



Fairfax Athletics Co-Ed Adult Softball Rules of Play Cheat Sheet

Game Time:

- Single 75 minute game (or 7 innings of play whichever comes first)
- 10 minute grace period is allowable for the 1st game of the night; comes off game time.
- 1 pitch softball will be used if game is tied and within time limit at the end of 7 innings.
- Ties ballgames after game time has elapsed will be recorded as ties (excluding playoffs)

Team Lineup:

- 10 players in the field (4 female minimum). No more than 6 males in field at any time.
- 8 players are acceptable for play (5 men, 3 women) with a one (1) out assessment that should be placed in the batting lineup prior to the captain's roster exchange.
- 16 player maximum batting lineup (alternate males & females until no longer possible)
- Everyone in the dugout can bat, regardless if they play in the field (up to the 16 max)
- Team Captain's are responsible for roster exchange prior to the start of the game.
- Legal team has the option to loan a player(s) to the opposing team to avoid a forfeit.
- Injured players: when a player is injured during game play you may replace them in the lineup (male for male, female for female) if you have extra players not already in the batting lineup, if this is not possible the team is assessed an out at the injured player's spot in the lineup. Opposing team may also loan a player if they so choose.

Game Play:

- ASA Pitching Requirements. (excludes the ASA Catching Rule)
- Batter begins each turn at bat with a 1-1 count (1 ball & 1 strike)
- A courtesy foul ball is given during the player's at bat.
- Base on balls or walks equal advancement to 1st base (same for males & females)
- No base stealing shall take place at any time
- A courtesy runner may be used each ½ inning (males for males, females for females)
- No home run limit
- Balls that are caught in nets or advance through fence are scored a ground rule double.
- 20 run slaughter rule after 5 innings

Game Equipment:

- Bats only on the approved ASA bat list are acceptable.
- Balls are to be 12 inch, 44 max COR, 375.0 lbs max compression softballs.
- Each team must provide and hit its own approved softballs for play.
- No official team uniforms are required, but they are highly recommended
- No metal cleats are acceptable at any time.

Forfeits & Rain Delays:

- Forfeit if a team does not have the min. 8 players to start and/or finish a game.
- A rain delay of up to 15 minutes comes off game time.
- Fairfax County Park Authority Field Status Line (703.324.5264)
- If the games are not canceled by the FCPA prior to game time and rain ensues the umpire at the field or the designated FXA League Commissioner can call the game.

The following are the basic FXA Co-Ed Adult Softball Rules & Regulations. Outside of the rules stated above FXA follows the rules of the Amateur Softball Association (ASA).

A copy of the ASA Rule Book is available at www.softball.org