



SUMMER ADULT SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL BY-LAWS

(revised January 1, 2015)



1. *There is NO ROSTER LIMIT* for league teams. Teams playing in MASA Tournament Play will need to submit a roster with no more than 20 players. Players may play on more than one team in a division (Men's, Women's, Coed) of play. No player may play on multiple teams within the same league.
2. JUNE 15, 2015, shall be the last date to add or transfer players for MASA Tournament play only.
There is no player add or transfer deadline for league play.
3. It is recommended that pregnant players consult their physician before participating. The Delta Township Parks and Recreation Department recommends that pregnant players do not play in a game for their own safety.
4. Any team forfeiting two weeks worth of games in a row or three weeks worth of games in a sport season may be expelled from league play for the remainder of the season. A team may give this department prior notice of forfeit which may prevent expulsion. Notice must be given by 4:00 p.m. the day of the contest.
5. Line-up cards, for listing a team's official batting order, will be provided by this department and should be used for all league games. First and last names must be used on line-up cards
6. Regular league games that are stopped (due to rain, darkness, etc.) before enough innings have been completed for the game to be considered regulation or regulation tie games (that are not considered complete as per these softball by-laws) shall be rescheduled and played from the beginning. During this department's tournaments and play-offs, all regulation tie games or games that are not considered regulation, shall be resumed at the exact point where they were stopped, as per book rule.
7. There shall be no smoking on the playing field.
8. If there is a tie at the end of the season for first place, a single game playoff will be held to determine the league champion. The single playoff game will be played on the next available league day. If more than two teams are tied, first round opponents will be determined by draw. If there is a tie for second place, head to head competition will determine which team receives the runner-up trophy. If the teams split in head to head competition, the least number of runs allowed in head to head competition will be the determining factor. The least number of runs allowed for the season would be used next or finally a coin flip if necessary.
9. ***MOVE UP RULE*** - Any team which wins the same league two consecutive years will be subject to review by the Parks and Recreation Department and may be moved into a higher caliber league which may play on a different night.
10. A player must be at least 16 years of age to be eligible to participate in the Delta Township Parks and Recreation Summer Adult Slow Pitch Softball Program.
11. UMPIRE PAYMENT SYSTEM

Two Person Umpire System - \$36 - Men and Women - Each team will be required to pay \$18 per game.
One Person Umpire System - \$26 - Coed - Each team will be required to pay \$13 per game.

Men and Women will be scheduled with the two umpire system, but if one umpire system is used the teams will pay the rate of the one umpire system.

ALL PAYMENTS TO UMPIRES ARE TO BE MADE IN CASH ONLY, NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED. PLEASE COME TO THE BALLFIELD PREPARED TO PAY THE APPROPRIATE FEE.

12. TEAM FORFEITS

The team that receives the forfeit is not responsible to pay the umpires any fee. The team that forfeits will be responsible for the payment of the umpires through the use of their forfeit fee included in the team sponsor fee. The forfeit fee for:

- Men (including 35+) doubleheaders - \$90 (\$45 for a single game)
- Women doubleheader games - \$75 (\$40 for a single game)
- Coed single games - \$40
- Coed doubleheaders - \$75 (\$40 for a single game)

Should a team forfeit any time throughout the season that team will be required to resubmit the portion of the forfeit fee that was used by noon the day of your next scheduled contest. Failure to resubmit the forfeit fee will be grounds for an additional forfeit. For example: If a men's team that plays in a Tuesday night doubleheader league forfeits both games they will be required to re-pay the \$90 forfeit fee by noon the following Tuesday. Umpires are to take no money from either team if a forfeit occurs, the department office will pay the umpires through the use of the team forfeit fee.

13. INCLEMENT WEATHER (517) 323-8555

If softball games are canceled due to inclement weather by the Parks and Recreation office through the rainout information phone number there will be no payment made to umpires. If the games are called at the fields, by the umpires before any game starts, the umpires will be paid by the Parks and Recreation Department. Teams are not to pay the umpires under this situation. If the games are started and then canceled due to weather conditions the teams are to pay the umpires the appropriate fee.

If your team has a game canceled at the field due to weather conditions after the game has started and the umpire(s) have been paid, your game will be rescheduled. When the rescheduled game is played teams will not be responsible for payment of the umpires, the Parks and Recreation office will pay the umpires.

14. BAT TESTING (Refer to www.asasoftball.com for the banned bat list.)

a. Testing Information

- All bats must be ASA approved and must have the ASA logo.
- All bats must be tested and have the league hologram sticker affixed to the bat.
- Bats may be spot tested at any time throughout the season by a Parks and Recreation office staff member.

b. Penalty

- Before the game: Any bat deemed illegal, altered or without a hologram, cannot be used and must be removed from the team area.
- Using a bat without the hologram sticker, will result in an out, an ejection and a one game suspension.