

## **2023 POINTS OF EMPHASIS**

PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION AND SHARE IT WITH YOUR TEAM.

**NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE PERMITTED IN THE PARK**

**ALCOHOL IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE DUGOUT AREAS**

**PENALTY: PLAYER WILL BE EJECTED AND INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED**

**TEAM WILL FORFEIT GAME**

**ANY FURTHER VIOLATION OF THIS RULE WILL RESULT IN DISMISSAL  
FROM THE LEAGUE**

All players must sign official roster before first game. Any player(s) added to roster once season has begun must also sign the roster sheet prior to participating in their first game. Failure to do so may result in forfeiting the game(s).

Run Rule is as follows:

20 after 3 innings

15 after 4 innings

10 after 5 innings

Player enters batter box with 1-1 count. After 2 strikes, batter is declared out when a foul ball is hit. If a foul ball caught in playable territory, the ball remains live.

The player who made the last out may be used as a courtesy runner for any runner on base. Limit one (1) courtesy runner per inning.

For a game to be an official contest, it must go five (5) full innings if visiting team is leading or 4 ½ innings if home team is leading.

Rainout Number is 440-882-5471

The Home Run rule for Men is 4. Coed is 3. Any ball hit over the fence in excess of league rule, will be ruled an out.

In the event teams are tied for the division title after regular season, teams will declared co-champs and teams that are tied will receive trophies.

Once the game begins, the umpire is in complete charge of the game.

- Please check your schedules for proper number of home/away games. Schedules are available on the softball website at [www.parmasoftball-baseball.com](http://www.parmasoftball-baseball.com)
- It is the manager's responsibility to keep us informed of any changes that relate to contacting your team. ( i.e. changes in your email contact, phone number, or contact person) Send these changes via email to [parmasoftball@yahoo.com](mailto:parmasoftball@yahoo.com).
- Make sure you check the website, [www.ParmaSoftball-baseball.com](http://www.ParmaSoftball-baseball.com) **homepage** often to receive any updated information. Last minute changes and forfeits are posted as we receive them.
- It is the manager's responsibility to be informed of any and all rescheduled games...check the website and memo board at Day Park
- Make sure you carry your roster with you in case any player eligibility issues arise

- Team rosters must be filed in the Recreation Office prior to the first game. A blank roster sheet is available on the softball website. Completed rosters are to be turned in or can be dropped off at the Parma Recreation Office front entrance drop box. They will be validated and returned to you. All non-resident fees (\$20) must be included or that player(s) will be removed from the roster. A late fee may be deducted from your forfeit fee refund if a valid roster is not on file.
- Practice permits are available starting Monday morning for that week and can be obtained by calling the Parma Recreation Office at 440-885-8148
- Do not sign up any player who is on the Parma Recreation Department suspension list.
- For home run limits, all mens leagues will be classified as D1 and allowed 4 home runs per game. Coed leagues will be allowed 3 home runs.
- If you cannot field a team for a given game, you can give us advance notice (7 days) and we will contact the opposing team and game officials. You will not be charged any forfeit fees but will be credited with a loss. Once we receive your request for cancellation it cannot be revoked; if the scheduled game was rained out you will still be credited with a loss.
- Any bats must meet the standards of the ASA. Bat requirements can be found at <https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Softball/Play-ASA/Certified-ASA-Equipment.aspx> or by going to the Adult Softball page on the Parma Softball website and clicking on the ASA logo. Bats must meet the 1.20 bat performance factor (bpf) rating.
- The schedules found on the Adult Softball page of the website are updated daily. Standings are updated each day.
- No ejection penalty can be amended by game officials (umpires or scorers)

- Games called prior to an official conclusion will require a refund of one half of the game fees. Please check with the scorekeeper at that time to receive your refund.
- Call the rain out answering service (440-882-5471) after 4:00 pm for diamond conditions for the evening games. In case rain occurs after 4:00 pm, the message will be updated by the umpire-in-chief. *Listen to the complete message which may also include conditions for certain youth leagues.*
- Please report any problems/concerns you may have in a timely manner, so we may promptly address them. Do not wait until the season is over.
- Any suggestions you may have with regards to the leagues are always welcome. Further additions to our offerings (such as a one-pitch league) are under discussion and we welcome your feedback. Please respond to any emails that may ask for your opinions.
- The best way to contact the softball staff is by using the following email account [parmasoftballbaseball@gmail.com](mailto:parmasoftballbaseball@gmail.com) It will be checked daily and you should receive a timely response.

**THE FOLLOWING CHANGES WILL BE IN EFFECT WITH REGARDS TO THE NORMAL PARMA SOFTBALL RULES. A COPY OF THE PARMA ADULT RULE BOOK IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE.**

- The uniform rule will not apply (except for the player number requirement) but it is recommended that shirts of the same color be worn.
- Since the season will extend beyond the normal ending date, the July 1 deadline for adding players will be waived. All other rules involving adding/releasing players will be in effect.

- Game fees should be exchanged with the scorer in an envelope and with the exact change. Men's fees: \$25.00 and \$8.00. Single game men's fees \$18.75 and \$8.00. Coed fees \$16.00 and \$8.00