



INFORMATIONAL PACKET

2026/2027



Tinley Park Rockers

2026–2027 Information Packet

This guide provides detailed information about the Tinley Park Rockers 2026–2027 fastpitch softball season, including team structure, payments, uniforms, practice schedules, and organizational policies

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1. Coaches

2026–2027 Coaches

- 12U – Clayt Wolfe
- 14U – Lou Uhlean
- 16U – Steve Ball
- 18U – Marty Metzger

2. Team Info & Coaching Standards

All Tinley Park Rockers Managers, Coaches, and bench personnel are required to complete the Coaching Certification Test and pass background checks. We will field teams in the 12U, 14U, 16U, and 18U age groups for 2026–2027.

3. Preliminary Tournament Schedule

FALL 2026

All 14U–18U teams will participate in competitive tournaments during September and October, including PGF and college exposure events. Specific tournament selections will be determined by each team's head coach.

WINTER 2026

We will utilize the Midlothian facility (14500 S. Kostner) and Lincoln Way East indoor throughout January and February to prepare high school players for varsity competition and help graduating seniors get ready for collegiate-level play.

SUMMER 2027

All 14U–18U teams will follow a competitive college exposure tournament schedule, with opportunities to attend college-run camps.

In past seasons, our teams have traveled throughout the Midwest and to destinations such as Myrtle Beach, Colorado, Las Vegas, Arizona, Florida, Minnesota, Virginia, Tennessee and Alabama.

4. Payment Schedule

Uniforms are included with yearly dues. Payment breakdowns are as follows:

12U Teams – \$2,800

- Payment #1 – \$600 upon acceptance
- Payment #2 – \$600 due September 15, 2026
- Payment #3 – \$600 due October 15, 2026
- Payment #4 – \$500 due November 15, 2026
- Payment #5 – \$500 due January 15, 2027

14U–18U Teams – \$3,000

- Payment #1 – \$600 upon acceptance
- Payment #2 – \$600 due September 15, 2026
- Payment #3 – \$600 due October 15, 2026
- Payment #4 – \$600 due November 15, 2026
- Payment #5 – \$600 due January 15, 2027

Payment Methods & Discounts

Initial deposit must be made by check, money order, cash, or Zelle upon acceptance.

Future payments can be made by check, Zelle (tinleyparkrockers@outlook.com), or online at www.tinleyparkrockers.com.

No partial payments are allowed.

Missed payments will result in immediate suspension until payment is received.

Full payment by October 15th = \$150 discount.

- **Checks cannot be postdated after October 15th, and the online payment needs to be received by 11:59pm CST on October 15th to receive this discount.**

Full payment with deposit = \$200 discount.

5. Sponsorships

Sponsorships benefit individual players and their teams. The organization does not retain any sponsor funds.

100% of the funds go to the player's dues until fully paid.

After dues are paid:

- 75% of new sponsor funds go toward team needs.
- 25% goes to the team budget for extras (tournaments, hotels, extra practices, etc.).

If you submit a sponsor check, the amount applied toward your player's fees will be deducted from the final scheduled payment. Please note that all regular payments must still be made on time until the sponsorship credit is applied.

6. Fundraising

All families are required to participate in one mandatory

fundraiser: **Rockers Raffle – Sunday, February 21, 2027**

Each player must sell 20 tickets at \$10 each (\$200 total).

Families with multiple players sell a total of 30 tickets.

This is a prepaid fundraiser—families keep the money from sales after paying upfront.

7. Spirit Wear

The Rockers offer a full line of spirit wear for both youth and adults. Spirit wear will be available for purchase twice a year—in the fall and spring—and can be ordered through the online store posted on our website: tinleyparkrockers.com.

8. Uniform Package

Uniform cost includes:

- 3 game jerseys
- 1 practice t-shirt (Breast Cancer jersey)
- 2 pairs of pants
- 2 belts
- 2 pairs of socks (black and gold)
- 1 Rocker practice pullover (logo and player number)
- 1 custom-painted helmet with mask
- 1 bat bag or catcher's bag (if applicable)

9. Covered Costs

Player dues contribute to the following organizational expenses:

- Uniforms and equipment
- Indoor training facility access (Midlothian)
- Tournament fees
- Tournament Director
- Website and webmaster support
- Team Insurance and association registrations (PGF, USSSA, etc.)
- Team equipment (softballs, nets, etc.)
- College exposure camps and hosting
- Umpire fees and field permits (Park Districts and other various facilities)
- Coach and manager pay

10. Practice Information

Winter practices will be held at 14500 S. Kostner, Midlothian, IL.

Includes team practices, practice games, and college-run camps. Weekly indoor hitting sessions will be scheduled.

11. Rules & Policies

- **NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN AT ANY TIME – NO EXCEPTIONS!!**
 - If the athlete chooses to leave or go elsewhere, no refund will be given.
- No player will be allowed to participate in any team activities unless fees are current. **NO EXCEPTIONS**
- All teams must be paid in full by each payment due date or it will impact overall team schedules.
- Each College Exposure team roster will carry 13 paid players.
- No player will be allowed to play for another organization, at any time, while they are a Rocker, unless approved by the head coach.

12. Contact Information

For questions or more information:

Website: www.tinleyparkrockers.com

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