



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

2000 MAIN STREET

CALIFORNIA 92648

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

(714) 536-5486

July 1, 2021

SENIORS' SOFTBALL MANAGER:

RE: SENIORS' FALL SOFTBALL LEAGUE - 2021

The City of Huntington Beach, Community Services Department, is offering a Seniors' Softball League. The Sunday leagues are scheduled to begin Sunday, August 29, 2021. League games will be played each Sunday at 9:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:00 and 1:15 p.m. Weeknight games are usually scheduled for 6:30 p.m., 7:45 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. and are scheduled to start the week of August 30, 2021 for all Senior leagues.

The entry fee is \$200.00 per team. Each team MUST pay \$15 cash to the umpire prior to each game.

Entry fees and rosters must be sent in by **4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 9, 2021** to:

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
2000 Main Street, P.O. Box 190
5th Floor
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Please note that due to new restrictions on credit card transactions, all payments by credit card must be made in person. We can no longer accept credit cards over the phone, by mail, FAX or by e-mail.

Due to health restrictions, NO Managers' meeting will be held for the FALL 2021 league. Information and updates will be shared by e-mail. **Also, please note the start date is tentative.**

If you have any questions, call me at (714) 536-5230.

Sincerely,

Raymond Frankeny

Raymond Frankeny
Recreation Supervisor

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SENIOR SOFTBALL RULES

The Huntington Beach Senior Softball League will be governed under the current S.C.M.A.F. Slow Pitch Rules with the following exceptions and clarifications:

PARTICIPANTS

1. Age minimum will be 55 years during the calendar year.
2. Rosters are limited to 20 players.
3. No roster changes may be made after **October 19, 2021**. **NOTE: Date subject to change due to weather cancellations or other factors.**

EQUIPMENT

Metal cleats are not allowed. Player must wear shoes/ cleats.

UMPIRES

1. The City of Huntington Beach will assign all umpires.
2. Each team is responsible for \$15.00 (cash) umpire's fee prior to each game.
 - a. Should a team fail to have at least 8 rostered players five minutes after game time, they will be responsible for the total umpire's fee of \$30 to be paid at the game site. The game will be played and teams can pick up players, but the game will be recorded as a forfeit.

Should a team know in advance that they will **NOT** have at least 8 rostered players at game time **and** will **NOT** be going to the game site, the manager of this team **MUST CONTACT** the League Director **AND/OR** manager of the team **24 hours prior to the time** they were scheduled to play. The team failing to appear for their scheduled game will be responsible for the **TOTAL UMPIRE FEE** of \$30 to be mailed to the League Chairperson, Huntington Beach Community Services Department, Post Office Box 190, Huntington Beach, CA 92648. Payment must be made **NO LATER** than **5 DAYS** after the date of the forfeited game. **MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH.**

3. Should the city-assigned umpire fail to appear, a mature adult acceptable to both teams may officiate and will have all the authority of an assigned umpire.

SCOREKEEPER

The umpire is responsible for the official score

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GAME RULES

1. Home team shall be last team named on league schedule.
2. Forfeit time is 5 minutes after game time.
3. Games will be 7 innings **OR** 1 hour and 10 minutes - **Weeknight games will be 1 hour and 5 minutes.**
 - a. No inning may start after 1 hour 5 minutes from game time – **1 hour for weeknight games.**
 - b. An inning in progress will be completed.
4. All games ending in a tie will be recorded as a half-game win and a half-game loss. **Two ties will equal one win and one loss.**
5. Sliding is not allowed. A player who slides will be called "OUT."
6. Players (base runners) may overrun any base provided there is no motion to advance to the following base. A runner returning to a base may also overrun the base if necessary. If a runner overruns second or third base, runner must retag the base before advancing to next base.
7. A defensive player cannot, intentionally or unintentionally, block a base from a runner.
8. Base runner is "OUT" if ball is jarred loose by bumping or physical contact.
9. Base runner is "OUT" if runner is tagged with the ball and the ball is dropped.
10. If base runner touches home plate or the extension mat or runs through the batter's box when scoring a run, the runner is out. However, the catcher on a force play must only play home plate.
11. Once offensive player advancing toward home plate passes the twenty foot line, player cannot retreat to third base but must continue to home with the possibility of being forced out at the plate.
12. 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 declared out as a runner, and be removed from the base, so that player may take their turn at bat. A team **cannot** use a courtesy runner for a courtesy runner.
13. Lineups - Managers of both teams should exchange lineups and the umpire must also be given a lineup prior to the start of the game.
14. **When a woman is batting, four (4) outfielders must remain behind the 180 foot arc until the ball is hit (Men's Sunday and Thursday leagues only).** Coed and Women's leagues may use **ONE** rover. If defensive team is playing with nine (9) players, three (3) outfielders must remain behind the 180 foot arc. **Coed Teams playing with 11 player option, must keep four (4) outfielders behind the coed arc until the ball is hit.**
15. **Foul fly balls hit into the tennis courts at Murdy or Edison Parks, onto the Parking lot next to Murdy #1, or onto Golden West, Talbert or over the left field out of play fence on field #8 or into the parking lot at the Sports Complex - batter is OUT.**

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16. A game will end anytime after five (5) innings when a team is behind fifteen (15) runs and has completed its turn at bat.
17. Players may play for one team only each night/ day of the week.
18. A player must play in at least two (2) of the first seven (7) games in order to participate in the last three games of the season or any playoff games.
19. If a team has eight or nine players, they may add two players for that game. They must bat last and play catcher or right field. **For the Sunday Men's leagues -** One player must come from equivalent or lower league except for the lowest division which may add no more than one player from the next higher division and/ or one from the current division. The added players must be on a Huntington Beach roster and cannot be added after the 5th inning begins.
20. Team may score maximum of five (5) runs per inning but if their lead (visiting team) exceeds 15 runs in the last inning, the maximum that can be scored is five (5) runs.
- 21. If the visiting team is up by 10 or more runs when the open inning is declared, the home team will remain at bat and the visiting team will remain in the field.**
22. If there is a play on a base runner going to second or third, the runner should veer right or left off the base to avoid contact with the defensive player. The runner's foot down perpendicular to the base is the same as touching the base.
23. If team forfeits two games during the season, they may be dropped from league.
- 24.** 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. Pitch arc limit will be 12'.*
25. All titanium, multiple wall, shell, sleeve, two-piece, composite bats are illegal in all Huntington Beach slo-pitch recreation leagues and may not exceed 1.20 performance level. **See city banned bat list. All bats must be ASA approved to be used in the league.**
- 26. 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.**
- 27. Weeknight leagues will have the option of starting with a 1-1 count – however BOTH teams must agree and the umpire will note the decision on the scorecard.**
28. The three-strike rule will be used.

SPORTSMANSHIP

The umpire is in complete charge of the game. Any undue conduct by players or manager shall necessitate ejection from game and participation. Any player or coach ejected from a game will automatically be suspended for the following game. He will also have to leave the game area. League officials may review the case and issue harsher disciplinary action.

Managers will be responsible for the conduct of their players and will:

1. Do everything possible to assist the umpire in keeping the game conducted in an orderly manner.
2. Be responsible for reviewing league rules and regulations with all team players.

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PROTESTS

Should a protest situation arise, the S.C.M.A.F. rule will be used. A written protest must be filed and sent to the league chairperson by next working day along with a \$30 protest fee (if protest is upheld, the fee will be returned). A protest committee will convene and rule on the protest.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

League standings will be determined by the overall win/loss record. If there is a tie for first place in the standings, a one game play-off will be arranged.

AWARDS

Fifteen first place individual awards and first and second place team trophies.

ALCOHOL

Alcohol on the park/ball diamond is prohibited. Managers will be responsible for enforcing this ordinance with players and team spectators.

FALL 2021 SENIORS' (55 & OLDER) SLO-PITCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

OFFICIAL ROSTER

NAME OF TEAM _____	DIVISION	I	II	IV	V
TEAM MANAGER _____	MON. WOMEN'S	TUES. COED	THURS. MENS	THURS. WOMENS	
CR# - 4621046A SR# - 4621046A WR# - 4621036A					
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) _____				

	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	PHONE	BIRTH DATE
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CASH - CHECK ONLY

ALL CREDIT CARDS TRANSACTIONS MUST BE MADE IN PERSON

ENTRY FEE: CHECK PAYABLE TO THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH **\$200.00**

ROSTER CHANGES (MAXIMUM OF 5 ADDITIONS):

	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	PHONE	BIRTH DATE
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RECEIPT # _____ DATE _____ INITIAL ____ C/C ____ CHECK # _____ ROSTER # _____

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

SENIOR SLO-PITCH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY TEAMS ONLY – THIS FORM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021

MURDY 1

9:30		VS	
10:50		VS	
12:10		VS	
1:30		VS	

MURDY 2

9:30		VS	
10:50		VS	
12:10		VS	
1:30		VS	

GREER

9:30		VS	
10:50		VS	
12:10		VS	
1:30		VS	

WORTHY

9:30		VS	
10:50		VS	
12:10		VS	
1:30		VS	

SENIOR SLO-PITCH SCHEDULE

WEEKNIGHT TEAMS ONLY – THIS FORM

MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 2021

GREER

6:30		VS	
7:45		VS	
9:00		VS	

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021

MURDY 1

7:00		VS	
8:15		VS	

MURDY 2

7:00		VS	
8:15		VS	

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2021

MURDY 1

7:00		VS	
8:15		VS	

MURDY 2

7:00		VS	
8:15		VS	

GREER

6:30		VS	
7:45		VS	
9:00		VS	

PLEASE FILL OUT FORM COMPLETELY & Send in prior to August 9, 2021
THERE WILL BE NO MEETING PRIOR TO START OF THE SEASON

SUNDAY TEAMS ONLY THIS FORM

Senior's Slo-Pitch League FALL 2021

TEAM NAME:

MANAGER:

Please mark appropriate box

YES we can play on this date or NO we have other plans

DATES OF LEAGUE	YES	NO	COMMENTS
August 29			
September 5		X	Labor Day Weekend
September 12			
September 19			
September 26			
October 3			
October 10			
October 17			
October 24			
October 31			Halloween
November 7			
November 14			
November 21			
November 28		X	Thanksgiving Weekend
December 5			
December 12			
December 19			