

# LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES XXX- 2016

## TOURNAMENT RULES AND GUIDELINES

### COED DIVISION

#### ROSTERS

1. All players must have a photo ID in their possession. Players must check in & wear appropriate wrist band. If you are found playing without a wristband, you are subject to suspension.
2. Teams may add or substitute up to four new players on their roster. Add on or substituted player(s) must have played in the same league – night, division, and classification - the team qualified from. A maximum of 20 players may be listed on your final roster. (Teams will be awarded the amount of sweatshirts as players listed on their roster (Maximum of 15).
3. If after your roster is turned in, you must make an emergency change, you may REPLACE up to two people on your roster. There is a \$10 fee per player. These players must replace your Add-On players and not your original rostered players. Please contact your league director with questions.  
**The deadline for emergency changes is 5pm the Thursday before the tournament begins.**  
**You must have your league director email the tournament director to approve an emergency change.**
4. The use of ineligible players will result in a forfeit and elimination of the team from further play in the tournament.
5. Rosters MUST have first and last names.
6. Players may play on more than one team. If the teams wind up playing each other, the player must declare at the beginning of the game, which team they will play on for that game. Players listed on a National Roster, may not play in the Recreation Division nor may they be an emergency add for an American team.

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##### **ASA Rules will govern play with some exceptions.**

1. A 60-minute time limit will be in effect in all games, except the championship game. GAME TIME IS FORFEIT TIME.
2. A fifteen (15) run rule after four innings and ten (10) run rule after five innings will be in effect for all games.
3. The start count will be 1-1 with an extra foul ball allowed.
4. A strike mat will be used. If a strike mat is not available, games will be played without one.
5. Metal cleats are prohibited.
6. Sliding will be allowed in all divisions of play.
7. Courtesy Runners will be allowed per the ASA Rule Book. Any eligible player on the official line-up including available substitutes may be used as a courtesy runner. A courtesy runner may be used once per inning per gender. If the person who is running comes to bat while still on base, the baserunner will be declared out.
8. In each division there will be a limit of over-the-fence home runs. Any home runs in excess of the following breakdown will result in an OUT ONLY:

National Division	Four (4) Equalizer Up to Eight (8)
American Division	Two (2) Equalizer Up to Four (4)
Recreation Division	Zero (0)
8. The current ASA walk rule will be in effect.
9. A team may start a game with 9,10, or 12 players. If it starts with 9 the short-handed rule will be in effect (Rule 4, Section 1 D) The vacant position will be listed on the lineup in the number 10 spot and will be an out each time the space comes up. If the 10<sup>th</sup> player arrives late, he or she must take the vacant spot. You may never add an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> player after the game has started. In case of injury or ejection, a team may continue with less players, however, each injured or ejected player will count as an out in the lineup. A minimum of 8 players is required to continue a game. Dropping below 8 players will result in a forfeit.
10. Males and Females must alternate in the batting order but MAY PLAY ANY POSITION ON DEFENSE.
11. Protests will be accepted on rule interpretations but never on judgment calls. A \$20.00/player cash fee will be required for player eligibility protests. All decisions made by the tournament official on site will be final. If for some reason, a tournament official is not available, call the Tournament Director. 916-622-9060
12. All players must have their I.D. and Rosters checked prior to playing. No ID = No Play.
13. **ONLY single wall, one piece, metal bats will be allowed in the Recreation Division.** If you wish to use your bat, it must be brought when you check-in and it a sticker will be placed on the bat. No sticker = Not allowed! (SEE NOTE A)
14. Beginning with the 8<sup>th</sup> Inning or at the conclusion of the time limit the tiebreaker rule will go into effect. Last batter of previous inning starts at 2<sup>nd</sup> base, with 0 Outs.
15. NO CANS, GLASS, or ALCOHOL MAY BE BROUGHT INTO THE SOFTBALL COMPLEXES. CONCESSIONAIRES MAY BE ON SITE

**Note A:** The Mizuno Techfire line of bats are NOT allowed in the LCS Recreation Division. These bats have “bonsai aluminum” and are considered a composite material.