

Sunflower State Games

Slow-pitch Softball

Men's Rec, Women's Rec, and Co-Ed Rec Rules

Please note that these rules and policies are final and are not open to negotiation.
NO EXCEPTIONS!

ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO: Any player(s) seen with alcoholic beverages on Shawnee County properties are subject to the charges and penalties outlined in County Resolutions. Teams may be suspended in violation. Any alcoholic beverages in dugouts before or during the game will make that game subject to forfeit. Repeat offenders will be immediately suspended from ALL play at ANY complex. No smoking in the dugouts or on the playing field. Coolers, cups or other containers are subject to search by any SCPR staff, Park Police or officials. Personal music or devices should not be heard or placed outside the dugout.

GAME SPECIFICS

1. A complete game is 7 innings or a time limit of 55 minutes. 15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 5 innings.
2. Batter's count will begin with 1 ball and 1 strike; all leagues are granted a courtesy foul ball.
3. Home team will keep the official book.
4. Batter's Box: To help preserve batters boxes at all facilities, umpires have been instructed to warn to all teams on the first action; should a player continue to dig out batter's box following warning, player may be ejected.
5. 2 HR limit for men, all additional over the fence HR will be an out. Women's HR do not count towards total.
6. BATS: Men will not be allowed to bat with any bat that states Miken Ultra, Miken Ultra II or other bats marked specifically for Senior Play in any men's or corec league. The penalty results in the batter being called out and base runners return to the last base occupied.
7. FIELD SETUP: pitcher's plate – 50'; pitching height – 6' min/10' max; bases – 70'
8. OFFICIAL BALL: Each team shall provide at least one if not more game ball(s) with the compression (lbs) and .COR marked on the ball to the umpires at the pregame meeting at home plate. Teams will hit their own softball unless play merits otherwise. i.e. Foul ball, balls are deemed unplayable by umpire.
 - a. MEN'S: 12" softball must be 300 lbs. and COR .52
 - b. WOMEN'S: 11" softball must be 300 lbs. and COR .52

COREC PLAY GAME SPECIFIC

1. **175' COREC LINE:** All outfield players must remain behind the 175' line marked from home plate until ball is put in play by either a female or male batter. Penalty for moving in front of 175' line prior to ball being hit is as follows: Play stands – manager's choice. Replay with same batter – manager's choice.
2. **COREC DEFENSIVE PLAYERS POSITION:** Teams do not have to have a certain ratio or order such as male-to- female positions. Examples: you may play a female catcher and pitcher, three male outfielders or five female infielders.
3. Infield players must have both feet on the infield surface until ball is hit.
4. **COREC HOME RUN RULE:** 2 HR limit for men, all additional over the fence HR will be an out. Women's HR do not count towards total.
5. **EXTRA HITTER:** An extra hitter (referred to as an EH) is optional. If used the EH must be used for the entire game and so listed in the regular batting order. The EH must remain in the same batting position for the entire game. Defensively the manager has the option to substitute any players, not to disrupt player's ratios. When using the EH, if a player becomes injured or must leave the game for any reason, and there is not a legal substitute available to play, an automatic out will occur in the vacated batting position. MEN, WOMEN and COREC teams may have one or two however, a lineup shall consist of 12 players max(including the EH).
6. IF an EH is substituted for by a pinch runner or pinch hitter that player becomes the EH. The substitute must be a player who has not yet been in the game. If removed, the original EH may re-enter the game in their original starting lineup batting position. The reentry rule applies only to the starting 12 players while they are legally in the game.
7. **PLAYER RATIO:**
 - a. Teams should play five (5) men and five (5) women.
 - b. Teams may begin or continue a game with eight (8) players or nine (9) players of which four must be females. Automatic outs are enforced. Teams that have ten (10) players five must have females.
 - c. Teams not fielding a full ten (10) players will have two (2) automatic outs with eight (8) players and one automatic out with nine (9) players.
 - d. Batting order must rotate by gender when the numbers permit.
 - e. **WALKS:** With two (2) outs and a male batter draws a walk, the following female batter will have the option to either take an automatic walk or take her turn at bat. The male batter goes to second base regardless of decision.