

GEMSA Competitive Division

2025 Season – League Play – U17/U19



2025: GEMSA U17/U19 Competitive Division

This division will be made up of A/B teams to follow the same format that Softball Alberta will be using for the 2025 season.

- There will be an opening weekend Kick-Off Tournament **May 2nd, 3rd, 4th**. Games will count towards season standings.
- Each team will play one game per week (**Game nights will be Tuesday or Wednesday**).
- Weekday games will commence tentatively May 5th, 2025 and will end tentative June 17th, 2025.
- Season will consist of 4 to 6 Kickoff games, 8 League games, GEMSA Championship Weekend min 3 games (this is all dependent on weather and other factors that may arise).
- Each team will be required to supply a “Home Diamond” to GEMSA for their team’s home games to be played on. Home diamonds are required to be fenced. Each team will receive approx. 4 home games.
- All teams will be expected to participate in GEMSA Finals Weekend, finals weekend is currently scheduled for June 21st to June 23rd, 2025, in Leduc.
- \$200 per game no-show/forfeit fee to cover the cost of the game and potential makeup if a team no shows or does not have 8 players to start a game. GEMSA needs to be notified of any rescheduled games. If there is no notification BOTH Teams will be charged \$200.00.

League Rules:

- Games will be played under Softball Canada Rules unless otherwise stated.
- Kick-Off Tournament weekend games will have a no new inning start after 1:30 hour time limit with a 1:45 hour drop dead
- Weekday games will be completed when either,
 - 7 innings have been completed **OR**
 - 2 hour time limit has elapsed, no new inning starts.
- Games will have no mercy rules in effect.
- There will be **7** run rule max per half inning.
- Unlimited Defensive Substitutions. Teams will bat their full Rosters.
- Metal Cleats will be allowed.

GEMSA will be presenting a final set of rules before the beginning of the season.

GEMSA Finals (Tentative Format):

- Depending on the number of teams (Min 8) teams may be split into 2 groups (Comp A and Comp B).
- Each team will play a 3-game Round Robin (Friday and Saturday) and teams will be “seeded” into a single elimination knockout tournament (Sunday) to decide Gold and Silver.
- League final games will have a 1:30 hour time limit.

Registration

- Registration Costs: **\$1100.00/team**.
Your Costs include:
 - Cost of Umpires
 - Cost includes Tiering Tournament
 - Additional Costs (Administrative/Awards/Advertising/Website)
- Registration Deadline is **March 1st, 2025**.