

2022 WASATCH COUNTY WOMEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE

New Rules:

-**Only USSSA approved bats may be used.** All bats must have NEW USSSA stamp! If you are using a non-approved bat, the bat will be pulled from the game and 1 out will be given. A second offense using a non approved bat will mean forfeiture of that game.

-Batters **DO NOT** get an extra foul after the first strike like in the past. Now after the first strike no matter how it happens (swing & miss, foul ball, or called strike) the next one has to be a fair ball.



A “tournament roster” with the max of 18 people must be signed and turned in to league manager by the end of WEEK 2. Only the 18 players on the “tournament roster” will be allowed to play in the league tournament **NO EXCEPTION'S.**

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:

Players must be 15 years of age or older. All participants under 18 years of age must have a parent or guardian sign the registration form.

Players added after league play begins must have the League Director's approval, and must sign the roster/liability release prior to playing. Participating without having signed the roster/liability form automatically waives any claim of liability against Wasatch County, Wasatch County Parks and Recreation and all others associated with carrying out the Women's Softball Program.

A player is ineligible to participate if she is under the influence of alcohol or other drugs at the time of the game. The decision is up to the Umpire's discretion.

LEAGUE REGULATIONS:

Prior to each game a line-up card must be given to the opposing team, whether they ask for one or not. No line-up cards need to be turned in to the scorekeepers' booth or to the League Director.

If a game has not been completed after seven innings, the 55 minute time limit, 12 run lead after 5 innings, the Umpire will call the game at the end of the present inning. This will be a completed inning, and will be considered a completed game for league standings. If games need to end due to weather or other circumstances, games with three completed innings will be considered a full game for league standings.

A Ten minute grace period will be given from the scheduled start time before a forfeit will be called or immediately after the proceeding game is over, whichever is later.

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Each team should have 10 players to begin the game. If a team needs to begin play with 8 or 9 players NO OUTS will be taken. You must have 8 players to take the field. (This differs from USSSA rules, which requires 9). The ninth & tenth player may take the field at any time during the game. If you anticipate having less than 8 players, please call Kylee 671-6188 to let her know that you will be forfeiting the game.

Each team may bat 14 players. This allows for free substitutions, and means that the batting order should not change as defense position changes are made. A player that arrives late may be added at the end of the batting order. Substitutions made beyond the 14 original players are subject to USSSA rules.

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Courtesy runners are allowed, 1 per inning, anytime, any base. If runner is on base when batting position is up, that batting position is OUT!

It is highly recommended that pregnant women do not play, however, if you choose to play, you must play in the outfield.

All players must wear some type of athletic shoes, and must wear a **numbered shirt**. No metal cleats are allowed.

NO CHILDREN ARE ALLOWED IN THE DUGOUTS. No one other than players, and coach/managers will be allowed in the dugouts.

Bats must be in designated areas at all times.

It is the teams' responsibility to keep the dugouts clean, so that when the game is completed the next team can use the dugout.

Tobacco & Alcohol is not permitted on the playing field. Alcohol is not permitted at the park. Violators will be expelled from the premises.

Any player displaying unreasonable conduct on the field will be automatically expelled from the game in progress and must leave the park for the remainder of the evening. Unreasonable conduct will be determined by the Umpire and/or the League Director. Any player that is expelled from two games will be disqualified from the remainder of the season. Any unsportsmanlike conduct displayed before, during, or after a game will constitute grounds for disciplinary action against a team or player. This rule extends to the coach/manager as well.

Play at your own risk, medical insurance is NOT provided by the county.

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