

~Standard Park COED Three Pitch Softball~ (65' base version)

Balls: Men- DX12LO (safety ball) Women- 11.44 PL

50' pitching rubber with a 12' diameter circle

Both the offensive and defensive pitchers are positioned inside the circle

The defensive pitcher may not cross outside the circle until the pitched ball has been addressed by offensive player(batter) Early exit will result in a(non scoring) one base advance for any runner(s). **This will remain a judgment call of the umpire and shall not be open for debate by either team.**

Batter will receive a **maximum of three pitches** from his/her teammate. (Offensive pitcher) Failure to put a pitched ball in play will result in an out.

Should a struck ball come in contact with the offensive pitcher, the ball is dead and the batter is out.

There will be a chalked or painted line from home plate at 100 feet in the shallow outfield. All fielders must remain outside the 100' marker until after the ball is batted. No poaching Guys!

There will be no sliding and players are permitted a run through at any base, only when there is a play. Otherwise all bases except home plate should be touched. There will be commitment lines; the game is go, go, go. There will be a run through line at home, **do not touch the HOME plate! There is never sliding in Coed softball. Sliding will result in an out every time!**

After the third out is called in any half inning each team is required to quickly take defensive and offensive positions. Unnecessary delay by either team will result in automatic outs or removal of earned runs. The time limit for team self pitch is the customary slowpitch 65 minutes; however there will be NO limit as to how many innings you may play. **The point of this format is to play a lot of ball, so hustle!** You'll find the hustle is half the fun; great exercise as well.

STANDARD PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

XV. CO-ED SOFTBALL RULES AND REGULATIONS

COED Softball is a non contact version of softball. Other than a swipe tag or minor incidental contact, collisions will likely result in an out or an ejection. If a defensive player has the ball at the bag stop! You are out. If the player does not have the ball and he is blocking the base, avoid the contact and immediately call OBSTRUCTION! There are judgment calls for players too. NO contact is a good safe rule of thumb.

ASA rules will govern league play unless otherwise provided for under local rules listed in

section XI and those listed below:

- 1) A team shall consist of ten players (five men and five women). In the event five men are not available, a team may play with a male to female combination in favor of the female gender (i.e. four men and six women).
- 2) A Co-ed game may start with eight players, but there must always be an equal number of men and women, or more women than men.
- 3) Any rostered player may be a CR as long as a man is a CR for a man and a woman is a CR for a woman. In the event a CR is on base and his/her turn at bat evolves, an out will be declared. However, that CR will be permitted to remain on base.
- 4) A woman or a man may play any position as long as two players of each sex are infielders, two are outfielders, and one is the pitcher and the other is the catcher.
- 5) The batting order must be composed of alternating sexes. Two men may never bat consecutively. In the event that two men do bat consecutively, the second male is out and runners may not advance.
- 6) In Coed softball you may bat *all legally rostered* players as long as the male / female or the female/female status is maintained. **Two males may never bat consecutively.**
- 7) *Runners must do what is necessary to avoid a collision with fielders. Failure to do so will constitute “interference” and will result in an out or ejection. Any other runners will return to the base occupied at the time of the ruling.*
- 8) **Sliding is prohibited.** This includes sliding “back” to a base. Any runner guilty of sliding will be declared out and all runners will return to the last base occupied at the time the violation occurred. In the event the batter has not made an out as a result of his/her ball contact, all play is dead, and the batter is awarded first base (assuming the contacted ball is a fair ball).
- 9) All bases and home plate are a force out. The runner does not have to touch the base (however should when safe) or plate and may run to the outside of the bag or plate. If the runner passes a base or plate before the ball has arrived, the runner will be declared safe. If a runner rounds a base, within the umpires’ judgment, with the intent to advance, but does not cross the commitment line, and returns to the last base occupied, it is a force out.
- 10) **A safety run through line and/or a full batters circle will be provided adjacent home plate. A runner touching home plate will result in an automatic out and NO run shall score.**
- 11) A commitment line has been placed between each of the bases. Once a base runner has passed the commitment line, he/she will not be permitted to return to the last base and a force out situation will occur at the next base. (Exception: to tag up on a fly ball. If a runner passes the commitment line after tagging up they may return to their original base)