



Registration Guidelines for Zionsville Little League Girls Softball

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Parents should carefully review the following league guidelines to determine where they would like their daughter to play softball. League age is determined by the age of the child on December 31, 2011. All league guidelines are determined by age, independent of school grade.

Majors

Majors softball is open to 11 and 12 year olds. This league utilizes a 12" ball and the pitching plate is 40' from home plate. 10 year olds are eligible to play Majors if all three of the following conditions are met: 1) Parents of the player in question request that their daughter be evaluated for Majors before evaluations; 2) the player evaluates high enough to be included in the Majors draft; and 3) there are open slots in the league not taken by 11 and 12 year olds (for example, 6 teams at 11 players each would result in 66 league slots).

Minors

Minors softball is open to 9 and 10 year olds and is the first league that is 100% player-pitch. This league utilizes an 11" ball and the pitching plate is 35' from home plate. 8 year olds are eligible to play Minors if all three of the following conditions are met: 1) Parents of the player in question request that their daughter be evaluated for Minors before evaluations; 2) the player evaluates high enough to be included in the draft; and 3) there are open slots in the league not taken by 9 and 10 year olds (for example, 6 teams at 11 players each would result in 66 league slots). An 8 year old may also be considered for the Minors draft if her abilities create a safety concern for the 6, 7 and 8 year olds in the Rookies league.

Rookies

Rookies softball is open to all 6, 7, and 8 year olds and is an introduction to softball (coach pitch). This league utilizes an 11" softball. There is no draft in the Rookies League; rosters are set based on evaluations with the goal being to create teams of equal talent for a positive and instructional experience.