

Salinas Sports Complex

Adult Softball League

THE ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUE IS INTENDED TO MEET BOTH THE RECREATIONAL AND ATHLETIC NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY. SPORTSMANSHIP IS THE EMPHASIS, TO SOLELY FOCUS ON THE COMPETITIVE ASPECT AND WIN AT ALL COST ATTITUDES, IS NOT THE GOAL OF THE SOFTBALL LEAGUE.

KEEP THESE FACTORS IN MINDS:

1. YOU'RE REPRESENTING YOUR TEAM/COMPANY,
2. SAFETY AND FUN FOR ALL,
3. REMEMBER..... IT IS ONLY A GAME

PLAYER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

1. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL**: At any time lay a hand upon, push, shove, strike, or threaten an official. Officials are required to immediately suspend participant from further play and report participant to League Director. The participant shall remain suspended until the League Director considers his/her case.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two (2) league games and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Such a participant shall be suspended for life and/or assault charges filed.
2. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL**: Refuse to abide by an official's decision or be guilty of verbal or forceful demonstrations of dissent to an official's decision. The degree of infraction shall, in the official's judgment, draw:
MINIMUM PENALTY: Two (2) game suspension and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.
3. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL**: use deliberately rough tactics during a game against the body and person of an opposing participant. Officials are required to immediately suspend participant from further play and report incident to League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspend for one year from time of incident.
4. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL**: Be guilty of a **physical attack** as an aggressor upon any participant, agency representative, official, or spectator. Officials are required to immediately suspend participant from further play and report participant to the League Director. Participant shall remain suspended until the League Director has considered his/her case.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Two (2) game suspension and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for life and/or assault charges filed.
5. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL** be guilty of an abusive **verbal attack**, including "trash talking" or taunting any participant, official, agency representative, or spectator. Officials are required to immediately suspend the participant from further play. The infraction will be reported to the League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Two (2) game suspension and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Four (4) game suspension and/or one year from time of incident.
6. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL**: appear in, on or around a facility at any time under the influence or in possession of a controlled substance, or in an intoxicated condition. Officials are required to suspend participant from further play and report such player to the League Director.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two (2) league games and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.
7. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL**: Smoke in an indoor facility, on a field of play, or in the dugout area.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Warning from officials.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: One (1) game suspension and placed on probation for the remainder of season.

8. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of intentionally throwing a bat or item of playing equipment.
MINIMUM PENALTY: One (1) game suspension and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.
9. **NO TEAM OR TEAMS SHALL** Engage in physical aggression upon each other, officials, agency representatives, field supervisors, or spectators. Officials shall immediately suspend play and report, in writing, the incident to the League Director. Decision by League Director shall involve:

MINIMUM PENALTY: Forfeiture of game by one or both teams involved with suspension of one additional game and probation of one year from time of incident.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Dropping of one or both teams from the League for life.
10. **NO MANAGER, PARTICIPANT, CAPTAIN, OR TEAM REPRESENTATIVE SHALL:** At any time be guilty of utilizing a non-roster or ineligible participant; or falsify the identification or age of any participant or person on an official league or tournament sports roster. Such falsification, intentional or otherwise, and with or without that participant or person's knowledge, shall be just cause for disciplinary action.
MINIMUM PENALTY: One game suspension and placed on probation for the remainder of season.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Open to determination by the League Director.
11. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Discuss with an official in any manner the decision reached by such official except the manager or captain.
MINIMUM PENALTY: The degree of infraction of this tenant of good sportsmanship shall in the official's judgment draw a minimum penalty of warning.
MAXIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.
12. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Use profane obscene, or vulgar language in any manner, or at any time.
MINIMUM PENALTY: The degree of infraction of this tenant of good sportsmanship shall draw a penalty of removal from the game, facility and grounds within 60 seconds or game will be forfeited.
13. **NO PARTICIPANT SHALL:** Be guilty of discussing publicly with a spectator, player, or official in a derogatory or abusive manner a play, decision, or his personal opinion of the other players, during the game.
MINIMUM PENALTY: Officials are required to warn players guilty of infractions of this rule and failure of such players to comply will result in removal from the game.

SPECIAL NOTES:

1. **THE LEAGUE DIRECTORS SHALL** have the power and full discretion of imposing penalties on any and all violations of the Players Code of Conduct. In any violation not included in said Code, the penalty shall be at the discretion of the League Director.
2. Any participant removed from a game may be asked to leave the park or school facility immediately. Failure to do so will carry a maximum penalty of one year suspension.
3. Any participant having been once penalized by enforcement of the "Code of Conduct" and reported again for violating the "Code of Conduct" will be subject to additional penalties open to the determination of the League Director.
4. Managers are responsible for actions of their participants and spectators at all times.
5. The term participant shall include players, coaches and fans where appropriate. Managers are responsible for the actions of their fans.
6. In the event a manager, coach, player, or fan is suspended from league play. That individual is not permitted to attend any game or be on site of the contest during their suspension.