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### Adult Softball Leagues - CoVid 19 Guidelines

The City of Livonia Parks and Recreation REOPP follows Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Michigan Department of Health and Humans Services (MDHHS) guidelines, Wayne County Department of Health, Human and Veteran Services (WCDHHS) and federal OSHA standards related to COVID-19.

#### Summer 2020 Adult Softball League Guidelines

1. All spectator, umpires, and players are encouraged to wear masks.
2. Attendees are encouraged to park in every other spot to encourage social distancing.
3. The catcher must honor social distancing from the batter and the umpire.
4. **No food and seeds are allowed within the dugout or team's fence line area at any time before, during, or after the game.**
5. **Players are not allowed on the field to argue or disagree with a call.**
6. Teams are discouraged to share equipment and responsible for the sanitation of their own equipment.
7. **Any spectators attending a softball game must stay in the outfield, outside the fence lines, and must maintain social distancing.**
8. Incoming teams must warm-up in their designated warm-up area prior to the game and must wait until the dugout area and fence line have been sanitized prior to entering.
  - a. Incoming teams may enter the field through the outfield gates if they wish to continue warming up once all players from the previous game have exited the field of play.
9. Incoming teams cannot report to their designated warm-up areas until 30 minutes prior to their scheduled start time to encourage proper social distancing.
10. **Each dugout will be allowed a maximum of three players in the dugout at a time.**
  - a. **All other players must be lined up behind the or along the fence line or at least six feet apart from each other.**
  - b. **Areas will be marked within dugout and fence area for players to properly social distance.**
11. **All players must maintain six feet social distancing when not in the field of play.**
12. **Anyone not abiding by social distancing rules or entering the field of play when they are not supposed to be will be asked to leave the premises immediately in addition to being suspended for the next scheduled game.**

- a. Anyone coming onto the field of play for a sub runner or an injury must be waived on by the umpire prior to entering.**
13. Payment of umpires will have with exactly 15 dollars from each team directly to the umpire prior to the start of each game.
  14. Games will have a time limit of 70 minutes from the first pitch. Start times will be staggered by 15 minutes to avoid large crowds.
  15. There will be 15 minutes between games for proper sanitation of dugouts, common areas, and high touch areas by Livonia Parks & Recreation staff.
  16. Each team will be provided with three game balls sanitized & provided by Livonia Parks & Recreation
    - a. These balls are for game use only and to be used to replace balls that go out of play (foul balls, home runs, etc.)
    - b. These balls must stay with the individual team for the entirety of that game and will be switched with sanitized balls at the end of each game.
  17. Any ball that goes out of play will be retrieved by Livonia Parks & Recreation staff and sanitized before returned to the defending team.
  18. Pitchers will receive a maximum of three warm-up pitches between innings
  19. Upon completion of the game, teams have five minutes to vacate the dugout and fence line area for the areas to be sanitized and prepared prior to the next game.
  - 20. Teams will not be allowed to congregate around the dugout area before, during, or after games.**
    - a. If they wish to congregate, they must find a space away from the ball diamonds which allows them to appropriately follow social distancing.**
  21. Teams are discouraged from exchanging any high fives or congratulatory contact.
  22. If a mercy happens, both teams must agree to start the game early, provided all common areas have been sanitized.

All teams are expected to abide by these above guidelines for the Summer 2020 season.

Sincerely,

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