



CITY OF BANGOR
PARKS & RECREATION

2025 Adult Softball Rules, Regulations & Policies

1.0 Introductions

- Karissa Hatch - Recreation Coordinator
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- Randy Dodge - Union Street Complex Programmer
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- Bobby O'Donnell - Umpire in Charge

2.0 Registrations

- Online registration demo

2.1 Player registration requirements

- All players MANDATORY online registration
- No player fee (Separate team registration)
- Player must agree to Code of Conduct / Game Rules
- Free Agents welcome (Separate rules apply)

Free Agent definition: A player who is not affiliated with any teams past or present, may play for multiple teams in a league so long as the game line up falls within specified gender rules (Co-Ed). The intention of a Free Agent position is to introduce new members to the BPR Adult Softball League. Free agents may be added to team rosters however, they may not go back to Free Agency if added to a roster.

2.2 Team registration requirements

- All teams MANDATORY online registration
- Team registration must be done by Coach / Captain / Payee
- Team roster must be accurately filled out and submitted on or before March 31st to Bangor Parks & Recreation

2.3 Player Code of Conduct & Expectations (See Page 5-6)

3.0 Fees & Payment

- Team registration fee of \$800 (Payment plan available)
- \$25.00 Down payment due upon team registration
- \$400 Half payment due on March 28th (Auto-pay)
- \$375 Final payment due on April 28th (Auto-pay)
- All payments must be made online with card or in person at Bangor Parks & Recreation with check
- *No refunds will be given once game schedule has been finalized*

4.0 Season timeline

4.1 Registration

- Team and player registration open
- Team registration close
- Roster submission
- Player registration close

4.2 Individual League Schedule

- League game days
 - Men's League - Mondays
 - Church League - Tuesdays
 - Co-Ed A & B League - Wednesdays

4.3 Season Schedule

- Game schedule release - Anticipated 5/6
- *GAME SCHEDULE IS FINAL. NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE EXCEPT FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER. EMAIL BLASTS WILL BE SENT TO TEAMS IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES*
- Game times
 - Game 1 - 6:20PM (Present roster cards to Ump 10 minutes prior)
 - Game 2 - 7:30PM (Present roster cards to Ump 10 minutes prior)
 - Game 3 - 8:30PM (Present roster cards to Ump 10 minutes prior)
 - (There will be no time allowance for late arrivals)
- First game - Anticipated 5/12
- Make-up games - Games for Co-Ed A & B and Men's A & B League will be made-up on the Sunday of the following week. Games for Church League will be made up on the Friday of the following week
- Make-up dates will not be changed due to outside obligations of players
- *PLEASE ANTICIPATE BEING AVAILABLE FOR YOUR MAKEUP GAME DATES - YOU WILL HAVE TEN DAYS NOTIFICATION & ARE EXPECTED TO BE PRESENT FOR MAKE-UP GAMES. IF TEAMS DO NOT EXECUTE MAKEUP GAMES WITHIN THE ANTICIPATED DATE AND DO NOT MAKE FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS WITH BPR TO COMPLETE GAMES IN A TIMELY MANNER, TEAMS MAY BE SUBJECT TO FORFEIT. MAKE-UP GAMES WILL NOT BE PLAYED AT THE END OF SEASON*
- Last game - TBD
- Playoffs - TBD

5.0 Rosters / Player Card

5.1 Team requirements

- Minimum of 9 players
- Must consist of 6 men and 3 women (Co-Ed)
- No more than 7 men per team (Co-Ed)
- A player may not play for more than one team in a league, but may play cross leagues
- If you have enough players to play without forfeiting, you cannot pick up any other players. If you pick up a player to get to a legal number and your regular player shows up, they MUST take the place of the extra and field a team of only your players from your roster. You may pick up 1 to get to 9. (This does not include Free Agents)
- May pick up free agents / substitutions day of with approval from BPR, Opposing team and Ump in Charge

- Leagues for each team will be determined A or B status by previous years game stats by BPR and Softball League Committee
- All teams must be sponsored by a church (s), except for non-church affiliated “fellowship” teams that must be Bangor Parks and Recreation approved. Church sponsors may require a signed statement by a church leader that the church sponsors their team. (CHURCH LEAGUE ONLY)
- Each church team will decide its own player requirements concerning a player’s church association (membership, attendance). (CHURCH LEAGUE ONLY)
- No more than 4 of the teams total players can be non-church associated or “other league” players per team per night. For the season, the number is also 4 and must meet minimum game requirements for playoffs. (CHURCH LEAGUE ONLY)

5.2 Pre-Game Requirements

- Any roster changes require the completion of an add / drop card and approval from BPR
- Ump in Charge will verify players on both team rosters
- Players not on roster will not be eligible for regular season games (Free agent exception applies per case basis)
- Both teams must agree to each others roster cards before game start
- A pre-game moment of silence will be observed for all Church League teams. (CHURCH LEAGUE ONLY)

5.3 In-Game Requirements

- No more than 2 men can bat in a row - will receive an out (Co-Ed)
- Player must play minimum of 1 inning per game to count as qualifying game for play offs and mark on individual player card
- Teams must have a minimum of 3 women on field (Co-Ed)
- Teams are required to retrieve homerun balls - if balls cannot be retrieved the game will stop
- If a game goes past 1 hour, there will not be another inning played (unless the score is tied) No more than 2 innings will be played past the allotted game hour. Extra innings will have last batter starting at second base

6.0 Forfeits

- All teams that need to forfeit a game MUST notify BPR by 4:00PM of game day
- To notify BPR of forfeits the team coach / captain of team forfeiting must send an email to both Karissa Hatch & Randy Dodge AND must call BPR to ensure the notification has been received
Email: karissa.hatch@bangormaine.gov Randy.dodge@bangormaine.gov Phone: (207)-992-4490
- Forfeit games may still be played by present players as a recreational game - it will be a predetermined loss for forfeiting team however, the game will still be umpired and count toward a qualifying playoff game for players who participate
- Any team who forfeits 3 or more games may be subject to penalties or removal from league determined by BPR & Softball League Committee
- Any team who no call / no shows on game day will be subject to penalties and/or umpire fee of \$50 per game determined by BPR & Softball League Committee

7.0 Playoffs & Eligibility

- All teams will make playoffs unless disqualified
- A pre-playoffs meeting will occur weeks prior to playoffs start dates to determine player eligibility for each team - based on rosters / player card records
- Playoff seeding is decided by end of regular season records
- Double elimination play offs (tournament style in discussion)
- Players must have a minimum of 50% of games played to qualify
- Free agents must have a minimum of 50% of game with certain team to play with that individual team in playoffs
- Extenuating circumstances for player replacement will be reviewed on a per case basis by BPR

8.0 Game Rules (See Page 7)

9.0 Responsibilities & Communication

- Coaches / captains are responsible for the following:
 - Expected to be main point of contact for team
 - Relay information from BPR to team
 - Ensure players are registered
 - Announce any forfeits or cancellations to BPR
 - Ensure all players are adhering to program rules and policies
 - Submit and keep ACCURATE player records
- BPR Responsibilities
 - Ensure fields / facilities are ready for all games
 - Ensure games are covered by officials
 - Provide softballs for each game
 - Communicate important information with teams via email blast
 - Schedule all games