2019 BACK TO THE SRO Softball League Information/Rules

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League fee must be paid before 1st game. Fee is $\frac{$750}{}$.

If there is inclement weather or inclement weather is highly predicted for game nights, Jason Bristlin and/or Dustin Grell, will use their absolute best judgement, to cancel or play. The notice of a cancellation will be posted no later than 5:00, on our SRO Softball Facebook page and the SRO website (backtothesro.com/softball). After games have started we will make the determination to delay, suspend, or cancel if inclement weather arises. Please DO NOT call the bar or league directors prior to 5:00, as all updates will be posted in the sites listed above.

1. The team representative who is present at the pre-game Managers/Umpire meeting, will be the Manager that game. The manager shall be in control of their respective team at all times, and monitor such items like, having team ready at game time, having 1 on deck batter, substitutions, approved equipment, ect. It is also suggested that all Managers keep their players within the confines of the dug outs to ensure the players are ready to bat or take the field. All are time saving measures. When situations arise, the Manager is who the umpire will look for.

2.Games will have a 10 minute grace period. If both teams have 9 players present at game time, the umpire will start the game. If grace period is used, that time will be deducted from the 60 minute game time. If team does not have 9 players after the 10 minute grace period has expired, game will result in a forfeit.

3. Length of game is 7 innings or 60 minutes. No new innings after 55 minutes.

4. If game ends in a tie you may play 1 extra 1 pitch inning to try and break the tie, if within the 60 minute game time.

5. There is no cap on courtesy runners used per $\frac{1}{2}$ inning. If a batter/runner is on base as a courtesy runner, and their spot in the batting order comes up, they are rulled out on the bases, ut may take their turn at bat.

6. Run Rule – 20 after 3 innings, 15 after 4 innings and 10 after 5 innings.

7. A 3-2 count will be used with NO Courtesy foul.

8. There will be a forfeit fine of \$25/game forfeited. The fine must be paid in full prior to participating any future games. If there is a need to forfeit a game for any reason, please speak with League Director(s) with as much notice as possible.

9. Smoking and alcohol is not permitted anywhere on the field during the game.

10. Team must show up at the field unless the 2 teams playing have notified each other and/or League Director(s).

11. No Metal Cleats!

12. All participants in this league do so at their own risk. The league and bar accepts no responsibility for injury, missing or lost items, etc.

13. Unsportsmanlike conduct will be called at umpires judgment. If such violation occurs umpire may elect player(s) dismissed from game(s) or game stops and forfeit win is awarded to the opposing team. Player(s) dismissed from games are subject to suspension and/or removal from the league at League Director(s) discretion. All umpire calls are Final!!

14. Pitch arc will be defined as: A 6ft minimum, 10ft maximum, with a perceptible arc. USA rules.

15. Pitchers are allowed 3 warm up pitches before the game and 1 between innings. Pitchers must have at least one foot on pitching rubber upon release.

16. 4 home runs per game will be allowed during league play. Any home runs after the allotted 4 is an out. You hit them, you get them!!!!

17. Bat requirements – Bats with a new stamped USSSA and/or new stamped USA logo are allowed for use. No old stamped bats will be allowed. If a non-legal bat is used, the batted ball will be deemed an out. Non new stamped bats will be removed from the game, if it's deemed a bat that has been removed from the game is used after being removed, the manager will be ejected from the game. A second offense will be subject for removal from the league at League Director(s) discretion.

18. NO Fighting – Any fighting will be subject to removal from the league.

ABSOLUTELY NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED ON BAR GROUNDS. THIS INCLUDES PARKING LOT, SOFTBALL FIELDS, ETC. VIOLATERS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE LEAGUE WITH NO REFUND.