

2026 USSSA Fastpitch Season Age Chart

| Level | Oldest Age DOB | Youngest Age DOB |
|-------|----------------|------------------|
| 18U | 09/01/2006 | 08/31/2008 |
| 16U | 09/01/2008 | 08/31/2010 |
| 14U | 09/01/2010 | 08/31/2012 |
| 12U | 09/01/2012 | 08/31/2014 |
| 10U | 09/01/2014 | 08/31/2016 |
| 8U | 09/01/2016 | 08/31/2020 |

For the 2026 USSSA fastpitch season, which begins August 12, 2025, a player's age will be determined by her age on **August 31, 2025**. This new cutoff date of September 1, 2025, aligns USSSA with other national programs and places players with September-December birthdays into younger age divisions than before

Key changes for the 2026 season

- **New age cutoff:** The eligibility date is now September 1, 2025, meaning a player's age on August 31, 2025, determines their division.
- **Impact on players:** Players with birthdays between September 1 and December 31 will be in a younger age group for the 2026 season.
- **No exceptions:** There are no exceptions to the age cutoff, even for players who have been held back in school.
- **Playing up is allowed:** Players can always choose to play in an older age division, but they cannot play down.