

LAWRENCE PARKS AND RECREATION
Adult Sports Division Policies

I. OBJECTIVE:

- A. To provide an opportunity for all adults to play sports in an organized manner.
(1) The leagues are designed with recreation in mind, stressing fair play and sportsmanship by giving adequate time and place to pursue leisurely activities.

II. MANAGEMENT AND AUTHORITY:

- A. The general management of this league shall be vested with the Adult Sports Supervisor and final authority with the Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department.

III. LEAGUE SUPERVISION:

- A. The League Supervisor shall be appointed by the Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department.

IV. RULES OF PLAY:

- A. Games will be played according to the rules and regulations of each individual program. Rules and regulations can be found at the following link: [LPRD Adult Sports Rules](#).

V. TEAM ROSTER GUIDELINES AND ELIGIBILITY:

- A. All participants in LPRD Adult Sports programs must be of at least 16 years of age on or before the date of their team's first scheduled game.
- B. All managers must have a roster submitted to the adult sports office or online at the following link: [LPRD Adult Roster](#) prior to their first scheduled game of the calendar year.
- (1) Any team that does not have a roster submitted during any part of the season will be subject to possible forfeits.
- (2) Managers are responsible for keeping their roster up to date throughout the calendar year as their team participates in multiple programs.
- C. Managers must provide all team members' "first" and "last" names on the roster form.
- D. Teams shall consist of an unlimited number of players and players may be added to the team at any time throughout the season (including post season) as long as player has not competed in that division with another team.
- E. All players added to the roster during the season must be put on the roster before participating in a game or match by filing out a roster addition form. Players may only play on ONE team per division.
- (1) Players and teams found in violation of this rule are subject to probation and/or suspension as case may warrant.
- (2) A player may be released and switch teams ONE TIME during the season upon approval from the LPRD Adult Sports Office.
- F. If any players on roster are under the age of 18 they must fill out a separate roster form and have a parent/guardian and team manager sign the form.
- (3) Penalty for not complying with this will include probation and/or suspension for the player(s) and team.

VI. POSTPONEMENTS, FORFEITS, AND RESCHEDULING:

A. Rainout Information:

- (1) Rainout Line is the weather related cancellation notification system for the Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department. This service is easy to use and allows you to receive cancellation information instantly through your choice of communication tools. Current cancellations can be found by visiting our website <http://lawrenceks.org/lprd/adultsports> and clicking on the Rainout Line logo or by calling (785)-371-4980 and following prompts. In addition, it is highly recommended to sign up for Rainout Line notifications by visiting [Rainout Line Instructions](#) to receive email or text alerts on current cancellations.
- (2) Field condition information is not available until after 4:30 P.M. during the week and 11:00 A.M. on weekends. Officials have been instructed to make field condition decisions if inclement weather occurs after 4:30 P.M. Officials will then contact the Sports Office to notify as soon as possible and our office will make information available on the Rainout line.

- B. The reschedule information is made available after 1:00pm the next day following any cancellation and on Monday for weekend games. Reschedule information will be included on your online schedule. The Sports Office will make every attempt to keep rescheduled games on the same nights of the week that the various leagues and divisions normally play. However, the number of teams involved and the space available dictates to us our ability to do so. Therefore, rescheduled games may fall on any night of the week. Rescheduled games will be not rearranged or rescheduled to meet an individual's particular need. Teams that cannot make scheduled game time will be required to forfeit the game(s).
- C. Forfeited games that are rained out will NOT be rescheduled.
- D. Information regarding the Lawrence Parks and Recreation excessive heat policy can be found by referencing Preventing Heat Illness in Sport.

VII. PLACEMENT OF TEAMS:

- A. League scheduling will be done by the Adult Sports Supervisor.
- B. Teams in any division finishing in first place may be required to move up to the next division if there is a higher division offered on that night. Other teams may be moved up as well when grouping to form the correct competitive divisions.
- C. Teams which finish the season with at least a .500 record may not be allowed to drop down a division which the team participated in during the previous session. Please place your team in the division that your team will be the most competitive.
- D. EXCEPTION: Divisions may be combined on any given night if there are not enough teams to form a division. (Minimum number of teams to form a division is four (4)).

VIII. PROTESTS

- A. The only legal protest is one which involves an interpretation of playing rules or use of an ineligible player.
- B. A protest based on a play, which involves an official's judgement, is not legal and officials are instructed not to accept protests of this nature, nor shall the Adults Sports Supervisor.
- C. The protesting manager shall immediately notify the official. This shall be done before any succeeding play begins. The officials shall announce that the game is being played under protest, but failure of the official to make this announcement shall not affect validity of the protest. (Exception: the team manager must notify the official before completion of game when protesting player eligibility).
- D. A protest form, available at the Sports Office (115 West 11th Street). This shall be completed and returned within forty-eight (48) hours. Accompanied with the protest must be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) which acts as a security fee. If the protest is upheld the security fee is returned. If the protest is disallowed, security fee is forfeited to the league funds.
- E. If a team is using an ineligible player the team will automatically forfeit the game in which the ineligible player participated.

IX. LEAUGE AWARDS:

- A. Team t-shirts or credit towards a future adult sports registration will be awarded to the tournament champion in each division. Tournament seeds will be determined by win / loss records. If two or more teams have the same record at the end of the season, the tie will be broken in the following manner:
 - (1) Winning Percentage
 - (2) Head to Head
 - (3) Head to Head Differential
 - (4) Total runs/points for
 - (5) Total runs/points given up
 - (6) Total Runs Differential
 - (7) Lowest Number of Forfeits
 - (8) Coin Toss