

BREWTOWN RECREATION:

COED SOFTBALL RULES



GENERAL RULES

- A Coed Team consists of 10 players (6 men, 4 women)
 - To avoid a forfeit, a team will be allowed to play with a minimum of 8 players (minimum of 2 women)
 - INFIELD - Minimum of ONE female (between 1st, 2nd, SS and 3rd)
 - OUTFIELD – Minimum ONE female (between L, LC, RC and R)
 - Men are NOT allowed to substitute for absent female players
 - A team can play more women than men, if so desired
- ASA Rules will govern play unless otherwise stated in the Brewtown Rec rules
- Pitch heights are 6' minimum and 12' maximum from ground level
- The pitcher's mound is 50 ft from home plate.
 - If there are two mounds, pitchers should confirm with the umpire which one should be used.
- The length of games is 7 innings (*and/or 50 minutes*)
 - No new inning will begin more than 45 minutes after the start of the game unless score is tied
 - If there is a need to have 5 games at a field one week, the length of game is 7 innings (*and/or 45 minutes*)

ROSTER RULES

- The roster limit is 16 players
- All players MUST be listed on your online roster
- **In order to be eligible for league tournaments, all players must play at least 1 game in the regular season**

EQUIPMENT

- Teams must provide their own personal equipment (i.e. bats, gloves, etc.)
- Brewtown Rec will provide softballs (Female 11" and Male 12")
- Metal Cleats are permitted (*but if a player intentionally tries to hurt an opponent, a season ban will occur*)
- ASA SOFTBALL BATS MUST BE USED. The penalty for using an illegal bat is as follows:
 - 1st Violation – immediate ejection of player using the bat
 - 2nd Violation – immediate ejection of player using the bat and the captain
 - 3rd Violation – immediate forfeiture of the game. The forfeit fee will also be assessed.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES

- Base stealing/Leading off is not allowed
- Sliding is allowed and recommended in force-play situations (including home plate)
- With runners advancing, any out-of-play ball warrants an extra base to the runner. Overthrow guidelines will be determined by the specific park

ADDING PLAYERS

- Teams must have starting players present and in the dugout at the start of the game
- The batting order must be maintained at all times
- If a player shows up late, player must be inserted in the 10th spot in the line-up. No exceptions.
- If a player is ejected from the game and the absence leaves the team with 7 players or less, an out will be assessed each time that player's name comes up in the order.
- Courtesy runners are permitted but only once per inning (and must be the last out, gender specific)

AT-BAT RULES

- A “Strike Zone” mat will be used, any pitch contacting the mat will be a called strike. The following will be considered an out:
 - 2 Strikes
 - 1 Strike and 1 Foul Ball
 - 2 Foul Balls
- If a male batter is walked, the following female batter will have her option to WALK or SWING AWAY

BATTING ORDER RULES

- The batting order must be maintained at all times
- No more than 2 males can bat in a row. **Failure to maintain this order will result in an automatic OUT**
- Each team is allowed to have up to two extra batters in the lineup. These “D.H.s” must also follow the alternating-gender rule. Use of the extra players must be declared before the game begins

HOME RUN RULES (per gender)

- Hart Park, Juneau, Burbank, HAAA and Village Park – No Limit
- Wick Field – 2 HR limit (*over the fence HR's only*). After 2 HR's are hit, all additional HR's will be an out.
- Dyer Field – 2 HR limit (*over the fence HR's only*). After 2 HR's are hit, all additional HR's will be an out.
- Any team that hits more than 2 HR's over the fence, must supply a 52/300 ball.

MONEY BALL RULE

- Teams will be allowed to use a MoneyBall once per game; however, ***the batter must be female***
- The MoneyBall is a Pink 11” softball
- Runs scored with the MoneyBall are worth 2x. For instance, a grand slam would be worth 8 runs! If the batter is walked during the MoneyBall at-bat, the batter will be awarded 2nd base and all base runners will also advance two bases

RUN RULES

- 15 runs after 5 innings will be in effect for all games (including playoffs)

GAME CANCELLATIONS

- If weather is bad PRIOR to game times, we will post a cancellation notice on Facebook & Twitter no later than 5:15pm.
- In the event a game is called on account of inclement weather after it begins, the following procedures will be followed:
 - If the score is not tied and the game has completed 4-1/2 innings, the game will be a complete game provided the home team is ahead.
 - If less than 4-1/2 innings have been complete, the game is not a complete game and will be made up. The batter will start with the count he had when the game was called. The game will continue with the time left when the game was called.

FORFEIT RULE

- If your team has to forfeit, please respect the league and notify us **24 hrs prior to your game time**
- Last minute forfeits will be charged a ***\$60 fine***. This fine must be paid PRIOR to playing next scheduled game.

LEAGUE REMINDERS

- Alcoholic Beverages are permitted (21+ over), but teams MUST clean up after themselves. Please be respectful of our league and the park and remove all trash after your game. Teams who break the rules will be fined.
- Please be respectful of the umpire. Being an umpire is an extremely hard job. He/She has final say on all rules/regulations concerning the game. Those who aren't respectful may face in game ejection or league suspension.