



PMSA LEAGUE EQUIPMENT AND GAME FORMAT FOR SLOWPITCH SOFTBALL



EQUIPMENT:



BALLS: Teams are responsible for providing one new game ball when listed as the home team and one good used ball when listed as the visiting team (coed teams must provide a new 12" and new 11" ball). The ball used is a .44 cor, 375 compression red-stitch softball. When purchasing the required optic yellow ball it must have the ASA approved stamp on it. The Men's league uses a 12" ball, Coed uses both the 12" and 11" ball, and the women's league uses the 11" ball.

BATS: We do not allow any titanium bats. When purchasing a bat please make sure it has the ASA approved stamp on it. We would recommend checking the ASA Banned bat list each season as there are bats added to this list each year and throughout the season. Go to: www.asasoftball.org

UNIFORMS: Uniforms are not required for any division of play. However, if you choose to purchase matching shirts we recommend using a 6" number on the back of the shirt.

CLEATS: No metal cleats allowed for league play. If playing in a tournament check with the tournament director.

SCORE BOOK: A team score book is included in the coaches packet that is picked up at the Manager's meeting (Tuesday, April 6th at the Sheraton at the Airport; 8235 NE Airport Way)

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TIME LIMIT: First Games will begin at 6:15pm and/or 6:30pm weekdays and 3:00pm on Sundays and will have a 1 hour time limit. Games will be scheduled every 1 hour and 5 minutes. Note: The masters division will start at 6:00pm.

FORFEITS: The first slot only will have a 10 minute grace period in which the delayed game time will be counted towards time off the clock. On all game times, a team should be at their field location 15 minutes prior to game time. Game time is forfeit time.

PLAYERS ON THE FIELD: To field a team requires 10 players on the field. Men and Women's leagues may start and end the game with 9 players without a penalty. For Coed teams you must have 5 men and 5 women on the field. The pitcher and catcher must be of opposite sex. If a coed team starts a game short handed of either 4 men/5 women or 4 women/5 men, an out for the 10th player will be taken. If a 10th player should enter the game they must be entered at the 10th batting position. Batting order for coed must alternate male/female.

A Complete list of divisional rules will be included with league schedules which are mailed out April 19th and posted online at www.portlandsoftball.com