

MENS SLO-PITCH SOFTBALL

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
2000 MAIN STREET, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92648
FALL 2020 ADULT SLO-PITCH SOFTBALL
REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND LEAGUE RULES

I.	<u>TENTATIVE LEAGUES AND NIGHTS OF PLAY</u>	<u>TEAMS</u>	<u>LEAGUES</u>
	Monday Men C ¹¹ C ¹⁴ C ¹⁵ C ¹⁶ C ¹⁷ C ¹⁷	54	9
	Tuesday Men C ⁹ C ¹¹ C ¹² C ¹³ C ¹⁴ C ¹⁵ C ¹⁶ C ¹⁷ C ¹⁸	60	10
	Wednesday Coed C ¹ C ² C ³ C ⁴ C ⁵ C ⁶ C ⁷ C ⁸ C ⁹ C ¹⁰	60	10
	Thursday Men C ⁵ C ⁸ C ¹¹ C ¹² C ¹³ C ¹⁴ C ¹⁵ C ¹⁶ C ¹⁷ C ¹⁸	60	10
	Sunday Men C ¹¹ C ¹³ C ¹⁵ C ¹⁷	96	16
	Coed C ³ C ⁴ C ⁵ C ⁶ C ⁷ C ⁸ C ⁹ C ¹⁰		

SUNDAY GAME TIMES: Afternoon Coed - 12:00 noon tentative starting time, last game time is 3:45pm; Evening men's and Coed starts at 4:00pm and the last game at 7:45 p.m.

II. LEAGUE CLASSIFICATION AND FEES

- \$420** A. TOTAL ENTRY FEE: Mastercard, Visa, Discover or checks made payable to **CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH** **Any and all credit card transactions must be made in person.**
EACH TEAM MUST PAY ADDITIONAL FEE OF \$15 DIRECTLY TO THE UMPIRE BEFORE EACH GAME.
- \$25** B. A charge of \$25.00 may be added to the entry fee if roster is turned in after the deadline of **AUGUST 31, 2020, 4:00pm**. No rosters accepted after qualification game.
- \$130** Check payable to S.C.M.A.F. (Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation - see page 2 of official roster) OPTIONAL, BUT MUST BE A SEPARATE CHECK!! CREDIT CARDS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED FOR THIS INSURANCE.
- C. If team application is not accepted, refund will follow normal city policy and may take 4 to 6 weeks. Credit Card refunds can be processed upon return of the original credit card receipt.
- D. **IF TEAM FORFEITS A GAME, AN ADDITIONAL \$40 WILL BE REQUIRED IN ORDER TO CONTINUE LEAGUE PLAY – IF THE UMPIRE IS NOT PAID AT THE TIME OF THE FORFEIT.** Fee must be paid at Community Services Recreation Office prior to next scheduled game. Two (2) forfeits and team may be dropped from the league. **If a team forfeits their evaluation game, a \$60 forfeit fee will be charged to be reinstated into the program.**
- E. All checks/money orders payable to: **CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH** **Credit card transactions must be made in person.**

III. HOW TO ENTER YOUR TEAM

- A. Submit a check, credit card or money order for the desired league. **Credit card transactions must be made in person.** No team shall be accepted as part of a league until all required fees have been paid and submitted with the following: a team roster with name, address, city and phone number for each member. **INCOMPLETE ROSTERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. In order to receive points for Huntington Beach residents, copies of each individual California driver's license/DMV ID card must be submitted with roster at time of application.** * See VIII for further information on registration.
- B. Teams, which do not qualify for leagues, will be notified by phone. Managers' meeting for men's teams will be on **Wednesday, SEPT. 9, 2020, 7:00 p.m.** in the **Murdy Community Center**. Managers' meeting for coed teams will be **Wednesday, SEPT. 9, 2020, 8:00 p.m.** in the **Murdy Community Center. The center's address is 7000 Norma Drive.**

IV. CLASSIFICATION GAMES SCHEDULED

One (1) classification game will be scheduled beginning the week of Monday, Sept. 14 through Thursday, Sept. 14, 2020, for the Sunday leagues, the classification games will be Sept. 13, 2020 to determine slo-pitch team's classification. League games will start Monday, Sept. 21, 2020 for the Monday through Thursday leagues, Sunday Sept. 18, 2020 for the Sunday leagues. **Dates subject to change.**

V. ROSTERS

- A. Each team shall submit a complete roster with a maximum of twenty (20) and a minimum of twelve (12) players. **A MAXIMUM OF FIVE (5) ROSTER ADDITIONS WILL BE ALLOWED.**
- B. **No roster changes** may be made after start of second round or sixth played game. All roster changes must be made by 5:00 p.m. at the Recreation Office (536-5486) the day of your scheduled sixth league game (four, six or eight team leagues/ schedules). **For leagues with a different number of teams in the league (five, seven, nine for example), all additions must be made prior to your seventh scheduled or played game – WHICHEVER COMES LATER.**

MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2020, 4:00 PM DEADLINE

V. ROSTERS (Cont.)

- C. All changes shall be made at the Recreation Office either by phone (536-5486) or in person, not at the field.
- D. Players should have identification at all games.
- E. Eligibility protest must be made at the game prior to the last out – **Both the Umpire and the other team must be notified of the player(s) being protested and ID(s) must be provided the players in question. Maximum of three (3) allowed.**

VI. TIMETABLE

AUGUST 26 (WEDNESDAY)	PREREGISTRATION 4:00 PM DEADLINE
AUGUST 31 (MONDAY)	4:00 PM DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION
SEPTEMBER 9 (WEDNESDAY)	MANAGERS' MEETING – MURDY COMMUNITY CENTER
	Men's Teams - 7:00 p.m.
	Coed Teams - 8:00 p.m.

IT IS NECESSARY TO HAVE A TEAM REPRESENTATIVE ATTEND THE MANAGERS MEETING!!

SEPTEMBER 13 (SUNDAY)	Classification Games begin
SEPTEMBER 20 (SUNDAY)	League Play Begins For All Sunday teams
SEPTEMBER 21 (MONDAY)	League Play Begins For All weeknight teams

VII. FIELD LOCATIONS

Edison Park	Magnolia & Hamilton
Greer Park	McFadden & Golden West Streets
Murdy Park	7000 Norma Drive (Golden West & Warner)
Worthy Community Park	Main & 17th Streets
Huntington Beach Central Park Sports Complex	18100 Golden West

VIII. POINT BREAKDOWN

Teams from Huntington Beach will have priority over others. Each team wishing to receive priority as a local team must submit copies of driver's licenses or DMV IDs for each Huntington Beach resident when submitting rosters. One (1) point will be added for each resident with proper documentation. A pre-registration date will be set at least two days prior to the normal closing date for softball sign-ups. Teams who submit their completed application form (including roster) and fee on or before the pre-registration date will receive seven (7) bonus points. Teams submitting typed rosters receive two (2) points. Teams with Huntington Beach sponsors will receive six (6) points. No team will be accepted without full payment. To qualify for the sponsor's points, a team must pay entry fee with the company's check - NO SUBSTITUTIONS!! Any team found guilty of falsifying information will be ejected from the league. Teams who have played in the previous league will receive three (3) points. If the team has played three (3) consecutive seasons, they will receive ten (10) points.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS**A. SCHEDULES**

1. Leagues will normally consist of six (6) teams and play two (2) complete rounds. Overall season records will determine the league champion and runner-up. League Director reserves the right to have a different league format if necessary.
2. Game times tentatively set for 6:30, 7:45 and 9:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Sunday games tentatively set for afternoon (12:00, 1:15, 2:30 and 3:45 p.m.) and early evening (4:00, 5:15, 6:30 and 7:45 p.m.)
3. Makeup and Play-off Games:
 - a. All games rained out will be replayed only if they affect the final outcome for first place.
 - b. As soon as two teams have agreed on a time and place to make up a game, that time becomes game time and forfeit time.
4. All games ending in a tie will be ruled 1/2 win and 1/2 loss. ***If you have two ties, that will equal a win and a loss.***

B. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

1. Open Slo-Pitch - All rostered players must be 18 years of age.
2. A player is only eligible to play for one (1) slo-pitch team each day of the week, one (1) coed team Sunday afternoon and either one coed or Men's team Sunday night.
3. A player must play in at least two (2) of the first eight (8) games in order to participate in the final two (2) games **and any playoff games.**

C. SLO-PITCH

1. All games will be played under the current S.C.M.A.F. rules with the following exceptions:
 - a. Base runners may not leave base at any time until the ball crosses home plate (penalty: runner is out).
EXCEPTION: In coed leagues, player may leave base when ball leaves pitcher's hand.
 - b. Slo-pitch catchers need not wear a mask. However, catchers covered by S.C.M.A.F. insurance will not be eligible for benefits if NO mask is worn at time of accident.
 - c. The game will be officially over if, after five (5) innings, either team is ahead by fifteen (15) runs **or until the official time limit for the game has expired.**
 - d. Substitution - a team has two options; but each team manager must declare the option of their choice prior to the beginning of the game with the official.
 - (1) The team may list a maximum of fifteen (15) players on its legal bench in the batting order and play any ten (10) players on defense as long as it makes substitutions between innings. ALL players at the game, up to a maximum of fifteen (15), must be in the official batting order. Any player arriving late (up to a maximum of fifteen players) must be immediately added to the bottom of the lineup. If playing free substitution, players can't be added to lineup after 5th inning begins.
 - (2) The team may play the regular softball rules with normal substitution rules in effect at all times.
 - (3) **If neither is declared – it will default to a “Free” line-up.**

D. COED LEAGUE RULES

1. If male batter walks on first three (3) pitches, he is awarded second base.
2. Coed players may leave base after ball leaves pitcher's hand.
3. Coed players may slide into bases.
4. **Short fielder must be a woman when a female is up to bat.**
5. Each team must have at least four (4) men and four (4) women at game time, throughout the game and finish with **at least** a 4/4 ratio. **Teams may play 5/4 mix of either sex. However, teams may not play with more than five of either sex in the field.**
6. Team may list a maximum of sixteen (16) players.

E. GENERAL RULES

1. Pitching Distance - Will be 50 feet. *However, pitchers may use the optional 6' pitcher's box. This area is equal to the 2' width of the pitcher's mound/ plate and extends 6' back from the front of the pitcher's plate.*
2. All titanium, composite, multiple wall, multiple piece bats are banned in Huntington Beach recreation leagues. No bat may exceed 1.20 performance level. **Refer to banned bat list for latest updated information.** Player using a banned bat will be ejected from that game and next league game.
3. Lineups - Each manager shall give the opposing team a lineup at start of game. Substitutions must be given to the opposing team in the official manner.
4. Official Time - Shall be kept by the umpire. Eight (8) innings or one (1) hour and ten (10) minutes, whichever comes first. *Tie games will be played until time expires.*
5. Infield Warm-up - Not guaranteed; each team will be given half the time available, with the visitors having the infield first.
6. Pitchers will be allowed one warm-up pitch between innings and no infield practice.
7. Games may be played with a minimum of eight (8) players.
8. Forfeit Time - A game shall be called a forfeit if:
 - a. A team fails to field eight (8) players when the umpire calls "play ball" at the designated scheduled time. GAME TIME is forfeit time.
 - b. In the opinion of the officials, a manager does not have complete control of his team.
 - c. Continued delay of game after official has announced, "play ball."
 - d. Continued harassment of officials.
 - e. **A member or manager of any team consumes alcoholic beverages on the park premises, and it may also result in the team being dropped from the league without refund.**
 - f. Players throwing bats will be ejected from game and will not play in the following game. No warning by the umpire is required
 - g. Only rostered players in dugout during game.

9. Forfeit Fee - \$40 forfeit fee must be paid prior to next scheduled game (see II. C).
10. Games must go at least five (5) innings to be considered a legal game unless the home team is ahead after four and one-half (4 1/2) complete innings. **However, if the official time limit for the game has expired, the game will be considered complete – even if the minimum number of innings has not been played.**
11. **The League Director has final say in all disputes. However, if a majority of managers feels that the Director's ruling is wrong, they may overrule the decision in this manner: present a typewritten petition showing the vote of ALL managers and signed by all managers.**
12. **Protests - All protests shall be submitted to the Community Services Recreation Office (2000 Main Street) no later than 5:00 p.m. the following working day. Protests must be clearly written and accompanied with the required \$30 filing fee. If protest is upheld, fee shall be returned.**

No protest will be considered or honored on any official's judgment calls. All protests must be stated at point of contention (before ball is put into play), and the official and opposing manager must be properly notified as to the exact reason for the protest. The official shall note the protesting manager's exact statement. Managers must also file the written protest with the fee by the end of the next business day. MANAGERS NOT FOLLOWING THIS PROCEDURE WILL HAVE THEIR PROTEST NULLIFIED!
13. Collisions at bases and home plate - If, in the judgment of the umpire, base runner tries to knock defensive player over to avoid being tagged out, runner will be called out – **if the act is deemed flagrant – player may be ejected..**
14. Fake tags on base runners will advance each runner one base.
15. **Team may have unlimited courtesy runners per inning. Runner may run only once per inning as a courtesy runner. If courtesy runner is on base when it is his or her turn to bat, they will be allowed to have a replacement runner and take their turn at the plate.**
16. **Foul fly balls hit into the tennis courts (on the fly) at Murdy or Edison Parks, into the Parking lot next to Murdy #1 or Sports Complex #4, onto Talbert from SC#7 or SC#8 or over the left field/ 3RD base fence on field #8 at the Sports Complex - batter is OUT. Foul balls hit into the mobile homes from SC#1 – Batter is out. Foul balls going onto Golden West from SC #1 or #4 will be umpire's judgment if the batter will be called out.**
17. **Pitching arc will be 12' limit.**

F. CONDUCT

The team manager shall conduct all grievances. Any unusual tactics, profanity or derogatory remarks by a player or manager shall result in eviction from game and park. Ejected players must leave park or his team automatically forfeits their game. **A player ejected after the game was completed may not play in the following 2 games.**

NOTE: A player is automatically suspended for the next game if he/she is ejected from a game. If he/she plays in the next game, it will be a forfeit game. A player shall be ejected from a game only twice during the season. The second time shall result in elimination from further competition for the remainder of the season. Or, if in the opinion of the arbitration board stronger action is warranted, elimination shall take place after the first ejection. Any player throwing a bat due to ill temper will be automatically ejected from the game.

Any player who physically abuses an umpire shall be banned from participating in any adult sports in Huntington Beach and may be legally prosecuted for assault.

G. AWARDS

Awards will be given to the league winners and runners-up. **Fifteen (15) individual and one (1) team trophy will be given to the champions, and a team trophy will be given to the runner-up.**

*** * PLEASE READ ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION CAREFULLY * ***

ANY QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED AT THE MANAGERS' MEETING: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2020.
7:00 PM FOR MEN, 8:00 PM FOR COED AT **MURDY COMMUNITY CENTER, 7000 NORMA DRIVE, HUNTINGTON BEACH.**

ALL TEAMS MUST HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT - NO EXCEPTIONS!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT Ray Frankeny AT (714) 536-5230 or (714) 536-5486.
E-Mail is rfrankeny@surfcity-hb.org. **FAX NUMBER IS 714-374-1654.** IN CASE OF RAIN, CALL (714) 375-5164

MENS TEAM ONLY
FALL 2020 SLO-PITCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE - OFFICIAL ROSTER

NAME OF TEAM _____ LEAGUE _____

OUR TEAM PLAYED FORMERLY AS _____

TEAM MANAGER _____ PREFERRED NIGHT OF PLAY 1 _____ 2 _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE (H) _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ PHONE (W) _____

*REQUIRED E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ PHONE (C) _____

ASSISTANT TEAM MANAGER _____ PHONE (H) _____

*REQUIRED E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ PHONE (W) _____

REPEAT TEAM NAME/TEAM MANAGER ON REVERSE SIDE _____ PHONE (C) _____

CASH - CHECKS ONLY

ALL CREDIT CARDS TRANSACTIONS MUST BE MADE IN PERSON

ENTRY FEE: ONLY ONE CHECK ACCEPTED (except sponsor's check),
 Payable to "City of Huntington Beach" **\$420** _____
 Late Charge – Roster Submitted after Deadline of AUG. 31, 2020 **\$25** _____

OPTIONAL SCMAF (Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation) **\$130** _____
MUST BE SEPARATE CHECK

The city does not carry injury insurance coverage for the Slo-Pitch Program. However, a fund program is offered by the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation: **\$130 per team per year**, expires December 31 which provides \$15,000 excess medical protection per occurrence with an annual deductible of \$500 per person.

I have read the above statement and understand my team is not covered for injuries by any City of Huntington Beach insurance program. I have also received the information pamphlet from SCMAF.

MANAGER'S SIGNATURE

POINT BREAKDOWN:					TOTAL POINTS
HUNTINGTON BEACH SPONSOR'S CHECK	yes	_____	no	_____	6 points
PLAYED IN WINTER 2020 LEAGUE	yes	_____	no	_____	3 points
RETURNING TEAM (3 consecutive seasons)	yes	_____	no	_____	10 points
ROSTER TYPED (BOTH SIDES)	yes	_____	no	_____	2 points
PREREGISTRATION July 31 – August 27, 2020				4:00 PM	7 points
H.B. RESIDENTS					1 point each
					TOTAL POINTS

ROSTER CHANGES (MAXIMUM OF 5 ADDITIONS):

Department Use Only

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
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RECEIPT # _____ DATE _____ INITIAL ____ C/C ____ CHECK # _____ ROSTER # _____

Refund Processed/Check Returned: Amount _____ Date _____ By _____

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MENS TEAM ONLY

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
 2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, California 92648
FALL 2020 SLO-PITCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE - OFFICIAL ROSTER

NAME OF TEAM _____ LEAGUE _____

OUR TEAM PLAYED FORMERLY AS _____

TEAM MANAGER _____ PREFERRED NIGHT OF PLAY 1 _____ 2 _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE (H) _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ PHONE (W) _____

*REQUIRED E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ PHONE (C) _____

ASSISTANT TEAM MANAGER _____ PHONE (H) _____

*REQUIRED E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ PHONE (W) _____

_____ PHONE (C) _____

REPEAT TEAM NAME/TEAM MANAGER ON REVERSE SIDE

ONLY THIS ORIGINAL ROSTER WILL BE ACCEPTED, AND IT MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED IN INK (Teams submitting typed rosters receive two (2) points). **NOTE:** If team manager is a player, he must be one of the players on this roster.

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MANAGER MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

IF REFUND REQUIRED, IT WILL TAKE 4 TO 6 WEEKS TO PROCESS.

Make refund payable to: _____
 Address: _____ Signature _____

Is your team willing to play in SUNDAY LEAGUE (if Monday-Friday leagues are filled)? _____

If willing to play in **Sunday** league, please complete the following information:

12:00 Noon – 3:45 PM _____ 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM _____ 4:00 PM - As many as possible _____ 5:15 PM - As many as possible _____
No 12:00 Noon games _____ **No 3:45 PM Games** _____ **No 4:00 PM games** _____ **No 5:15 PM Games** _____ **No 7:45 PM Games** _____

*** SEE REVERSE SIDE ***

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MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2020 - 4:00 PM DEADLINE