

Alabama 8U Tournament Rules

- A. Maximum of 10 defensive players. Four out fielders must be 10 feet behind base path.
- B. May bat entire lineup and free substitution
- C. No bunting
- D. No stealing
- E. Catcher must squat behind home plate in full gear. A defensive coach can stand behind the catcher to retrieve balls to help speed up game, but cannot coach from this position
- F. Maximum of 6 runs per inning
- G. 5 pitches or 3 strikes. Player can continue to hit as long as they are fouling the 5th pitch
- H. No infield fly will be in effect
- I. Defensive players must be 30+ feet from batter
- J. Play is stopped when the progress of the lead runner is stopped. Umpire calls time as soon as lead runner is not attempting to advance
- K. Pitcher must have one foot in circle even or behind the pitching coach
- L. Highly recommended pitcher wear face guard
- M. Game length will be 70 min or 7 innings
- N. Base length will be 60 feet
- O. Pitching rubber set at 35 feet. Coach must have one foot on rubber when pitching.
- P. Base runner shall not leave the base until the ball leaves the pitchers hand.
- Q. If a thrown ball hits the pitching coach it is a live ball, unless the Umpire thought it was intentional, if Ump feels it was intentional, it will be a dead ball and the play is repeated.
- R. Defensive coaches may take a position in the outfield in foul territory in accordance with the USSSA Rule book.
- S. 15 runs after 3 complete innings
 12 runs after 4 innings
 10 runs after 5 innings