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Each collegiate division player must present a valid University ID before each contest to be eligible to participate. No Exceptions. Open division players must present a valid government-issued ID prior to each contest.

All participants are responsible for their own medical expenses. Any participant unsure of their physical condition should check with their family physician or the Student Infirmary before participating.

Game time is forfeit time.

Officials who are in absolute control of the game will do the officiating. Teams are responsible for keeping their spectators under control. Misconduct of spectators, players or coaches can result in assessment of a penalty, ejection or forfeiture of the game. Spectators must also remain in the area designated by the officials. The official shall have the power to make decisions on any matters or questions not specifically covered in the rules.

This is a rule Addendum to the Amateur Softball Association (ASA). All rule changes are highlighted. The Amateur Softball Association (ASA) will govern play for any rules not mentioned in the following intramural rules.

Team Roster

- A roster may hold 12 to 15 players.
- 9 players can be on the field, in addition to the pitcher from the other team, with at least 3 being women. (That nine includes the catcher)
- The minimum for playing a game is 7 players with 3 being women.
- Every player on the team is to hit in the game even if it is over 10 players. Only 9 players can be on the field at once, but everyone at the game must play a minimum of two innings in the field.
- The season winner will be determining by the number of wins. If two teams have the same number of wins, the winner will then be determined by the amount of runs scored in the season. If there is a tie, with the amount of runs scored, the winner will be determined by the amount of runs allowed. This applies if a playoff is not schedule.

General

- No metal spikes are allowed.
- No baseball bats are allowed.
- No Wooden bats are allowed.
- All bats must be cover with tape or rubber 10 – 15 inches from the handle.
- Unlimited substitutions are allowed in the field. Once the line up is set the line up can't be changed.
- A line up needs to be presented at least 5 minutes before the scheduled start of the game.

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- The line up should be boy – girl – boy - girl all the way through, even if a girl has to hit more than once for her team to make it through the line up.
- A game is to last 7 innings or 50 minutes, extra inning are allowed as long as it with in the 50 minutes allotted. A game is considered official after 4 innings played or 30 minutes have passed since the beginning of the game.
- There is a 15 run mercy rule in effect after 3 innings have been completed.
- There is a 10 run mercy rule in effect after 5 innings have been completed.
- A player that steps on the plate or clearly and completely in front of the plate will be called out.
- The team that is at bat will provide a pitcher. The batter will get **three** pitches to put the ball in play; otherwise it is an out. The pitch should have an arc of 6-12 feet. If the ball hits the pitcher it will be considered an out.
- There are only two homeruns allowed per game by male players, girls are allowed to hit an unlimited amount of homeruns. If a guy hits a homerun after the two homerun limit, it will result in the switch of the inning.
- There is no bunting allowed, it will be called a no pitch.

Base running

- No leading or stealing. A runner can't leave the base until the ball is hit.
- Courtesy runners are allowed if a player is injured, but the courtesy runners must be of the same sex.
- The courtesy runner is only in affect once the batter has reached first base.
- Sliding is not allowed, unless the runner is doing so to protect themselves.
- The catcher can't block the plate. If this happens the runner is safe.
- In the case of an over thrown ball that leaves the field of play the runner will be allotted one base ahead of the base that their advancing to. (Example- If a runner is headed to second base and a ball is thrown out of play the runner will then advance to third base.)