



## Lacey Parks and Recreation Department Co-ed Softball League Rules

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*Leagues will follow the official rules of USSSA, with the following modifications:*

### **Rosters:**

- ALL players must sign the official City of Lacey Roster PRIOR to playing. Players may only appear on one Co-ed and/or one Men's League Roster. Max of 20 players per roster.
- It's an Adult league. Under 18 parent permission form must be filled out
- A team can start with a minimum of nine players, and must take an OUT for the 10<sup>th</sup> spot in the lineup. A tenth player can be added at anytime during the game.
- All Roster additions/changes must be made prior to final week of regular season play.
- **ANY ROSTER CHALLENGES MUST BE MADE BY THE COMPLETION OF THE INNING OF CHALLENGED PLAYER FIRST AT BAT. (IF CHALLENGED PLAYER IS NOT ON THE ROSTER BOTH TEAMS MAY CHOOSE TO FINISH THE GAME BUT THAT TEAM WILL AUTOMATICALLY FORFEIT GAME. THIS INCLUDES PLAYOFF BRACKETS).**

### **General League Rules:**

- **No new inning will start after 1 hour.** Time limit 1hr 15min. Games CAN end in a tie.
- The 10 run rule is in effect – Any team ahead by 10 or more runs after 5 complete innings is the winner. Any team ahead by 15 runs after 4 innings will be declared the winner.
- All bats follow the standard USSSA rules for eligibility (BPF, dents, altered, etc.)
- **Game time is START TIME**
- Courtesy Runners-Unlimited. Courtesy runner must be last player of same gender called “out” in batting order.
- Each team must appoint a team representative (manager) with whom all dealings will be conducted.
- Jerseys – Each team should have similar colored jerseys/shirts, preferably with numbers.
- **Game Balls** – The Umpires will provide two balls of each size (typically one new, and one used) per game. Teams must go and get their homeruns.
- Unlimited Line-up. Bat the entire team. (Optional). Must be Man/Woman/Man/Woman. TEAMS MAY BAT 2 OR MORE WOMEN IN A ROW, HOWEVER THEY MAY NOT BAT 2 MEN IN A ROW
- **EVERY** team will be allowed **2** over the fence **Home Runs** per game.  
All over the fence Home Runs in excess of two will be Dead Ball Outs.
- **Pick-up players – ETIQUETTE!** Teams may **ONLY** pick up players to avoid a forfeit **AND** must get permission from opposing team captain to do so (we're assuming most teams don't want to win by forfeit, but it is their prerogative). If regulars show at any point during the game, they **MUST** replace pick-up(s) in the field and pick-ups can only proceed as EH's or substitute out completely.
- **NO** metal cleats allowed.

### **Miscellaneous:**

- Any player, manager, or fan is subject to league suspension, at the discretion of the League Supervisor, for the following infractions: Including but not limited to, 1. Verbal abuse of any league official, employee, or player and 2. Threatening a league official, employee, or player.
- Lacey Parks and Recreation reserves the right to add or alter league rules (Run Spots, League switching, Player eligibility, HR rule, etc.) at any point of the season.
- Extreme profanity may result in the player(s) being ejected from game or league. *Please be respectful of the several families/children that will be present each evening.*
- The League Director(s) shall review any situation not covered by the rules and render a decision. All decisions are final.
- It is illegal to possess or consume alcohol at The Regional Athletic Complex. Any team or player(s) caught with alcohol on the premises may be subject to suspension or expulsion from the League.