

2018 High School Fastpitch Rules

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The City of Victoria Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to change and implement new rules at any time. Victoria Parks and Recreation is committed to providing the best program possible to ensure the best environment for the players, coaches and their respective families. In case of inclement weather, it will be the manager's responsibility to verify game status. Game status can be verified after 3pm on game day by phone/email and cancellations will be posted on The Victoria Parks and Recreation Facebook page. Managers will also receive an email through Quickscores for any game changes. ASA rules will be followed, any exceptions are listed in the Local Rules below.

LOCAL PLAYING RULES

- 1.) Scheduled game time is FORFEIT time (NO EXCEPTIONS).
- 2.) All games will be 75 minutes finish the inning or 7 innings. A new inning will not begin after 70 minutes.
- 3.) Game clock will begin immediately following the end of the manager's meeting.
- 4.) Lineup cards must be turned into the umpire at the beginning of the game.
- 5.) Teams are not required to submit a roster. Players may participate on multiple teams.
- 6.) Teams may bat the bench. Lineups do not "collapse."
- 7.) All teams must have shirts of similar color with non-duplicating numbers from 0-999 on the back that are a minimum of 6 inches and clearly visible. All numbers must be permanently affixed to the shirts (i.e., no tape).
- 8.) Each team must furnish their own ASA approved softballs for games.
- 9.) Any protests made on a player's uniform must be made prior to the conclusion of the player in question's first at bat or first inning of play.
- 10.) Federation and ASA pitching styles are both allowed, but whichever style a pitcher chooses must remain in effect the entire time that pitcher is in the game.
- 11.) ZERO TOLERANCE on profanity.
- 12.) A team that forfeits 2 or more games in a single season will be deemed ineligible for the end of season tournament. *The team that forfeits will be responsible for paying both umpires for the game they would have played. The forfeited team will not be allowed to play any other game until these umpires have been paid. A team that forfeits 3 games will be dropped from the league without refund. Forfeited games will be recorded as 7-0 in Quickscores.
- 13.) In the event of a tie when time expires, the International Tie Breaker will be used. Batters will begin the next full inning with a 3-2 count, 1 out, and the player that recorded the last out of the previous inning will start on second base. Only one extra inning will be played in regular season games and games may end in a tie. During tournament play, additional ITB innings will be played as needed to determine a winner.

RUN RULE

<u>15</u> runs	<u>3</u> innings
<u>12</u> runs	<u>4</u> innings
<u>8</u> runs	<u>5</u> innings

