

AMENDMENT A – COACH PITCH FOR MINORS

- **Player will pitch until 4 balls are thrown to batter. Coach will come out at this point. There are no walks!**
- **When coach comes out to pitch the batter assumes strike count. Batter will either strike out or hit the ball. Coach is allowed NO MORE than 4 pitches.**
 - **Example: Batter's count is 4 balls, 2 strikes. Coach comes out and pitches once for a strike. Batter is out = strike out.**
 - Example: Batters count is 4 balls, 1 strike. Coach comes out and pitches 1 strike. Next pitch thrown = hit. Batter advances.
- Coach MUST pitch from the mound. If not – umpire will call a “strike” on the pitch thrown (standing or kneeling is ok).
- Coach must pitch complete windup (girls = underhand or windmill; boys = overhand wind up).
- No steals from 3rd base to home plate when coach pitches.
- Coach is part of playing field during “coach pitch” part of the game. If a ball hits the coach the ball is still in play. Example: if ball hits umpire then the ball is still in play
- Pitcher (child) will take defensive stance on side of mound – either left or right of the mound – no closer to the plate than the pitchers mound and no further back than the mound.
- **Pitcher (child) must stay on mound until pitch is thrown by coach. Due to batter's distractions, the pitcher (child) may not go from one side of the mound to the other side while pitch is in motion.**
- **7-8 yr olds Pitch is 43' 9-10 yr olds Pitch is 46'**

Note: Girls softball minors will follow the same pitch rules as the boys, leaving their distance from where they pitch from the same as national rules.