

## E.G.A.L.S. RULES

1. We will be playing by Ontario Amateur Softball Association (OASA) and Softball Canada rules.
2. Ladies must be 18 years of age and older to play.
3. No player can be a member of another softball league if it conflicts with our regular scheduled season.
4. Once you are a registered player, no refund will be granted without a medical certificate. Registration fee is reduced to 50% of registration fee after 8 regular season games.
5. Pregnancy Rule: When the Executive is notified a player is pregnant, the player must renege her playing privileges.
6. No steel cleats. Jewellery at umpires discretion.
7. Games proceed with 8 players. Minimum 7 regular team players, maximum 2 spares. Not to exceed 10 players including spares.
8. Late comers: No one can play ball after the batting order has been completed once.
9. Each player can rotate in and out alternate innings but no player is to sit out 2 consecutive innings except by choice.
10. Helmets must be worn at bat and while running bases. If a player sustains a head injury during a game, the player will need to sit the rest of the game out.
11. Stealing is allowed after the ball leaves the pitcher's hand.
12. Mercy rule: 5 runs per inning and the last inning is open. No new inning can be started after 1 hour and 30 minutes of play. 5 innings constitute a game.
13. All players must show up at the diamond regardless of weather conditions. The umpire will decide whether a game is to be played. Any 'no-show' will constitute a forfeit. In the event of a rained out game, it will be played at a later date.
14. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES allowed on the diamond, in the dug out or on the grounds while playing ball. The umpire has the authority to eject anyone suspected of drinking.
15. NO smoking allowed on the diamond.
16. A safety bag will be used at 1<sup>st</sup> base.
17. ROVER RULE: Any team with 10 or more players present will be allowed to use one outfield rover (outfield being on the green). SUBS: Calling a sub for the 10<sup>th</sup> player is permitted in order to have a rover (not to exceed the spare limit as in rule #7)
18. If your team player arrives, spares may still play. All spares must be placed at the bottom of the batting order, take part in sitting rotation and may not play their regular season position(s). \*Spare may not pitch or catch.
19. COURTESY RULE: A courtesy phone call must be made to your Captain if you are going to miss a game. The call must be made at least 2 hours prior to a game in order to enable the Captain time to obtain a substitute player. If 3 consecutive games are missed without a courtesy phone call, you will be asked to renege your position and your registration fee will not be refunded.
20. Games require only one umpire with the exception championship games.
21. If a non-registered player wishes to spare they must sign a waiver. A \$5 fee per game will be charged with a maximum of 3 games. Anyone sparing more than 3 games will be required to pay the registration fee on a pro rated basis.
22. To eliminate the throwing of bats and to speed up the game, the person in the on deck circle is required to retrieve the bat as a courtesy.
23. Sport-person like conduct must be maintained at all times, especially when one team has a significant lead.