

## *2010 Coed Softball Rules*

### **Run Ahead Rule**

- Slow Pitch - **Ten (10) runs after five (5) innings.**
- Slow Pitch - **Fifteen (15) after three (3) innings.**

### **Time Limits**

- Slow Pitch - The Game: Seven (7) innings or fifty-five (55) minutes.

### **Tie Breakers**

- If, after the completion of seven (7) innings of play, or time, and the score is tied, the tie-breaker rule will be played to determine a winning team.

### **Team**

- Each team shall use ten (10) players on defense, but may use 8. However, if a team has fewer than 8 the game will be a forfeit. Teams only playing with 8 must take automatic outs for the 2 missing players when it would be their turn to bat.

**Please note that if a team borrows a player from another team it shall be a forfeit, but a practice game may take place.**

### **\*\*Note\*\***

- No team can take the field with less than 8 players during a tournament. If a team has less than 8 during tournament play, they will lose by forfeit, no practice game will be allowed.

### ***Batting Order/Lineup***

- All players present must bat using a continuous batting order. Players shall be listed by their name in the order in which they will bat and must follow a boy /girl or girl/boy rotation or take an out if the rotation is broken.

### **Walks in Co-Ed Leagues**

- With less than two outs, a walk to a male batter results in an automatic two-base award for the batter and all runners on base. However, runners on base may NOT advance past third base unless forced to do so (ex: if the bases are loaded and a walk is issued to a male batter, then the runners at 2nd & 3rd base are awarded home base. The runner at 1st base will advance to 3rd and the batter advances to 2nd base.
- With two outs, the female batter has the option to walk or bat.

### **Defensive Positions**

- Six (6) infielders and four (4) outfielders. There must be 2 males & 2 females in the infield/outfield and a male/female - pitcher/catcher combination. If playing with less than 10 players you must have an equal amount of boy/girl in the infield or outfield.

### **NOTES**

- A caught foul fly ball will be an out whenever it occurs
- No Bunting allowed.
- Base Stealing: Not allowed including home
- No Courtesy Foul, if a foul ball is hit on the third strike, the batter is out
- Each batter comes to the plate with the One (1) ball and one (1) strike count.

- All softballs being used must be 44 core, 12 inch for men and 11 inch for women, max comp. of 375.
- All softball bats can be used, no baseball bats allowed.

### **Coed Outfield Line Rule**

- A line or flags will be marked in the outfield 220 feet from home plate. All Outfielders must remain behind this line until the ball is hit. Violation of this rule will result in the offended team given the option of: the batter being awarded 1st base, or the result of the play. If the first option is exercised, runners may advance only if forced to do so.

### **Home Run Rule**

#### **\*\*\*\*\*One-Up Limit...**

- The batter is ruled out for any in excess.
- On a fair batted ball hit over the fence for a home run or four base award, the batter and all runners are credited with a run. The batter and runners are not required to run the bases.

### AGE LIMIT

- PLAYERS MUST BE 16 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER DUE TO THE SAFETY OF ALL PLAYERS
- If an opposing team is questioning the age of a player from the opposing team they must ask the umpire to confirm. If the player is under age, the player must be removed from the lineup. If no other player is available the team must take an out and play short in the field as well.

#### **\*\*\*\*Note\*\*\*\***

- If you know your team cannot play on the scheduled date/time, you must contact Ryan Beach @ 269-5032 by 8:30 pm on Wednesday of the upcoming games so that a makeup game can be scheduled for July 25<sup>th</sup> on the Makeup Game Weekend.
- However, if you do not allow a notice before Wednesday your team will lose due to a forfeit and no makeup game will be scheduled for the makeup date of July 25.
- No exceptions.