

## ***BABE RUTH SOFTBALL LOCAL LEAGUE OPTIONS***

- **Game Play:** As in accordance with the By-Laws, *All* players are placed in the batting order and batting order is maintained throughout the game. Positional line ups can be changed at the end of any inning with free substitution. Managers should make sure that players do not sit on the bench more than one inning at a time and no more than three innings per game.
- **Pitching Distance:** Exception to Rule 1.07: in the 12U division, a league may elect to pitch from 35 feet. If a league uses this option, it is recommended that the pitching distance be gradually increased through the season as pitchers develop. Pitching distance for 12U tournament competition is 40 feet.
- **12U Base Running:** Runner may leave the base when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand.
- **10 Run Rule:** Any Babe Ruth Softball league game may be terminated once becoming regulation if one team is ahead by 10 or more runs and has had equal time at bat or the home team is leading.
- **7 Run/Inning Rule:** All innings will end on the seventh run in that inning or three outs.
- **Time Limit:** No new inning may start after two hours.

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