

## Fit the Glove to Your Hand

Although age is also a factor, the position you play is the most important consideration in choosing a baseball or softball glove.

### Youngsters/Beginners

- Youth models are smaller to help kids maintain control
- Avoid the urge to buy a bigger glove that you'll grow into
- Kids under the age of 8 should stick with a glove from 9 to 11 inches
- Kids from 8 to early teens, consider an 11-inch glove
- Beginners also benefit from the added control that they get from smaller gloves

### High School/ Adult

- Outfielders need 12 to 12 1/2 inch gloves with deeper pockets
- Infielders need smaller gloves (10 1/2 to 11 1/2 inch) with shallower pockets for better control and quicker ball transfer
- Pitchers can go with a slightly larger glove than infielders but still need a small enough glove for fielding and throwing quickly
- Softball players require gloves that are slightly longer in length and deeper in the pocket to help field the bigger ball

Determining Your Glove Size		
Age	Position	Glove size
Under 8	Infield	9 inches
Under 8	Outfield	11 inches
9-13	Infield	9-10 inches
9-13	Outfield	11-12 inches
High School/Adult	Infield	10 1/2-11 1/2 inches
High School/Adult	Outfield	12-12 1/2 inches