

**UTHSCSA**  
**Intramural Co-Recreational Softball Rules**

Important Numbers:

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- 567-2623 - Recreation Booth – Weather Hot Line

1. ASA official softball rules will be followed as closely as possible with certain league rules applied.
2. Six males and four females constitute a co-ed team. If a team must fall below 10 players, there must be a minimum of 3 females and not more than 6 males on the field. However, in the absence of the 4<sup>th</sup> female, a ghost out will be given. Team captains may place the ghost out anywhere in the lineup. When substitutions are made, a female may enter for another female and male but males can only enter for other males.
3. If a male walks, they will advance to second base if a female is batting behind them. If a female follows a male that is walked, they must bat unless there are two outs then they have the option of hitting or walking to first.
4. All batters will start with a one ball and one strike count. Each batter will be allowed one courtesy foul ball after the second strike. Foul balls hit after the courtesy foul will be a strike out.
5. Games are seven innings or 50 minutes in length. The umpire will keep the official time. No innings will start after the 50 minute time frame. Extra innings will be played if the score is tied at the end of the regulation time.
6. One home run per inning is allowed. All other balls hit over the fence in that inning will result in an out. Teams must retrieve the balls hit out of play and over the fence.
7. Out of play lines extend from the backstops to the first pole and run parallel to the foul lines all the way to the outfield fence.
8. All players ejected from a game will not participate in that game and may be ejected from the field area. The ejected player has two minutes to leave the field area if directed so by the umpire.
9. Shoes with metal spikes are not allowed.
10. Teams have five weeks from opening day to add and delete players on their roster. No changes will be made or accepted on rosters after this time.
11. There will be a five minute grace period allowed if the team does not have the minimum amount of players at game time. The official game clock will start at game time. Teams not ready to play after five minutes will have to forfeit.
12. The blood rule is in effect.
13. To become eligible for the playoffs, you must participate in at least 2 games prior to the playoffs.
14. No more than 2 males may bat back to back in the lineup.

All teams will advance to the single elimination playoffs. They will be seeded based on their records during round robin play.

For questions concerning the weather, contact the Student Life Office at 567-5220 or 567-2623.