

Adam Cantu Memorial Softball Tournament

Game Rules

1. Games are 50 minutes or 7 innings, whichever comes first.
 - a. A new inning will not start once time hits 45 minutes
2. If the game ends in a tie, the score reverts back to the score of the last completed inning that did not end in a tie
3. Teams will consist of a minimum of 10 members (4:6 women to men ratio), maximum 12 members (5:7 women to men ratio)
 - a. Players can play any position; however, 4 females must be on the field at all times. For teams of 12 – minimum of 5 females on the field
 - b. In the event a team cannot fill a 10 player roster and abide by the 40/60 rule, they can either buy a Substitute Mulligan (we find a female that are interested in playing or get one from another team) or the team can play the field with 9, 1 male sits on the bench and they start each at bat inning with an out.
 - i. Teams are permitted to begin a game with a minimum of eight (8) players. Any lineup with fewer than ten (10) batters will take an out for each empty lineup position, up to two (2).
 - c. Offensive teams must alternate the batting line-up according to gender. If a player leaves the game for any reason, their substitute must be of the same gender.***
4. Rosters are to be locked prior to the start of the team's first game. Emergency substitute shall be allowed in the event the player is injured and cannot play the next game and team cannot field 9 players
 - a. See Mulligan Rules to purchase "at will sub"
5. All batters start with 1-1 count and will receive one extra foul ball with a two strike count. After the extra foul ball, the next foul ball will be an out.
6. Teams can use only "official" softball bats. No baseball bats allowed.
7. All players will use 12" softballs provided by the tournament committee.
8. Home run rule: 2 home runs per team per game (see mulligan information for additional home runs for purchase). If no mulligans are purchased or available to use, any Home run after 2 is an automatic out.
9. Sliding is ONLY permitted to prevent injury. No stealing or leading off.
10. One courtesy runner allowed per game per team. Courtesy runner will be the last out. (See Mulligan information for additional courtesy runners available for purchase)
11. No foul language allowed. This is a family friendly event.
12. Fighting or displays of poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated and will be grounds for disqualification.
 - a. Any batter that intentionally hits a ball up the middle towards the pitcher will be an automatic out and subject to ejection from the game. This is at the discretion of the umpire.
13. The umpires have the say on ALL calls. Base coaches cannot make physical contact with base runners. Violation will result in an automatic out.
14. Any male batter walked (whether intentionally or unintentionally) is automatically

placed on second base. The subsequent batter (a female batter) then has the option to either take her at bat or an automatic walk to first base. This decision is solely at the discretion of the batting female.

15. All players must bat. If your team has 12 players, 10 will be on the field and all 12 will bat.
16. No bunting allowed. Automatic out.
17. Run rule is 7 runs per inning. 15 game run rule.
18. Each team has a team manager and is responsible for keeping score each inning and communicating with the opposing team manager, umpire, and tournament committee.
19. Pitching: This is lob ball slow pitch. The arc must be no higher than 10 feet and no lower than 3 feet.
20. Coin toss before each game will determine home/visitor.

Rules are subject to change

Mulligans

- **Homerun Mulligans** – Homerun mulligans are available for purchase online prior to the day of the tournament or in person on the day of the tournament. If tickets are purchased online prior to the tournament day, the cost is \$15 each or a 10 pack for \$100. If purchased the day of the tournament, they can be purchased for \$20 each or 7 for \$100. Tickets can be purchased in-between games but not in the middle of a game. There is no limit on the amount of homerun mulligans purchased. Anytime a mulligan is used, the team manager must give the ticket to the umpire.
- **Courtesy Runner Mulligans** – Same pricing structure as Homerun mulligans. Same rules as homerun mulligans. You can choose the runner for the courtesy runner (last out rule does not apply when using a mulligan).
- **Replay Mulligan** - \$100. Purchase at any time except during a game. Only one per team for the ENTIRE tournament is available. This allows a team to replay any at bat when on offense, or replay any defensive play which will require the opposing team's batter to redo his/her at bat. Starting with a new pitch count.
 - CHAMPIONSHIP GAME EXCEPTION – Replay mulligan can cancel out opposing team's replay mulligan
 - CHAMPIONSHIP GAME EXCEPTION – Option to buy another replay mulligan to be used in the championship game for \$200
- **At will Substitute Mulligan** - \$35 each – cap at 3 for the day. This will allow you to sub out a player for a game later in the day if a player does not want to or is not willing to continue play throughout the day. This is the only mulligan that is eligible to be purchased during the game. All others must be purchased between games.