

## **RYBSA Futures Division (8u)**

### **Rules/Best practices**

- All games are coach-pitch.
- Coaches may stand in front of the pitcher's mound depending on the hitter/size of the strike zone. Please use a coach to back up the catcher. However, the catcher should be the person throwing the ball back.
- Players get 7 pitches. If on the 7th pitch, they foul it off, they would get another pitch.
- If the batter has not hit the ball after 7 pitches, the player strikes out and an out is recorded.
- On a ball hit to the infield, players may only advance 1 base. Players cannot advance on overthrows.
- On a ball hit to the outfield, players may advance an extra base, at their own risk.
- Players can take a lead on the release of the pitch, but there is no stealing allowed.
- Coaches should have players in set positions. Girls may play the same position for 2 innings in a row, but then should be switched to another position.
  - It is typically too confusing to move the girls every inning, but that is a coaches' decision.
- An inning is over after either 3 outs or 4 runs scored.
- Games are typically 4 innings (or about 1hr 20 minutes). Coaches should agree on the last inning.
- There are no playoffs in this division.