

2024 HRC SPRING 7-3 COED SOFTBALL LEAGUE RULES

1. Games will be held at the Bickle-Schmidt Sports Complex. Northeast Quad!
2. **No metal cleats allowed.**
3. **No Sunflower seeds allowed.**
4. **No pets allowed inside the dugouts or on the playing fields.**
5. **No smoking allowed inside the dugout or on the playing fields.**
6. **NO OUTSIDE COOLERS, FOOD, or DRINK ALLOWED INSIDE COMPLEX. We do have concessions available.**
7. The game will consist of 7 innings or 57-minute time limit. (Spring League Only)
8. Forfeit time is 5 minutes after the scheduled game time. (Example: 6:30pm start time the forfeit time would be 6:35pm. If double header than an additional 20 minutes will be given before forfeit of the 2nd game.)
9. Teams can start the game and finish game with 8 players. Fall below 8 than it's a forfeit. Must have 3 females.
10. Run Rule: 20 after 3, 15 after 4, 10 after 5, 8 after 6.
11. **Teams must provide own softballs and bats. (USSSA stamped bats and no altered bats, Classic M and W softballs)** The HRC does have softballs available for purchase.
12. Teams can have 2 assigned hitters. 1 female and 1 male.
13. Teams must play 7/3 (7 males/3 females) or can play 6/4 (6 males/4 females)
14. Teams can use 1 courtesy runner an inning. (female for female or male for male)
Also can have courtesy runner for pitcher. (optional)

15. The batting order: Teams can only bat 3 males in a row, once through-out the lineup.
(Examples: MMFMMFMMFM; MFMMFMMMFM; MMMFMMFMMF)
16. If a male batter gets walked, than the female batter behind him can take a walk.
17. Homeruns: Males get 3 a game, then an out. Females unlimited.
18. Start with a 1 & 1 count. Hitters get courtesy foul.
19. Competitive teams spot Rec teams 3 runs a game. A team from the Rec division can be moved up to competitive.
20. Complete Game: 4 innings will constitute as a complete game. 3 ½ if home team is winning. (Bad weather)
21. Unsportsmanlike Conduct: If a manager/player/or fan is ejected from a game they need to leave the complex immediately. The person ejected from game will be suspended for the remainder of that night and the next 4 scheduled games. If the person ejected from game refuses to leave complex, than their team will forfeit game and they will be suspended from league until they meet with HRC sports director and superintendant.
Please be respectful to umpires, field supervisors, and opposing teams.
22. Home teams must keep score. If you are unable to keep score than you can choose to be away team.
23. Make-up games will be scheduled quickly and played on Tuesday or Wednesday nights.
24. Time period between double headers game will be 3 minutes. Time period between early and late games will be 6 minutes.
25. 10 run limit in innings 1 thru 4; Unlimited runs in innings 5 thru 7.
26. Players are only allowed to play for 1 team. Teams must submit a roster.

27. **New Substitution Rule:** If a team needs a sub from another team; They can pick up 1 male and/or 1 female substitution without penalty. If a team needs a 2nd male sub (max) they must get permission from other team manager, league supervisor, and umpire before the start of the game and will have to spot 3 runs.
28. If not noted: will follow USSSA rules or HRC guidelines.
29. Will follow HRC Lightning/Bad Weather policy.

