



Smithfield **RECREATION**  
Fall 2-Pitch Softball League  
**Rules & Regulations**

**All leagues will abide by ASA rules & regulations with the following exceptions:**

In accordance with the State of Utah's Covid-19 phased guidelines, the following precautions will take place this season. We ask that all participants abide by these guidelines.

- Players must screen themselves for COVID-19 symptoms before participating in practice or games. Those who are symptomatic cannot participate.
- Participants should sanitize their hands often during participation.
- Spectators and players should maintain 6' distance from other family groups and wear face coverings when physical distancing guidelines are difficult to maintain.
- If a participant has been in close contact (within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more) with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19, they will be excluded from participation for at least 14 days from their last exposure.
- All captains will take role at each practice and game to assist with contact tracing. In addition, they will inform the league director if he/she becomes aware of any positive Covid-19 cases involving their team.
- Softballs and other high-touch surfaces will be sanitized between games.

**General Rules**

- Games are scheduled for 45 minutes. No new inning will begin after **40** minutes.
- Only ASA approved bats are allowed.
- When a team comes to bat, a member of their own team will be the pitcher.
- If the pitcher is struck by a hit ball or interferes with the defense making a play the batter is declared out.
- Each batter is allowed only 2 pitches. If a batter misses or fouls off the 2<sup>nd</sup> pitch he/she is declared out.
- In the Men's Leagues each team is allowed 3 homeruns per game. In the Co-Rec Leagues each team is allowed 2 homeruns per game. Any additional homeruns over the maximum allowed per team per game will be declared outs. Following a homerun the batter only needs to touch one base. This will speed up play.
- The 20 run rule is in effect after 3 innings (If a team is ahead by 20 runs or more after 3 innings the game is declared over).
- The 15 run rule is in effect after 4 innings (If a team is ahead by 15 runs or more after 4 innings the game is declared over).
- The 10 run rule is in effect after 5 innings (If a team is ahead by 10 runs or more after 5 innings the game is declared over).
- Players can only play on one team that participates in the same league, and must play a minimum of two regular season games to be eligible for tournament play.
- 10 defensive players are allowed on the field at one time.
- No metal cleats allowed.
- In the Co-Rec Leagues the following exceptions will apply:

Batters will alternate male/female every other batter

(2) females and (2) males play in the outfield

(2) females and (2) males play in the infield

The pitcher and catcher positions will be fielded by (1) female and (1) male

**Good luck and have a great season!**