## Co-Ed Softball Rules

## ASA Softball Rules will apply, with the exception of the following:

1. This is an adult players league. Minimum age for players is 19 years old or out of high-school
2. Any walk to a male batter will result in a two base award. The next batter (a female) will bat. EXCEPTION: With two outs, the female batter has the option to walk or bat.
3. Batting, there will be an automatic out between two men batting in a row.
4. Home Run (Over the fence) each team gets three over the fence home runs per/game. Any home run hit after the third home run will count as an out.
5. Time Limit will be 55 minutes, or 6 innings. Will not start a new inning with less than 8 minutes on the clock.
6. Mercy Run Rule: 15 after 3, 10 after 5
7. Steel cleats are not allowed
8. Starting Count on the batters will be 1-1. Batters will begin their turn at bat with 1 strike and 1 ball automatically. The purpose of this is to speed up play and allow for more innings to be played within the time limit.
9. A foul ball hit as a third strike will be called "no strike" as a courtesy. A fourth is an out.
10. Umpire will be provided for each game. The home team will keep the official scorebook. The visiting team will also need to keep a scoreboard. The first team listed in the pairing is the home team.
11. We will use a coed line in the outfield. This means that the outfielder cannot make a play on the ball on the home plate side of the line until the ball is hit.
12. There is to be no arguing with the official over calls. There is no exception to this rule. Any player, coach or observer whose temper gets out of control over a judgment call, or who by vulgarity, intimidation or yelling confronts an official, will be warned once. If the infraction is repeated, the offending person can be dismissed from the game, asked to leave the park, and/or not be allowed to continue playing the remainder of the season, depending on the severity of the infraction.
13. . Players are not allowed to sub on different teams during the tournament. All players must play in at least one regular season game and be on the roster to be eligible to play in the tournament.
14. Each team may use extra hitters. However, there must be both a male and a female extra hitter, and they follow the regular batting order. They must be on the game roster, listed as either regular players or substitutes.
15. Teams field and bat ten players. Defense needs to have the following: 3 of each gender at infield positions. 2 of each gender at outfield positions.
16. If you can only field 9 (and bat 9) Defense needs to have the following: 3 of each gender at infield positions. At least 1 of each gender at outfield positions.
17. The $2 \mathrm{ft} . \mathrm{x} 3 \mathrm{ft}$. mat is placed behind home plate to determine the strike zone. The strike zone only includes the mat and not home plate. b. If a pitch lands on the mat and on the plate at the same time, or hits the plate prior to hitting the mat, it will be called a dead ball. The plate supersedes the mat. c. The mat is NOT an extension of home plate. BASE RUNNERS MUST TOUCH HOME PLATE TO SCORE. Similarly, a fielder must touch home plate when there is a force out at home in order for the out to count. A team can appeal a runner touching the mat. d. In order to fairly judge whether the ball is going to strike mat, catchers need to let the ball land. If a catcher touches the ball prior to it landing, the pitch will be deemed a ball.
18. Pitching distance is set at 50 ft . Base distance will be set at 70 ft .
