GATESVILLE COED SOFTBALL RULES 2024

- 1. Men will hit with the 52 Core tattoo ball bought from the concession stand.
- 2. Women will hit with Core .47/375lb balls bought from the concession stand.
- 3. Each team can hit two homeruns. The 1 up rule will be in effect after each team hits two homeruns.
- 4. Five male and five female players must be in the lineup at all times (six and six if A.H. is used). Any five male and any five female players must play defense. Exception: A minimum of 8 players can start a game. However, there must always be four female players in the lineup. An out shall be declared for the 9th and 10th position in the lineup when that position is scheduled to bat. A 9th player may be added in the 9th position of the lineup at any time before the end of the game. That added player must be female. A 10th player may be added in the 10th position of the lineup at any time before the end of the game. That added player must be a male.
- 5. Teams can play with six women and four men, but cannot play with six men and 4 women.
- 6. Teams can play with eight players, but the missing last two players nine and ten will be outs.
- 7. Teams may play with nine players as long as they have five women so there will not be two men batting in succession.
- 8. Teams starting with 12 players may drop down to 11 or 10 players but cannot have more males than females in the line-up. For example, if a female player is removed from the line-up, the male player following her in the line-up must be removed. All vacant spots in the line-up will be declared an out every time that position in the line-up is due to bat. If a team starts with 9 or 10 players, they are not allowed to add the 11th or 12th player at a later time. Any player that leaves the game for any reason may not return to the game. (This does not apply to normal re-entry and substitution) Exception: A player who has left the game under the blood rule may return. Note: The defensive team may walk the preceding batter or multiple batters to get to the position or positions in the lineup that is an out due to having started with 9 players or having dropped to 11 or 10 players.
- 9. When a male batter receives a base on balls or intentional walk, he will be awarded first and second base with the next female batter having the option to walk or bat.

 10.All bats must have an ASA/USSSA certification mark and must be on the list of approved certification marks. ASA bats can bear either the new 2013 stamp or the previous 2000 or 2004 certification marks. USSSA bats are only legal if they bear the official 2013 fingerprint stamp; no other USSSA bats will be allowed. If the bat has both an ASA and a USSSA certification stamp, it must bear the legal stamp for both ASA and USSSA.

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