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Marshalltown Parks & Recreation

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2015 Registration Packet

Women's Recreational 11" Slow Pitch League

Cost: \$525.00 (Includes 20 player fees. Additional players are \$10.00 per player)

League Registration Day

Saturday, April 25, 2015, 9:00 – 11:00 A.M. Parks & Recreation Office

This league is offered for the recreational player and is characterized by the following:

- 1. League season will consist of 12 games.
- 2. The 2015 A.S.A. 11" rules will be used with those changes agreed upon by the league.
- 3. Each team should have like jerseys with at least 6" high numbers on the back. Uniforms shall be in good taste and no obscene or objectionable illustration or lettering allowed.
- 4. This league is open to any female who is at least 18 years old.
- 5. The regular season will begin the week of May 18, 2015.
- 6. League games will be scheduled on Monday and Wednesday nights.
- 7. There will be two divisions this year (A & B) providing we have enough teams in each division. You will declare your division by indicating on the roster form.
 - Remember: The top two teams and ties from division A in 2014 must move up one division in 2015. 50% of your roster from the previous year will be considered the same team. Please put your team in the appropriate division.

Registration Procedure:

ROSTER MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL! NO EXCEPTIONS!

If the roster is not completed, it will not be accepted and your team will not be able to participate until the completed roster is turned in.

- A complete, clearly legible, roster needs the following:
 - A. Name of team, League and division playing
 - B. Name, address, home/work numbers and email for the team manager(s). Both should be easily reached during the day.
 - C. Name, full address and phone number of each player on the team (minimum of 8 players). Each player must read the liability form and sign the roster. The player's spouse (if applicable) must also sign. If a player cannot sign the roster he/she may sign a separate liability release form. The player is required to sign one or the other, not both. A new waiver needs to be signed each year for softball. Waivers are valid from April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016.

- D. Each additional player over the 20 player fees included is required to contribute \$10.00 to the Marshalltown Softball Association to assist in paying for continued capital improvements at the complex (i.e. restrooms, play equipment etc.).
- E. Failure of a player to sign roster or waiver and pay the \$10.00 contribution, if applicable, will result in that player being declared ineligible until all obligations are met. A team playing with an ineligible player will forfeit any games played with said player.

Cost Breakdown for the 2015 Season:

Umpire \$12.50/game/team X 12 games		\$150.00
Scorekeepers \$4.00/game/team x 12 gar	nes	\$48.00
Administration Fee*		\$271.63
Iowa Sales Tax on above Items (7%)		\$32.87
A.S.A. Sanction Fee		<u>\$22.50</u>
	Total Cost	\$525.00

There will be a \$25.00 late fee for anyone paying after April 25, 2015. No registrations/rosters will be accepted later than May 1, 2015. Schedules will be available May 8, 2015.

You are welcome to play in more than one league but not in two divisions of the same league. For example: Someone may play Friday night Co-ed, 16-inch and 14-inch but not in the "B1" Division *and* "B2" Division for 14-inch. A player may play in both Tuesday and Thursday 16-inch leagues. If a player plays on more than one team and a scheduling conflict arises, the player will have to choose. We will not reschedule games for this reason.

To avoid the late fee, bring the completed roster, registration fee, \$10.00 player fees, if any, and any signed liability release forms to the Parks & Recreation office before League Registration Day. We recommend one check made out for the total amount. Make check payable to "Marshalltown Parks & Recreation".

No practice allowed on the complex prior to the start of league play. You run the risk of being cited for trespassing during this time.

*The Administration fee is charged to help offset costs of running the league. These costs include but are not limited to lighting, rain line fees, chalk, bases, scorekeeper supplies, player fees, field maintenance, and league supervision. This fee helps maintain quality playing areas without increasing taxes on the rest of the community. Also included are printing, scheduling and office administration costs.

We are required by the state to collect 7% sales tax on league fees.

Visa, MasterCard and AMEX are accepted.

2015 Women's Recreational Slow Pitch 11" League Rules

1. This league is intended to provide an enjoyable recreational experience. It is the responsibility of each league member to maintain good sportsmanship. The Parks and Recreation Department will take whatever action necessary to ensure that an individual's conduct does not jeopardize the right of others in having an enjoyable recreational experience. Poor sportsmanship by teams, spectators or individuals will not be tolerated. The game umpires or scorekeeper may file an unsportsmanlike conduct charge to the Parks and Recreation Department office. Each incident will be handled individually with possible discipline ranging from three games to one calendar year suspension.

2. At no time shall an umpire be threatened while on city property. Incidents of this nature will receive maximum discipline.

3. An individual ejected from a game will automatically receive a three game suspension, be put on probation in all leagues for the remainder of the season and will sit out the next three scheduled league games of that division. If ejected while on probation, you will receive a one calendar year suspension from all Parks and Recreation softball programs. The suspended individual may appeal the suspension to the M.S.A. board. The M.S.A. board meets the first Tuesday of the month. No special meetings will be scheduled to review suspension appeals. The M.S.A. board reserves the right to increase the suspension depending on the severity of the situation. Failure to sit out the required games will result in an automatic forfeiture of any game the suspended player played in and the player will automatically be suspended for one calendar year.

4. The official team roster will be maintained at the Parks and Recreation office. A person is considered a team member when his/her name with required information is placed on the roster and \$10.00 player fee, if applicable, is paid. Roster additions can be made all season but must be made during regular office hours: 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. All players must be 18 years old. Players cannot be removed from the roster after the team's first league game. Players can then only be transferred from your team to another team within the same league.

5. MSA/CITY POLICY: Any team or player owing the Parks and Recreation Department, Marshalltown Softball Association or A.S.A. money will not be allowed to play in any Parks and Recreation program until the debt, and all related charges, is paid in full. This includes each player on a team's roster if it is a team debt.

6. ONE TRANSFER PER SEASON WILL BE ALLOWED PER PLAYER IN A LEAGUE.

A manager or sponsor cannot block a transfer of a player form one team to another. As a courtesy the player should inform his manager that he is transferring to another team. There is no cutoff for transfers for league play.

7. All games will start at the scheduled time. There is no allowance. The official time at the complex is the clock located above the concession windows. Players and Umpires shall set their watches to these times.

8. Each team shall have their lineup turned in to the scorekeeper <u>FIVE MINUTES BEFORE SCHEDULED GAME TIME</u>. A team playing a double header has five minutes to turn in their roster for their second game after the finish of their first game. If the lineup is not in on time <u>A FORFEIT WILL BE CALLED</u>. See Rule 6 for official time.

9. No infield warm up will be allowed prior to the pitchers warm up period. This includes teams playing the first games. No around the horn or warm up pitches between outs or between innings is allowed to speed up the game.

10. Each batter will start their at bat with a 1-1 count and receive one courtesy foul ball (with two strikes against them) during the duration of the at bat. If the batter hits a foul ball after their courtesy foul ball the result is a strike out and the batter is out.

11. A game will end when one team is leading by 20 runs after 3 innings or by 15 runs after 4 innings or by 10 runs after 5 innings. In case of rain 4 innings will be a complete game. All divisions will have one hour and five minutes to complete 7 innings of play. After 1:05 is up no new inning may start. The existing inning may be finished. The start time will be noted on the score sheet.

12. After a run rule or forfeit is called the game may continue for the fun of it if both teams agree. If a forfeit is called the umpires & scorekeeper will not work the practice that follows.

13. The team listed last is the home team. Each team must provide their own balls to hit when they are at bat. The league ball is the DeBeer Dyna Core TP11 or the Dudley GWSP-47 Red Thunder. A ball must be thrown to the opposing pitcher within 10 seconds of the game ball going out of play or a strike will be called on the batter. The plate umpire has the final say on fitness of the provided ball. The ball in play may be exchanged between batters as long as this does not delay normal progress of the game (umpires judgment).

14. The Parks and Recreation Dept. will assign the official scorer. His/her book is official.

15. Protests must be filed according to the official ASA softball rules. The Parks and Recreation Dept. requires that a \$15.00 protest fee be given to the umpire at the time of a protest and an official written protest (form provided in score shed) must be given to the umpire before leaving the area. If a protest is won the \$15.00 will be refunded. If the protest is lost the money will be deposited into the MSA account.

16. Free substitution will be used with the following restrictions:

- A. A person may re-enter the game only at the beginning of that team's defensive half of the inning. Re-entries <u>must</u> be in the same spot as originally in the batting order. A player cannot move up or down the order.
- B. A person may not enter the game until the manager reports the change to the scorer.

17. All league players are restricted to sport shoes or A.S.A. approved shoe with rubber cleats.

18. A courtesy substitute who has previously been in the game may be used in case of injury or illness if agreed on by both managers. In case of disagreements the final decision to allow the courtesy re-entry is left up to the plate umpire.

19. A team may begin or end a game with 8 players, but not less than 8. Less than 8 will constitute a forfeit. All players on the lineup must be in the dugout or on the field when the game starts.

20. The use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on the field. Profane language will not be tolerated. Penalty for the player(s) in violation will be ejection (3 games). If the umpire can hear profanity, the player will be ejected. The player must be replaced by legal substitutes or the game is a forfeit. IOWA A.S.A.CASUAL PROFANITY/SPORTSMANSHIP RULES WILL BE USED.

21. A person can play for only one 11-inch women's team. You may also play on a Friday co-ed team.

22. A runner may lead off any base with the risk of being picked off by a throw from the pitcher or catcher. If a throw results in an overthrow or blocked ball, no runners may advance. Any runner advancing on a pitch not batted is in jeopardy to be put out if tagged before returning to their original base (2015 ASA Rule 8 4 K).

23. All other rules shall be covered by the official ASA rules 2015 edition. The Extra Player rule (EP) will be enforced as written. The EP must be used the entire game and must remain in the same position in the batting order. The EP may be substituted for by a player who has not been in the game. If you use the EP you must start with 11 players and ASA substitution rules will be used (free substitution cannot be used). The game may be finished with 11 players but not less than 8. If you start with 11 players and fall below 11, outs will be taken in the batting position of the missing players. Ejected players must be replaced or you will forfeit the game.

24. If the storm/tornado sirens sound during your game the game will be immediately suspended and continued at a later date. The rest of the games that night will also be canceled and made up at a later date. When the siren sounds take cover. Do not stay at the diamonds. In case of lightning games will be suspended and re-started <u>IF</u> the lightning clears.

25. <u>League Classification</u>: Top two teams (and all ties) in the A division are required to play up one division the following season. 50% of the roster from the previous year will be considered the same team for enforcement of this rule.

26. On rainy days the decision to play or cancel will be made by 3:00 P.M. if possible. If we cancel, the radio stations will be contacted and the managers will be called with the reschedule date. If it rains after 5:00 p.m. the umpire at your field will make the decision to play or not. If games are canceled after 5:00 p.m. managers will not be called, everyone is responsible to check the rain line or send someone to the fields.

27. All over the fence home runs are "walk off home runs" (Rule 8, Section 3 I). For speed of play, the batter and all base runners shall not run the bases. The team will be credited with all the runs associated with the hit. Failure to comply may result in a team out (Iowa ASA Unsportsmanlike "Team Out" Rule) at the umpire's discretion.

28. Parks & Recreation will make every possible attempt to make up games cancelled due to poor weather conditions. However, refunds may not be given if games cannot be rescheduled due to diamond availability, acts of God and poor weather conditions.

CALL THE RAINLINE: 754-5779 (NOT THE P&R OFFICE) FOR CURRENT GAME INFORMATION.

PLEASE DO NOT CARRY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INTO THE COMPLEX. 22 CENTS OUT OF EVERY DOLLAR SPENT AT THE CONCESSION STAND COMES BACK TO THE COMPLEX IN THE FORM OF IMPROVEMENTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

The Marshalltown Softball Association and Parks & Recreation Department are not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Any damage caused to City / M.S.A. property shall be repaired at the expense of the adult that caused the damage or the parent or guardian of a minor causing damage. The adult will be suspended from league play until payment is made.

NO PETS ALLOWED AT THE COMPLEX!

Marshalltown Parks & Recreation Department Adult Waiver, Release and Hold Harmless Form And Medical Authorization

Each of the undersigned, being an individual of legal age and under no legal disability, who is severally or jointly engaging in, or about to engage in or observe, an activity sponsored or co-sponsored by Marshalltown Parks & Recreation Department, Marshalltown, Iowa, and/or that person's spouse, if applicable, in partial consideration of Marshalltown Parks & Recreation Department's furnishing grounds or facilities for an activity, do hereby waive, release, hold harmless, acquit and forever discharge the City of Marshalltown, Iowa, its Parks & Recreation Department and its officers, employees, volunteers or agents from any and all liability arising out my of, or my spouse's, participation of any activity, including injury while participating in or observing the activity, including any injury while on the premises immediately before or after the activity and including, but not limited to, actions for negligence. I (we) further agree:

1. That this release, waiver, hold harmless agreement and medical authorization covers all injuries and damages, whether known or not and which may be discovered at any time in the future, all related to the activities mentioned herein.

2. That it is understood that no sum of money shall be received for any claim for such injury, no promise for any further consideration has been made by anyone.

3. That this release, waiver and hold harmless agreement is executed in reliance upon our knowledge, belief and judgment, and not upon any representations made by any person released, or others on his or her behalf.

4. That this release, waiver, and agreement to hold harmless covers participation by the undersigned in any individual activity, or any activity during a league or organization year for such activity. The release, waiver and agreement to hold harmless is for activities engaged, participated in and/or observed from April 1, 20____ to March 31 of the following year.

5. This release, waiver and agreement to hold harmless covers all claims mentioned above, including, but not limited to, claims based upon improper design, construction or maintenance of grounds or facilities provided for the athletic activity.

6. I/We further recognize and agree that as participants or observers I/we shall bear the full responsibility of any loss or theft of personal items while engaging, participating, or observing in these activities.

7. I/we also release any photographs, videos, or both taken during the activity to be used by the City of Marshalltown for advertisements, training, or other purposes.

8. I certify that I have had a physical examination and am physically able to participate in this activity.

9. In the event of injury or illness, I hereby give my consent for medical treatment, and permission to program staff for supervising and performing, as deemed necessary by staff, on-site first aid for minor injuries, and for a licensed physician to hospitalize and secure property treatment (including injections, anesthesia, surgery, or other reasonable and necessary medical or surgical procedures) for me or my participant or observing spouse, if I am unable to provide that consent directly at the time, for any reason.

I agree to assume all costs related to any such medical or surgical treatment. I also authorize the disclosure of medical information to my insurance company for the purpose of this claim.

THAT WE AND EACH OF US HAVE READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE, AND UNDERSTOOD ITS TERMS, AND FREELY VOLUNTARILY SIGN THE SAME. (Words and phrases herein shall be construed as in the singular or plural number, and as masculine, feminine or neuter gender, according to the context.)

IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS DETERMINED TO BE LEGALLY UNENFORCEABLE FOR ANY REASON, THEN IT IS THE MUTUAL INTENT OF THE PARTIES THAT THE REMAINDER OF THE AGREEMENT SHALL BE ENFORCEABLE.

Are you married? _____ If yes, the spouse must also sign this form.

The following information is required:					
Participant Name (PRINT):					
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Phone Number					
Participant		Spouse			
Signature	Date	Signature	Date:		
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Marshalltown Parks & Recreation Department LEAGUE ROSTER/LIABILTY RELEASE

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ADULT WAIVER, RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION FORM

Each of the undersigned, being an individual of legal age and under no legal disability, who is severally or jointly engaging in, or about to engage in or observe, an activity sponsored or co-sponsored by Marshalltown Parks & Recreation Department, Marshalltown, Iowa, and/or that person's spouse, if applicable, in partial consideration of Marshalltown Parks & Recreation Department's furnishing grounds or facilities for an activity, do hereby waive, release, hold harmless, acquit and forever discharge the City of Marshalltown, Iowa, its Parks & Recreation Department and its officers, employees, volunteers or agents from any and all liability arising out my of, or my spouse's, participation of any activity, including injury while participating in or observing the activity, including any injury while on the premises immediately before or after the activity and including, but not limited to, actions for negligence. I (we) further agree:

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THAT WE AND EACH OF US HAVE READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE, AND UNDERSTOOD ITS TERMS, AND FREELY VOLUNTARILY SIGN THE SAME. (Words and phrases herein shall be construed as in the singular or plural number, and as masculine, feminine or neuter gender, according to the context.) IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS DETERMINED TO BE LEGALLY UNENFORCEABLE FOR ANY REASON, THEN IT IS THE MUTUAL INTENT OF THE PARTIES THAT THE REMAINDER OF THE AGREEMENT SHALL BE ENFORCEABLE.

**** PLEASE HAVE EACH PLAYER ON YOUR TEAM SIGN THE ROSTER. IF MARRIED, SPOUSE SIGNATURE IS ALSO REQUIRED. NEW OR ADDITIONAL PLAYERS MAY BE ADDED AT A LATER DATE IN THE SAME MANNER OR BY USING THE INDIVIDUAL WAIVER FORM AND THEN ADDING THE NAME TO THE ROSTER.

LEAGUE ROSTER MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL! SEE EXAMPLE BELOW

Name [Print]	Name (Sign)	Spouse Signature	Street, City, Zip	Phone #
John Smith	John Smith	Sally Smith	123 First Street Marshalltum IA 50158	641-555-1234

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