



CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

2000 MAIN STREET

CALIFORNIA 92648

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
(714) 536-5486

March 23, 2009

SENIORS' SOFTBALL MANAGER:

RE: SENIORS' SUMMER SOFTBALL LEAGUE - 2009

The City of Huntington Beach, Community Services Department, is offering a Seniors' Softball League. The league begins Sunday, May 3, 2009. League games will be played each Sunday at 9:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:00 noon, 1:15 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. Weeknight games are usually scheduled for 6:30 p.m., 7:45 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

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 either ***mailed in or dropped off*** in person by **4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 23, 2009** to:

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

Managers' meeting will be **Thursday**, April 30, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at Murdy Park.

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

Sincerely,

Raymond Frankeny

Raymond Frankeny
Recreation Supervisor

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CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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 June 28, 2009.

EQUIPMENT

Metal cleats are not allowed. Player must wear shoes.

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 15 minutes.
 - a. No inning may start after 1 hour 15 minutes from game time.
 - 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.
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 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. If defensive team is playing with nine (9) players, three (3) outfielders must remain behind the 180 foot arc.
15. ***Foul fly balls hit into the tennis courts at Murdy or Edison Parks, onto the Parking lot next to Murdy #1, onto the street at GWC #2 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.
18. A player must play in at least two (2) of the first eight (8) games in order to participate in the last game of the season or playoff game.
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. 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 they exceed 15 runs in the last inning, the maximum that can be scored is five (5) runs.
21. 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.
22. If team forfeits two games during the season, they may be dropped from league.
23. 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.*
24. All titanium, double wall, 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.**
25. 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.

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.

2009 SUMMER SENIORS' (55 & OLDER) SLO-PITCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

OFFICIAL ROSTER

NAME OF TEAM _____ TEAM MANAGER _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____ *REQUIRED E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ ASSISTANT TEAM MANAGER _____ *REQUIRED E-MAIL ADDRESS _____	DIVISION	I _____ II _____ III _____ IV _____ TUES. COED	THURSDAY	PHONE (H) _____ PHONE (W) _____ PHONE (C) _____ PHONE (H) _____ PHONE (W) _____ PHONE (C) _____
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REPEAT TEAM NAME/TEAM MANAGER ON REVERSE SIDE

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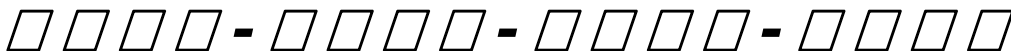
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CASH - CHECKS - DISCOVER - MASTERCARD - VISA



_____ *Discover* _____ *MasterCard* _____ *Visa*

EXPIRATION DATE _____ CARD HOLDER SIGNATURE _____

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 # _____

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SENIOR SLO-PITCH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY TEAMS ONLY – THIS FORM

MAY 3, 2009

MURDY 1

9:30		VS	
10:45		VS	
12:00		VS	
1:15		VS	

MURDY 2

9:30		VS	
10:45		VS	

GREER

9:30		VS	
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12:00		VS	
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SENIOR SLO-PITCH SCHEDULE

WEEKNIGHT TEAMS ONLY – THIS FORM

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009

MURDY 1

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

MURDY 2

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

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009

MURDY 1

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

MURDY 2

6:30		VS	
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GREER

6:30		VS	
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PLEASE FILL OUT FORM COMPLETELY & BRING TO THE MANAGERS MEETING ON THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2009 @ 7:00 P.M. @ MURDY PARK

SUNDAY TEAMS ONLY THIS FORM

Senior's Slo-Pitch League SUMMER 2009

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
May 3			
May 10		X	Mother's Day
May 17			
May 24		X	Memorial Day Weekend
May 31			
June 7			
June 14			Father's Day
June 21			
June 28			
July 5		X	Fourth of July Weekend
July 12		X	Senior Softball Tournament
July 19			
July 26			
August 2			
August 9			
August 16			
August 23			