

HOW TO SELECT A FASTPITCH OR SLOWPITCH GLOVE FROM SOFTBALL SALES

Fastpitch and Slowpitch Gloves come in various sizes. We at Softball Sales know that it can sometimes be overwhelming when selecting the glove to best fit your game and your hand. To pick the right glove, you will need to consider your primary fielding position and size. Also, consider ball size. Player's ages 11 and under will generally use an 11" ball. All others will use a 12" ball. Slowpitch players generally use a 12" ball.

Take a look below at the differences of all of our gloves and some of the things to consider when making a purchase. **Remember, use as a guide. Player preferences may vary.

Catcher



- Most commonly found in fastpitch gloves.
- Called a catcher's mitt.
- Does not have individual fingerstalls inside the glove.
- Padded to reduce sting from pitches.
- Measured in inches by circumference.
- Commonly sized from 31" to 34".
- Closed or open webs with strapped wrist closures are most common.

Infield



- Five-fingered glove with large pocket.
- Measured in inches.
- Adult Fastpitch commonly sized between 11.5" to 12.5".
- Adult Slowpitch commonly sized between 12" to 13".
- Youth commonly sized between 9" to 11".
- Closed webs with strapped wrist closures are most common, although various webs are used.

First Base



- Most commonly found in fastpitch gloves.
- Resembles a mitten, as there are no visible individual fingerstalls.
- Fingerstalls are hidden.
- Longer glove and 'flat' on one side to help 'scoop' throws from infielders.
- Shallow pocket allows you to quickly retrieve the ball.
- Measured in inches.
- Commonly sized between 12" to 13".
- Open webs with strapped wrist closures are most common.

Outfield



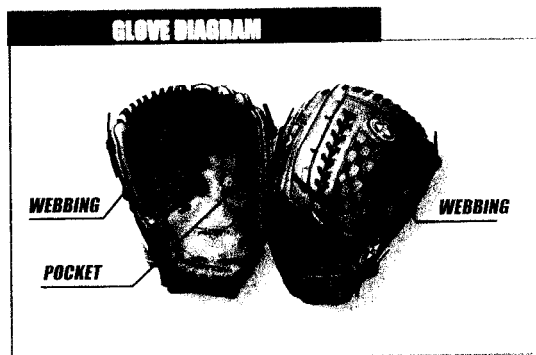
- Larger glove with a large, deep pocket to retrieve balls hit in the air.
- Measured in inches.
- Longer length to reach balls hit into the gap or over your head.
- Adult Fastpitch commonly sized between 12.5" to 13".
- Adult Slowpitch commonly sized between 12.5" to 14".
- Youth commonly sized between 11" to 11.5".
- Closed webs with strapped wrist closures are most common, although various webs are used.

Tips:

- To measure your current fielding glove size, use a cloth tape measure and measure the glove from the tip of the middle finger to the base of the palm.
- Catcher's mitts are measured in inches by circumference.
- Some gloves may have the size printed in various locations of the glove or within the style number.
- For a smaller hand, a smaller glove is easier to close and control when fielding grounders or catching fly balls.

FASTPITCH FIELDING GLOVE SIZING CHART		
Age	Infield	Outfield
Under 8	9"-11"	10.5"-11.5"
9 to 13	10"-11"	11"-11.5"
High school or Adult	11.5"-12.5"	12.5"-13"

SLOWPITCH GLOVE SIZING CHART BY POSITION	
Size	Position
12"-13"	Infield
12.5"-14"	Outfield



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