

CITY OF DAVIS  
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION  
ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES  
RULES MOST ASKED ABOUT

**There are no playoffs and no awards given out to any league winners.**

**League coordinators reserve the right to move/remove any player or team they feel is inappropriate for the league they are playing in.**

**Consumption of Alcohol:** Alcohol is permitted in all City of Davis parks, however, players may NOT consume alcohol while playing. Open alcoholic beverage containers are not allowed within 20 feet of any dugout. Any player who drinks alcohol during a game will be ejected and is subject to suspension. His/her place in the line up will be called an out unless the team has a legal substitute. The manager of that player's team will also be ejected and subject to suspension. Any umpire on site, the Sports Coordinator and/or the Sports Coordinator's appointee may eject any player from any game if the player is caught drinking alcohol during their game.

**Double bag at first base.** The orange bag is a safety bag to avoid collisions between the batter/runner and the first baseman. If a runner uses the wrong bag, the umpire will call the batter/runner out automatically.

**Home run rules:** Check each league schedule. Any additional over-the-fence homeruns will be ruled an out in all leagues.

**Bats:** Composite barrel bats plus certain high performance bats are not allowed in ANY league. Only single-wall, one piece aluminum bats are legal in all Coed leagues and must be pre-approved by the legal coordinator prior to their use. Check the "2019/2020 Bat Restriction List" for more information.

**Courtesy Runners:** A team is allowed ONE courtesy runner per inning (in Coed, one male and one female). The courtesy runner may be any player in the lineup. Teams MUST receive permission from the opposing manager, not the umpire, to insert a courtesy runner. If a courtesy runner is on base when his/her place in the batting order comes up, his/her place in the line-up will be called out. Once a courtesy runner is used by a player, that player must use a courtesy runner each time he/she gets on base. If a courtesy runner has already been used in an inning and a player gets on base that used a courtesy runner earlier in the game, that player will be called out once they make it safely on base.

**Profanity will not be tolerated.** Umpires will be responsible for ejecting any player using obscene or profane language (see Coed rule 7-15 and Men's/Women's rule 6-14). An ejection usually results in at least a one (1) week suspension.

**Only one (1) on deck batter may be on the field of play at any time.** Keep all players other than the on deck batter and the base coach in the dugout.

**10 run rule:** If after 55 minutes, EITHER team is up by 10 or more runs, the game will be called and the inning WILL NOT be finished.

**15 run mercy rule:** If a team is playing with 8 players and is losing by 15 or more runs ANYTIME after three (3) full innings, the game will be called.

**A PLAYER SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY ON ONLY ONE (1) MEN'S TEAM PER NIGHT. A PLAYER SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY ON ONLY ONE (1) COED TEAM. VIOLATORS WILL BE SUSPENDED.**