*7/8 Fastball – North Schools*

**SOFTBALL CANADA RULES APPLY- WITH THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS**

[Softball Canada](http://www.softball.ca/english/about/regulations/rules.html)

**A. Format:**

* Pitching distance is 40 feet with baselines of 60 feet.
* Games consist of 5 innings or one and half-hour duration.
* There will be a 6 run mercy rule for each half inning.
* Ten run mercy rule after 3 innings
* Helmets with face guard and chin straps worn by batters and base runners.
* Catchers wear full equipment including throat protector.
* Pitchers may drag foot during pitch delivery but not hop.
* Entry fee to be determined
* International Tie Breaker rule will be in effect during games in the playoffs.
* Official ball is the Worth Red Dot Optic Yellow, convenor will supply game balls.