

Cabrillo Recreation Center Softball - Mens Wood Bat 3 Pitch League Rules

General Rules

Current A.S.A. Rule Book except as specified herein:

All league games will be 9 innings or 60 minutes, whichever comes first. No new inning shall begin after 60 minutes has expired. Game time is forfeit time. However, opposing manager may allow a ten (10) minute grace period. The ten (10) minutes will be deducted from game time. There will be a 15 run Mercy Rule after 5 innings or 40 minutes. Grace Period is ten minutes and the lost time will be deducted from game time.

Forfeiting team is responsible for umpire fees for BOTH teams. There are no exceptions, and you will not be allowed to continue play until umpire fees are paid.

Teams must have a minimum of 8 players to begin and end a game.

Pitching

Batters receive up to 3 pitches (pitch to your own team) to put the ball in play. Designated Pitcher is allowed, meaning pitcher does not have to bat unless he changes positions during the game. At which point he would have to replace another player in the lineup.

Batting & Baserunning

Base runners may lead off when pitch is released. Force out at bag.

Courtesy runners are allowed because of injury only, one per team, per inning.

Home Runs: Each team is allowed 4 HRs, then each HR following is a ground rule single.

Throwing the bat is not allowed. This is an automatic ejection and cannot be appealed.

Equipment

Only wood ASA approved softball bats are allowed. Composite wood bats are NOT allowed.

No metal spikes are allowed. Multi-purpose shoes or tennis shoes only. No football or soccer cleats. No work boots, sandals, or bare feet.

Administrative Rules

Each team should keep its own scorebook in the event of a discrepancy. The umpire is the official scorekeeper, however should there be a score dispute, teams must have a scorebook to prove any errors. No scorebook, and the umpire is 100% correct.

Teams that forfeit twice in one season -- for any reason -- are ineligible for post-season or playoffs.

Players must appear in at least 4 league games to be eligible for league playoffs.

Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages at Cabrillo Recreation Center is expressly forbidden. Any player observed drinking alcoholic beverages during a game will be warned; any additional warnings will result in suspension for the remainder of the season.

ROSTERS MUST BE TURNED IN BY THE START OF THE FIRST GAME! Your team will not be allowed to begin the season w/o a roster! Teams may carry 20 players on the roster. Rosters may be changed until the end of the 6th GAME only. You must use the official add form on the website, to add players after your roster is turned in! All players must be 18 years of age and out of high school and covered with medical insurance, personal, ASA or other.

Protests may be made on only 2 items: Rules interpretations OR Ineligible players. Protests on rules interpretations must be registered with the umpire before the next pitch. Protests on ineligible players must be filed with the umpire before the end of the game. All protests must be filed in writing with a \$20.00 protest fee by 5pm the next working day. Protest fees are only returned on successful protests.

Any player ejected from a game -- for any reason -- will be suspended from 2 league games. 2 ejections in one season means expulsion from the league. Suspensions carry over from season to season.

Playoffs:

Top 5 qualify for double elimination playoffs

Playoff tie breakers will be:

- 1) Head to Head
- 2) Head to Head runs
- 3) total runs in the season
- 4) coin toss.

Awards (league fee credit given for the following season):

1st Place Season - \$75

Playoff Champion \$100