line up should be used in all Divisions. Free Substitution.
- 6. 4 outfielders may be used in the 10U and 12U Divisions, for a total of 10 players in the field. All other Divisions will use 9 fielders.
- 7. There will be a 5 run per inning limit in the 10U and 12U Divisions, with the exception of the 7th inning, where there will be no run limit. There will be no run limit in the other Divisions.
- 8. 1 umpire will be used in all fall ball games. The cost for 1 umpire is **\$60.00** and will be paid for by the host league. The host league will also be responsible for providing 1 new, and 1 good used ball for each game.
- 9. There are no standings in fall ball and no trophies will be awarded. The intent of this program is to offer girls a FUN experience that is not as competitive as summer league and instructional. To this end, if a team is found to be too competitive for the level they are playing, that team may be moved to the next higher level. Conversely, if a team is overmatched at their level, they may be moved down a level.
- 10. 10U will play ASA rules (Dropped third strike, stealing home...)

Teams in all Divisions: 10U, 12U, 14U and 17U will play double headers during 4 consecutive Sundays in September and October.

Note: A fifth Sunday <u>may</u> be scheduled if rain cancels games and the host league decides to reschedule the games for teams that are available to play on Sunday October 11, 2009.