

Danville Parks & Recreation Adult Coed Softball 2017 League Rules & Policies

Registration: The Danville Parks & Recreation Adult Coed Softball league will consist of 6-8 teams. Captains must bring a copy of the team roster/waiver to the first game. Payment must be received with the registration form prior to your first game.

Rosters: Managers must have all team members sign the team roster/waiver prior to playing game one. Rosters must be complete including players name, phone number, address, date of birth and signature. A maximum of 16 players are permitted per roster. Players may be added to the roster anytime prior to tournament play. Players who have signed a roster with any team in the league may sub for another team until tournament time. During tournament time, the only eligible players for a team are those that have signed their respective roster.

Captains must:

Turn in all team information – registration form, team roster/waiver, etc.

Read all league rules prior to starting league play and inform all team members of the rules.

Meet with umpires prior to the start of each game.

Obtain league information in regards to registration deadlines, game cancellations, make-up games, tournament game times, etc.

Rules & Regulations:

All games will follow ASA guidelines unless amended below:

I. General Information

- A. All players must be ages 18 & over.
- B. Each player on your team must fill out a line on your roster form. If you add a new player during the season, they must be added to your roster prior to playing.
- C. Team must consist of at least 8 players (4 men, 4 women) to start and continue an official game.
 - i. Teams may play with 6 women and 4 men without penalty. If a team has 5 men and only 4 women, the extra women spot will be considered an automatic out every at bat. (Only exception is if there are two outs and the man preceding the open spot walks.)
- D. Maximum number of players on defense is 10 and offense is 12.
 - i. Offense must bat alternating man, women, man, women, etc.
 - ii. Defense – only one man and one woman will be permitted in the pitcher/catcher combo.
- E. All batters will start with a one ball/one strike count.
- F. If a batter hits a foul ball with two strikes, the batter is out.
- G. A woman may choose to walk if there are two outs and the man before her has been walked. A man will always advance two bases on a walk.
- H. Each player may only hit one home run. If a player hits a second, third etc. they will be called out and no runners will advance.
- I. No metal spikes are permitted – failure to abide by this rule will result in automatic ejection.
- J. Every game will start with a new ball and a used ball. All foul balls must be

- retrieved and returned to the umpire.
 - K. No warm up time will be permitted on the field. (Exception: the first baseman may use a ball to warm up the infield as the pitcher warms up in the first inning only.)
 - L. Obscene language will not be tolerated.
 - M. Any person that willfully destroys park property will be required to pay for damages and may be suspended indefinitely.
 - N. Smoking is not permitted on the field.
 - O. Ellis Park does not permit alcohol use in the park.
 - P. Jewelry may not be worn during the game, final decision on appropriate jewelry lies with the umpire. (Exception: Medical alert bracelets and wedding bands.)
 - Q. Run Rule – 15 runs after completion of 4 innings (4 ½ if home team is ahead), 10 runs after completion of 5 innings (5 ½ if home team is ahead)
 - R. Player ejections – An umpire/league director has the right to eject a player from a game. Ejections will be reported to the Parks Dept. and this player will automatically serve a one game suspension the following game. Further ejections may remove the player from all future league play.
 - S. Maximum of 12 players may be in the lineup to bat. Additional players may sub in the exact batting order of the player leaving the game.
 - T. Players may call the park office at 745-3015 after 4:00pm to determine if a game is cancelled for that night due to inclement weather.
- II. **Official Games**
- A. Regulation game is 7 innings or 60 minutes, whichever comes first.
 - B. When time expires, the inning will be completed, unless home team is leading and at bat.
- III. **Makeup Games**
- A. Every attempt will be made to reschedule rainouts.
 - B. Managers are responsible for contacting the parks office for rescheduled game times.
 - C. A game will be considered official and not made up if 4 innings have been complete (3½ if home team is ahead) and rain causes the game to be ended.
- IV. **Forfeits (Grace Periods)**
- A. If a team must forfeit, the park office must be notified 24 hours prior to game time.
 - B. Failure to contact the office may result in future game penalties.
 - C. Teams must have a minimum of 8 players to begin a game (4 men, 4 women). Teams will be given a 10-minute grace period, which will be deducted from game time, if 8 players have not arrived. A game will not be held up if there are 8 players present and they request to wait for a full team - No exceptions. When additional players arrive, they may check in with the umpire.
- V. **League Standings & Tournament Play**
- A. Results and league standings will be posted weekly on www.danvilleindiana.org/parks
 - B. Teams will compete in a season ending tournament to determine a champion.
 - i. All players must play in one regular season game to be eligible for tournament play.
 - B. Teams will be seeded in the tournament based on regular season records.