



**2020 Port Orange Co-ed Softball League  
A.S.A. Rules with the following exceptions**  
(updated as of 9/15/20)



1. The Port Orange Parks and Recreation Department and specifically the league director has complete control of all activities at the field and they have the authority to ask anyone to leave the area for loud, obnoxious or disorderly behavior, or for drinking alcohol. This will include all players, coaches and spectators. Failure to comply could result in forfeiture of your game and suspension. **Warning: there is no alcohol beverages or obvious use of tobacco products during games allowed on city property.**
2. The fee is \$50 per player fee. The league director will e-mail the schedule to the captains.
3. All non-position players must stay in the dugout during the game- with the exception of the batter, on deck batter, 1<sup>st</sup> base coach and 3<sup>rd</sup> base coach .
4. Each team is responsible for cleaning up their dugout during and after games.
5. There will be no use of profane language during games. First incident will be a warning from either the umpire/league director or staff. Second incident will be an ejection from the game.
6. All players must be 18 years old prior to playing in their first game. All team rosters will be at the field. Coaches may add players on their roster until completion of the regular season. After that date, you must get approval from the league director to add a player. The league director has the right to deny any/all roster changes. Players may switch teams only 1 time and must be before the closing date, a player can only be on one team roster.
7. All batters will start with a 1 and 1 count. A second foul ball with 2 strikes the batter will be called out.
8. **Each team must field 5 women and 5 men. A team may start with 8 players and end with 8, however it must be an equal guy to girl ratio unless the opposing team agrees to play even if the ratio is not equal. Must be a minimum of 4 guys and 4 girls.**
9. A woman must either be the pitcher or catcher- 2 must play in the infield and 2 in the outfield
10. When women are at-bat, infielders must stay even with first and third bases and outfielders must stay behind the co-ed line before the ball is hit.
11. Any player/coach/manager ejected from the game will leave the park immediately and automatically be suspended from the next game. Second infraction during the season will result in an expulsion from the league for the remainder of the season. Flagrant, willful misconduct, or fighting will be cause for immediate removal from the league without a refund.
12. All leagues will have open substitution. Batting order must go guy girl guy girl.

13. Each team will be allowed 5 home runs per game; any additional home runs will be a double. You do not need to touch first base (hit and sit).
14. The pitching screen must be placed 3 feet in front and within the width of the pitching rubber. After the pitch, the pitcher can use his or her discretion to return behind the screen or to field the ball. The first batted ball in an at-bat that hits the screen will be a dead ball. The second time will result in an out. A thrown ball which hits the screen will remain a live ball.
15. Pitches that hit the pitching mat will be a strike. Pitches that hit home plate will also be a strike.
16. All players must wear matching jerseys with an un-duplicated number by the second week of games unless otherwise approved by the league director. Players with non-matching jerseys can only play if the opposing manager agrees on it.
17. Forfeit rule: 1st game only- if one or both teams do not have enough players to start, we will start the clock. If after 10 minutes either team does not have enough players that team will forfeit. Teams must have 8 players to start or finish a game.
18. The length of the game will be 1 hour and 15 minutes or 7 innings whichever comes first. All ties will be played out with one extra inning. There will be no infield practice before any games. Three warm-up pitches will be allowed between innings. All games that are not completed will resume where we left off, including game time & score. A new inning will not start with less than 10 minutes left in the game time limit.
19. In extra innings or after the completion of the time limit and the score is tied, starting at the top of each inning and each half inning thereafter the offensive team shall begin its turn at bat with the player who made the last out being placed on second base.
20. All rain-outs will be rescheduled by the Port Orange Recreation Department. Saturday/Sunday games may be necessary late in the season. Rain-outs will be communicated through the RECALERT system. Please sign up for the RECALERT by texting RECALERT to 55678. If a game has been called due to inclement weather after 40 minutes of play or 4 innings the game is considered complete. Games suspended before the 40-minute mark will be resumed where the game left off.
21. **There will be no protesting- this is a recreational league**
22. Awards: Team sponsor trophies awarded only for the 1st and 2nd place teams during league play. Tie-breaker for seeding for playoffs goes head to head, runs for head to head, runs against head to head, and then coin flip. Tournament Champ shirts will be giving to the team that wins the playoff tournament.

23. All players must warm-up in the designated area only. No hitting balls into the fence.
24. Forfeited games can be played as a scrimmage but does NOT count toward standings. There will be no official during scrimmage games. Forfeited games count as a 1-0 score.
25. Each team will be allowed one and only one courtesy runner each inning, that player will be the person who made the last out of the same gender.
26. Double first base: batter/runner may use either base. The defensive team in order to record an out must use the white base.
27. If a male player is walked, they automatically go to second base, the female batter can choose to walk to first base or hit.
28. No metal cleats allowed.
29. No stealing allowed.
30. The pitching arc will be 4 to 10 feet. Please check the ASA rules on legal bats.
31. Run rule: 20 run lead after 3 complete innings, 15 run lead after 4 complete innings, 10 run lead after 5 complete innings.
32. If a team forfeits 3 games in a row they will be removed from the program with no refunds.
33. Altered bats: any player caught using an altered bat will be removed from the league and risks further suspension from Port Orange Recreational Programs.
34. No animals are allowed on the playing fields or in dugouts.
35. No use of electronics during play, this includes cell phones and earphone without or without music.
36. Teams will use a 44cor 375 compression softball, 12 inch for men- women can elect to use an 11 inch.

The standings will be posted on the city of Port Orange website <https://www.port-orange.org/534/Adult-Sports>

If you have any questions regarding League Play contact:

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