

2024 Rule Change Summary Softball

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Old Formatting	See date change at footer to reflect September 2024
Entire Document	DELETE References to WBSC or NGB standards helmets
3.6.2 Masks: Catchers must wear a mask with throat protector and WBSC or NGB approved helmet. An extended wire protector may be worn in lieu of an attached throat protector.	CHANGE: 3.6.2 Masks: Catchers must wear a mask with throat protector, facemask and helmet. An extended wire protector may be worn in lieu of an attached throat protector.
3.6.5 Body/Chest Protectors: It is recommended that catchers wear a body/chest protector. It is also recommended that male athletes and partners that may play catcher also wear a protective cup, as long as it is place in the undergarments. Any defensive player that desires to wear protective body equipment is permitted to do so, as long as the equipment meets WBSC or NGB standards and is in good working order/condition. 3.6.6 Shin Guards: It is recommended that catchers wear shin guards that will offer protection to the kneecap.	CHANGE/DELETE: 3.6.5 Body/Chest Protectors: It is recommended that catchers wear a body/chest protector. Any defensive player that desires to wear protective body equipment is permitted to do so, as long as the equipment is in good working order/condition.
5.3 The Official Diamon Shall Have Base Lines as Follows:d. Minimum pitching plate at 12.19m (40ft) and maximum pitching plate at 15.24m (50ft).	CHANGE: d. Minimum pitching plate at 12.19m (40ft) and maximum pitching plate at 16.76m (55ft).



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	6.1.5.4.4 A player's final score is determined by adding together the scores achieved in each of the four events which comprise the Individual Skills competition.
	9.1.2.1 Unified the pitching distance shall be set at 50 ft.