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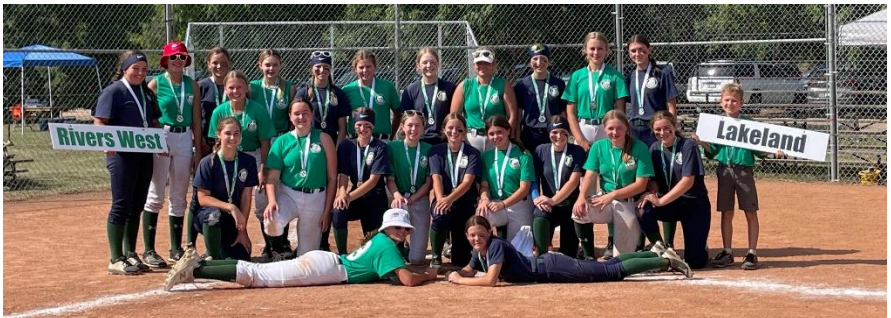
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to welcome all our members to the 2023 softball season. We are very fortunate in Saskatchewan that the sport of softball is played in every part of the province. I'm happy to say that our membership numbers in 2022

were back above those of pre-covid 2019 numbers. This is really a tribute to all our associations and leagues who work tremendously hard to promote, recruit and retain all those who participate in our sport.

We are excited to be continuing with the second year of our marketing campaign in effort to help promote awareness, create interest as well as increase participation in our sport. The campaign includes television, radio, social media platforms, digital outdoor (billboards) and digital audio (Spotify) and will begin in mid-February and run through April.

In 2023 there will be three Canadian Championships hosted in the province with the U15 Boys in Prince Albert along with the U17 Girls and U23 Men's in Saskatoon. Regina will also host the U19 Women's Western Canadians. I would like to thank all those who help to make these championships possible and successful.

Volunteers are truly the backbone of our sport. We thank all those who help to organize softball in their communities whether it be taking on a role within their local executive or by coaching/managing a team. Softball cannot survive without volunteers and recruitment of new people is critical to help ensure the successful operation of local associations and leagues. Keep up the great work and keep on the lookout for recruiting new people to help your organization.

Best of luck to everyone on a very successful 2023 softball season.



Gary MacDonald
President

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

February 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Transfer Deadline for U17 'AA' Girls, U19 'AA' Women's or U20 'Open' Men's players • Inter-Provincial Transfer Deadline for U17 Girls, U19 Women's and U20 Men's players
March 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inter-Provincial Transfer Deadline for U13 and U15 Boys and Girls players
April 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline for Board of Director Nominations
April 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Transfer Deadline for U19 AW & B, U17 AW & B, U15 AA, AW & B, U13 AA, A & B Girls and U17, U15 and U13 Open Boys
April 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023 Softball Saskatchewan Annual General Meeting. Being held virtually
May 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affiliation Deadline (Minor) • Provincial Championship Entry Deadline for ONLY those categories that lead to a Canadian Championship ('AA' Categories)
June 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affiliation Deadline (Adult) • Provincial Championship Deadline for all categories NOT leading to Canadians • Minor Provincial Roster Deadline (4PM)
June 15	Adult Provincial Roster Deadline (4PM)
September 1	Softball Saskatchewan Hall of Fame Nomination Deadline
October 1	Awards Program Nomination Deadline
October 28	Semi-Annual Meeting & Awards Luncheon - Regina
November 1	Deadline for Bid to Host 2024 Provincial Championships



FASTPITCH OPERATING RULES

Article 1: General

1. Softball Saskatchewan uses the Softball Canada Official Guide and Rule book for its interpretation in playing the game of softball. Modifications to the official rules as stated herein take precedence over those in the Softball Canada Rule Book. Specific league rulings take precedent for league play regarding:
 - i. Game variances, the use of batting, running, pitching, etc.
2. All affiliated leagues, associations, and teams will have complete charge over their own operations and business, except:
 - i. In the case of a dispute, where any affiliated league, association, or team, shall have the privilege of appealing to Softball Saskatchewan in writing, through their respective league or association, following the Softball Saskatchewan Appeal Policy.
 - ii. In the case of Provincial Championships, which are governed by Softball Saskatchewan.

Article 2: Definitions

- A. **Association:** A group of volunteers, whether incorporated as a non-profit corporation or not, organized to administer the operation of softball within the province of Saskatchewan and in accordance with the bylaws and operating rules of Softball Saskatchewan. The group will be administering softball within a center or a district. Associations that apply for membership will have all rights allotted by Softball Saskatchewan. A softball association may have players registered with it in one or more recognized division or category and may operate one or more teams. Softball associations must pay the annual \$50.00 association/league membership fee to be recognized as an association. All teams in an association must have common signing officers for the purpose of registration and releases and provide this information to the Executive Director of Softball Saskatchewan. Any changes in the officers of an association set up must be forwarded to the Executive Director of Softball Saskatchewan as they occur. Softball will only recognize one (1) minor softball association for each city, town, or village.

- B. **League:** A combination of teams affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan through their respective associations or with affiliated with another province who compete among themselves based on a regular schedule of games established by an elected or appointed group of individuals affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan. Associations and Leagues that apply for membership will have all rights allotted by Softball Saskatchewan and pay the \$50.00 membership fee. Leagues must also have a least four (4) teams and a league executive to be eligible for membership.
- C. **Teams:** All minor teams must be affiliated with a local minor association. Individual adult teams must demonstrate that no association or league exists in their center and/or district to be accepted and approved for membership. Teams that are accepted for membership will have all rights allotted by Softball Saskatchewan and the privilege to apply to register for Provincial Championships.
- D. **Center:** For minor Softball only - any city, town, village incorporated, as defined by the Department of Urban Affairs, and listed in the most recent Municipal Directory and which had a minor softball association affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan the previous season.
- E. **Non-Center:** For minor softball only, any city, town, or village incorporated, as defined by the Department of Urban Affairs, and listed in the most recent Municipal Directory and which did not have a minor softball association affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan the previous season.
- F. **Age Divisions:** Masters (40+ male, 35+ female), Men's & Women's (Male & Female), U23 Men's & Women's (Canadians) and Minor (includes both male and female) in the following age categories: U20 male, U19 female, U17, U15, U13, U11 and U9/U7/U5 (Timbits Softball).
- G. **Provincial Championship Categories:** Minor Girls - AA, AW, A & B, Minor Boys – Open, Adult – A, Open & Masters.
- H. **Umpire Associations:** Will qualify for membership into Softball Saskatchewan if they have five (5) or more registered umpires in their association.

Section 1: General

- A. Players and coaches registered on a team with the Association must be residents of Saskatchewan as of **May 1st** of the current playing year. Players and coaches that are not Canadian citizens may participate in a Provincial Championship if they have been CONTINUOUS residents of Saskatchewan for one (1) calendar year prior to the Provincial Championship registration deadline date (June 1st) and meet all other residency requirements. Players and coaches registered on teams in categories which lead to a Canadian Championship must adhere to the Softball Canada Residency Rule of May 1st.
- B. An urban player is defined as any player who lives within the corporate limits of any city, town, village, or hamlet. The street address must be supplied.
- C. **Google Maps using numbered roads will be used in determining a player's primary residence. Rural players must use the legal land description of the home quarter (P.O. Box numbers and sites are not acceptable). The most recent statistics Canada census numbers will be used to determine population.**
- D. For minor softball registration purposes, the address for players from the center/non-center shall be the address of the player's parent(s) and/or the address of the person who is in loco parentis of the player within the district. Postal addresses (i.e., post box number or sites) are not acceptable. They must list the center/non-center they reside nearest to or reside in within the district.
- E. For minor softball registration purposes, the address from rural areas shall be the center/non-center closest to the residence of the player's parent(s) and/or the person who is in loco parentis of the player within the district.
- F. For adult softball registration purposes, the address shall be the player's place of residence.

- G. For adult softball registration purposes, the address for players from rural areas shall be the center closest to the player's place of residence.
- H. A player living in the rural area shall determine the closest center/non-center by a straight line between the closest point of the center/non-center city/town/village limits to the closest point to the quarter section or acreage on which the said residence is located.

Section 2: Dual Residency Regulations

- A. It shall be the obligation/responsibility of Softball Saskatchewan, in their sole and unfettered discretion to implement residency affiliation and registration regulations for the formation of teams.
- B. Minor players must register in the district where their parent(s)/court appointed guardian(s) reside.
- C. Residence is established by:
 - i. The parent's usual residence when parent's live in the same house, or if one of the parent's is deceased, the usual residence of the surviving parent.
 - ii. In cases where parents do not live in the same residence, the legal residence is the usual residence of the parent having legal custody of the player; OR, if both parents have legal custody, the usual residence of the parent with whom the player usually lives; OR again, if the player lives equally with both parents, his/her place of residence shall be determined by Softball Saskatchewan.
- D. When legal custody has been granted to a third person, the usual residence shall be determined by Softball Saskatchewan. The term "usual residence" is defined as four (4) out of seven (7) days.

Rule 2: AGE CLASSIFICATION (MALE & FEMALE)

All ages prior to January 1 of the current playing year.

Timbits

Under 5- Male/Female	Born in 2018, 2019
Under 7- Male/Female	Born in 2016, 2017
Under 9- Male/Female	Born in 2014, 2015

Minor

Under 11- Male/Female	Born in 2012, 2013
Under 13- Male/Female	Born in 2010, 2011
Under 15- Male/Female	Born in 2008, 2009
Under 17- Male/Female	Born in 2006, 2007
Under 19- Female	Born in 2005, 2004
Under 20- Male	Born in 2003, 2004, 2005

Adult

Under 23- Men's	Born in 2000, 2001, 2002
Under 23- Women's	Born in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003
Master Women's Fastpitch	35 during the current year
Master Men's Fastpitch	40 during the current year

Rule 3: PROOF OF AGE

If not previously registered, all the players must submit proof of age in the form of a copy of birth or baptismal certificate, passport, or a Saskatchewan Health Services card by the roster registration deadline date.

Rule 4: AFFILIATION (MEMBERSHIP)

Affiliation with Softball Saskatchewan is done online through our RAMP Registration system.

Section 1: Application for Affiliation (Membership)

- A. Application for affiliation (membership) will be accepted from associations, leagues, teams (players, coaches, and managers), and umpire associations as outlined in Article 2 Definitions. Approved applicants will receive a membership in the Association by paying

the annually set affiliation fees, submitted to the Softball Saskatchewan office. To be covered by the Softball Saskatchewan Insurance Program, players, coaches, and managers on teams must be affiliated with **Softball Saskatchewan on/or before May 15th for minors and June 1st for adults**. All coaches must also have completed their Respect in Sport (RiS) training by this date. Information regarding the RiS is available on our website under the Respect in Sport tab. The program takes about 3 hours to complete and is free of charge.

***MINOR Affiliation (Membership) Deadline Date: May 15th**

***ADULT Affiliation (Membership) Deadline Date: June 1st**

- B. Affiliated teams attending tournaments will be covered by the Insurance Program ONLY if the tournament is SANCTIONED by Softball Saskatchewan.
- C. **Teams attending sanctioned tournaments outside of Saskatchewan but within Canada must obtain a Travel Permit to be covered by the Insurance Program. Insurance is NOT provided for Out of County travel.**
- D. Affiliation/Membership Fee Structure:
 - i. \$50.00 (Association/League)
 - ii. \$12.00/player (U9 player fee - born in 2014 or later)
 - iii. \$17.00/player (minor players born 2013 or earlier)
 - iv. \$17.00/player (all adult players – female 2003 or earlier, male 2002 earlier)
 - v. \$12.00/coach, manager or volunteer
- E. Slo-Pitch/Orthodox team affiliation fee structure: the fee for all slo-pitch and orthodox teams is a TEAM fee not a per player fee. The team affiliation fee for all slo-pitch/orthodox teams is \$175.00 per team.
- F. Affiliation fees are non-transferable from one player to another. (i.e., if a player is deleted from a roster, their affiliation fee is nontransferable to a player being added). Once paid, a player's affiliation fee remains with them the entire season, the player being added must have their affiliation fee paid.

- G. All softball teams including players, coaches and managers must be affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan through an association or league to be covered under our Insurance Program and to be eligible to register for Provincial Championships. No team, player or coach who is a member of Softball Saskatchewan is permitted to play in a game with or against a non-member of Softball Saskatchewan without permission of Softball Saskatchewan. In circumstances where an adult team can provide documentation that no league exists the Board of Directors may grant permission to affiliate with Softball Saskatchewan.
- H. Any player wishing to play in more than one affiliated league/association must receive approval from both league/associations prior to playing any games. Any player violating this rule may be suspended pending written notification to Softball Saskatchewan.
- I. Minor softball associations in all centers shall be under one governing body. This body must affiliate with Softball Saskatchewan on or before the time they affiliate their teams (players, coaches, managers) or any teams governed by this body will not be affiliated. It will be the responsibility of that body for the accuracy of all player affiliation information.
- J. All minor players must affiliate and tryout with their local or nearest minor softball association within their district.
- K. The Association, through the Board of Directors, reserves the right to refuse any application for affiliation (membership) in Softball Saskatchewan.

Rule 5: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Section 1: General

All teams (players & coaches) registering for Provincial Championships must first be affiliated. All minor teams (players and coaches/managers) registering for Provincial Championships must be a member of a local association or league. The Association, through the Board of Directors, reserves the right to refuse any application for registration in Provincial Championships and has the authority to re-categorize teams.

Section 2: Provincial Championship Entry Fees

Minor Fastpitch	Player Roster	Reg. Fee	Travel Fund	Total Amount
Under 19 'AA' Girls	15	222.00	315.00	537.00
Under 19 'AW' Girls	15	222.00		222.00
Under 19 'B' Girls	20	222.00		222.00
Under 17 'AA' Girls	15	210.00		210.00
Under 17 'AW' Girls	15	210.00	315.00	525.00
Under 17 'B' Girls	20	210.00		210.00
Under 15 'AA' Girls	15	200.00	315.00	515.00
Under 15 'AW' Girls	15	200.00	315.00	515.00
Under 15 'B' Girls	20	200.00		200.00
Under 13 'AA' Girls	20	200.00		200.00
Under 13 'A' & 'B' Girls	20	200.00		200.00
Under 11 'Open' Girls North	20	200.00		200.00
Under 11 'Open' Girls South	20	200.00		200.00
Under 20 'Open' Men's	15	222.00	315.00	537.00
Under 17 'Open' Boys	15	210.00	315.00	525.00
Under 17 'Open' Boys ***	20	210.00		210.00
Under 15 'Open' Boys	15	200.00	315.00	515.00
Under 15 'Open' Boys ***	20	200.00		200.00
Under 13 'Open' Boys	15	200.00	315.00	515.00
Under 13 'Open' Boys ***	15	200.00		200.00
Under 11 'Open' Boys	20	200.00		200.00
*** Not qualifying for Canadians or Westerns				
Adult Fastpitch	Player Roster	Reg. Fee	Travel Fund	Total Amount
U23 Women's 'A'	15	277.50	315.00	592.50
Women's 'A'	15	277.50	315.00	592.50
Women's 'Open'	20	277.50	315.00	592.50
Under 23 'A' Men's	15	277.50	N/A	277.50
Men's 'A'	15	277.50	315.00	592.50
Men's 'Open'	20	277.50	315.00	592.50
Master Men's	20	277.50	315.00	592.50

GST and PST are included in all registration fees where applicable.

Section 3: Provincial Championship Registration Procedures

- **Provincial Championship Entry Forms Information (A to E below)**
 - **Provincial Roster Form Information - Excel document that must be emailed to guy@softball.sk.ca (A to E minor and G to F adult below)**
- A. All teams entering Provincial Championships in categories that lead to a Canadian Championship must submit the completed Provincial Championship team entry form, **Letter of Intent, and \$5,000 bond**, with appropriate registration fees, to the Softball Saskatchewan office in Regina by 4:00pm on or before **MAY 15th**. All entry forms must be accompanied with payment of fees.
- B. All teams entering Provincial Championships in categories that lead to a Western Canadian must submit the completed Provincial Championship team entry form, Letter of Intent, and \$1,000 bond, with appropriate registration fees to the Softball Saskatchewan office by 4:00pm on/or before **JUNE 1st**. All entry forms must be accompanied with payment of fees.
- C. All teams entering Provincial Championships that **DO NOT** lead to a Canadian or Western Canadian must submit the completed Provincial Championship team entry form and fees to the Softball Saskatchewan office by 4:00pm on or before **JUNE 1st**. All entry forms must be accompanied with payment of fees.
- D. **Late Provincial Championship team entry forms will be accepted until 4:00pm three (3) days following the entry deadline with an additional \$100 late entry fee. No exceptions.**
- E. **Incomplete provincial entry forms will not be accepted, they will be returned and must be resubmitted prior to the deadline. Late entry fees may apply.**
- F. **Minor team provincial rosters must be received via email (excel document) on or before 4:00pm on JUNE 1st. Incomplete rosters will not be accepted, they will be returned and must be resubmitted prior to the deadline. Late entry fees may apply.**

- G. **Adult team provincial rosters must be received via email (excel document) on or before 4:00pm on JUNE 15th. Incomplete rosters will not be accepted, they will be returned and must be resubmitted prior to the deadline. Late entry fees may apply.**

Section 5: N.C.C.P. Coaching Certification Requirements

1. ALL coaches and managers MUST be affiliated prior to being listed on a provincial roster.
2. ALL persons listed on a provincial roster (coach/manager) MUST have their Respect in Sport (RiS) for ACTIVITY LEADERS (not workplace, parent, etc.).
3. Provincial rosters allow for up to a maximum of five (5) coach/managers.
4. **Provincial rosters must have a minimum of one (1) coach who is of the same gender as the category the team is registering in. (i.e. Female teams must have a minimum of one (1) female coach, male teams must have a minimum of one (1) male coach).**

Coach Certification Pathways:

- A. **CSOP - Community Sport On-Going Participation** (can also be called CSC-Community Softball Coach). Coaches who complete the e-learning (FOCS-Part 1 and MED) and the in-person clinic are deemed to be TRAINED (there is no certification at this level).
- B. **Comp. Intro. – Competition Introduction**
Coaches who complete the e-learning (FOCS-Part 1 & 2 and MED), online modules #1, #2, #3 and the in-person clinic are deemed to be TRAINED. Coaches can become CERTIFIED after completing and passing the on-field evaluation.
- C. **Comp. Dev. – Competition Development**
This pathway is for coaches who are interested in Canada Games and National team opportunities and is administered by Softball Canada.

Coach E-Learning (Pre-requisites to take the above pathways)

- Part 1- Foundations of Coaching Softball (FOCS)
- Part 2- Foundations of Coaching Softball (FOCS)
- Online Evaluation: Make Ethical Decisions (MED)

Coach Certification Terminology

- **CSOP Trained** – This is coaches who have completed the e-learning (FOCS 1 & MED) and in-person clinic. There is no certification at this level.
- **Comp. Intro. Trained** - This is coaches who have completed the e-learning (FOCS 1,2 & MED) online modules, and in-person clinic.
- **Comp. Intro. Certified**– This is coaches who have completed the Comp. Intro Trained requirements and have passed the on-field evaluation.

Certification Requirements for Provincial Championships

NOTE: ALL teams registering for Provincials must have a minimum of one (1) coach on the roster who is of the same gender as the category the team is registering in. (i.e.: Female teams must have a minimum of one (1) female coach, male teams must have a minimum of one (1) male coach).

1. **For teams registering in the U11 OPEN Boys & U11 OPEN Girls Provincial Championship categories:**
 - **Must have a minimum of one (1) coach on the provincial roster who has taken the CSOP In-person clinic and the online MED and is on the bench at the championships. Anyone listed on a Provincial Roster must have their Respect in Sport (RiS).**
2. **For female teams registering in Provincial Championship categories that DO NOT lead to a Western or Canadian Championships (U13 AA, A & B girls, U15 B girls, U17 B girls and U19 B women's):**
 - **Must have a minimum of one (1) coach on the provincial roster who is CSOP TRAINED and on the bench at the championships.**
3. **For male teams registering in Provincial Championship categories (U13 Open, U15 Open, U17 Open and U20 Open) and who do not wish to attend a Western or Canadian Championship (check No on the Letter of Intent):**

- Must have a minimum of one (1) coach on the provincial roster who is CSOP TRAINED and on the bench at the championships.
4. For female MINOR teams registering in Provincial Championship categories that lead to a Western Canadian (U15AW, U17AW and U19AW):
 - Must have a minimum of one (1) coach who is Comp. Intro CERTIFIED and on the bench at the championship.
 5. **For male MINOR teams registering in Provincial Championship categories (U13 Open, U15 Open, U17 Open and U20 Open) and who wish to attend a Western Canadian Championship (checked Yes on the Letter of Intent):**
 - Must have a minimum of one (1) coach who is Comp. Intro CERTIFIED and on the bench at the championship.
 6. For MINOR teams registering in Provincial Championship categories that lead to a Canadian Championship (U15AA girls, U17AA girls, U19 AA girls and U15 & U17 Open boys and U20 Open men's):
 - The head coach must be identified on the provincial roster and must be Comp. Intro CERTIFIED and on the bench at the championships.
 - Any assistant coach who wishes to be on-field and in the coaches' box, must be Comp. Intro TRAINED.
 7. For ADULT teams registering in Provincial Championship categories that lead to a Western Canadian (men's & women's).
 - Must have a minimum of one (1) coach who is CSOP TRAINED and on the bench at the championship.
 8. **For ADULT teams registering in Provincial Championship categories that lead to a Canadian Championship (U23 'A' Men's & Women's and Men's & Women's):**
 - **The head coach must be identified on the provincial roster and must be Comp. Intro CERTIFIED and on the bench at the championships.**
 - **Assistant coaches only require their Respect in Sport (RiS).**

9. The required trained or certified coach must be in attendance and on the bench at all Provincial Championship games. Effect: Absent coach is fined \$100.00, and no base coaches will be allowed on the playing field. The required trained or certified coaches not attending Provincial Championships may be suspended. Teams requiring a certified coach for Provincial Championships, and who do not have this person on the roster at the registration deadline, will be fined \$100.00. No exceptions. Teams adding a certified coach after the roster registration deadline will still be fined \$100.00.

Section 6: MINOR Provincial Championship Team Formation

Note: Provincial Champions are NOT required to attend Canadian or Western Championships. We will use the Letter of Intent to determine which and how many teams wish to qualify to attend.

1. Teams registering in ALL Minor age categories must make their player selections from within the Sask Sport District, of which they reside or attend school.

2. Age Category Information

1. U19 Girls Categories

There will be three (3) categories: “AA”, “AW” and “B”.

Associations who have a “AA” team may also have an “AW” or “B” team.

The “AA” category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

- **There are no population limits in the “AA” category**

The “AW” category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Western Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Western Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

- **There are no population limits in the “AW” category.**

The “B” category is for teams only wanting to play within the province.

- **There are no population limits in the U19 categories.**

2. U17 Girls Categories

There will be three (3) categories: “AA”, “AW” and “B”.

Associations who have a “AA” team may also have an “AW” or “B” team.

The “AA” category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

- **There are no population limits in the “AA” category**

The “AW” category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Western Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Western Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

- **In the “AW” category there are no population limits.**

The “B” category is for teams only wanting to play within the province. Pending the number of teams entered we may split into two divisions.

- **In the “B” category there are no population limits.**

3. U15 Girls Categories

There will be three (3) categories: “AA”, “AW”, “B.”

Associations who have a “AA” team may also have an “AW” or “B” team.

The “AA” category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

- **There are no population limits in the “AA” category**

The “AW” category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Western Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Western Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

- **In the “AW” category there is a maximum of 25,000 population limit.**

The “B” category is for teams only wanting to play within the province. Pending the number of teams entered we may split into two divisions.

- In the “B” category there is a maximum of 25,000 population

4. U13 Girls Categories

There will be three (3) categories: “AA”, “A” and “B”. Associations who have a “AA” team may also have an “A” or “B” teams.

- The “AA” category has no population limits.
- The “A” category has a maximum of 25,000 population limit. Pending the number of teams entered we may split into two divisions.
- The “B” category has a maximum of 12,000 population limit. Pending the number of teams entered we may split into two divisions.

5. U11 Girls Categories

There will be two (2) categories, North and South. The North will be further split into 2 divisions - Green and White and the South will be further split into 2 divisions – Green and White. This means there will be 4 Provincial Champions in the U11 Category.

6. U20 Boys Category

The U20 “OPEN” category is for ALL teams. Those teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian OR Western Championship MUST submit a Letter of Intent for either Canadians or Westerns.

7. U17 Boys Categories

The U17 “OPEN” category is for ALL teams. Those teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian OR Western Championship MUST submit a Letter of Intent for either Canadians or Westerns. Pending the number of teams entered we may split into two divisions.

8. U15 Boys Categories

The U15 “OPEN” category is for ALL teams. Those teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian OR Western Championship MUST submit a Letter of Intent for either Canadians or Westerns. Pending the number of teams entered we may split into two divisions.

9. **U13 Boys Categories**

The U13 "OPEN" category is for ALL teams. Those teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Western Championship **MUST** submit a Western Canadian Letter of Intent. Pending the number of teams entered we may split into two divisions.

10. **U11 Boys Categories**

The U11 "OPEN" category is for ALL teams. Pending the number of teams entered we may split into two divisions.

11. **Population Limits**

The most recent Statistics Canada census numbers will be used to determine population. To determine residency, we use Google Maps and numbered roads to determine a player's primary residence.

12. **Affiliated Player (AP) Minor Boys ONLY**

Players may register on two teams for Provincials. If two championships are on at the same time AP players can only participate in one championship. Coaches must identify on the Provincial Roster if a player is registered on two teams by using an Affiliated Player (AP) designation. The first commitment of the player **MUST** be to his age eligible team. (i.e., a U13 player must first commit to his U13 team before playing with a U15 team). An AP player cannot be overage. A team can add a maximum of three (3) AP players of which only one (1) can be utilized as a pitcher.

13. **District 2 (Regina) and District 6 (Saskatoon) must register a minimum of the following teams in Provincial Championships.**

1. A minimum of 4 teams in the U13 'AA' Girl's category
2. A minimum of 4 teams in the U15 'AA' Girl's category
3. A minimum of 2 teams in the U17 'AA' Girl's category
4. A minimum of 1 team in the U19 'AA' Girl's category

NOTE: District 2 and District 6 may register teams in the 'AW' and 'B' Categories.

Section 7: ADULT Provincial Championship Team Formation

NOTE: Provincial Champions are NOT required to attend Canadian or Western Championships. We will use the Letter of Intent to determine which and how many teams wish to qualify to attend.

1. Men's Categories

There will be four (4) categories: U23 'A' Men's, Men's 'A', Men's 'OPEN' and Master Men's.

The U23 'A' category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

The Men's 'A' category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend Canadians OR Westerns, teams will submit a Letter of Intent for either Canadians or Westerns.

The 'OPEN' category is for teams only wanting to play within the province. Teams MAY be split into two separate categories ('OPEN' Green and 'OPEN' White) after the entry deadline pending the number of entries.

The Master Men's category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

2. Women's Categories

There will be three (3) categories: U23 'A' Women's, Women's 'A', Women's 'OPEN.'

The U23 'A' category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend a Canadian Championship and teams must submit the Canadian Championship Letter of Intent.

The Women's 'A' category is for teams who wish to compete for the opportunity to attend Canadians OR Westerns, teams will submit a Letter of Intent for either Canadians or Westerns.

The 'OPEN' category is for teams only wanting to play within the province. Teams MAY be split into two separate categories ('OPEN' Green and 'OPEN' White) after the entry deadline pending the number of entries.

Section 8: Provincial District Boundaries

- A. The province shall be divided into nine (9) Districts:
 - 1. District 1- Southeast
 - 2. District 2- Regina
 - 3. District 3- Southwest
 - 4. District 4- East Central
 - 5. District 5- Central
 - 6. District 6- Saskatoon
 - 7. District 7- Northwest
 - 8. District 8- Northeast
 - 9. District 9- North
- B. The Softball Saskatchewan Board of Directors shall have the authority to establish Provincial team registration boundaries in all minor divisions; the map showing the Provincial District boundaries is at the back of this Handbook.
- C. **For a complete listing of communities and member Associations/Leagues by District please refer to the lists at the back of this Handbook.**

Section 9: Provincial Championship Draws

- A. All draws for Provincial Championships shall be made by Softball Saskatchewan and will be a Round Robin format. Teams that enter Provincial Championships do so with the understanding that the Round Robin (RR) format constitutes more games and therefore, teams may expect to begin Provincial Championships as early as FRIDAY MORNING, depending on the category and the number of teams accepted into the Provincial Championship. In all instances, Softball Saskatchewan will try to schedule Friday games based upon practicality and the need for the games to be completed to accommodate the weekend schedule. Every effort will be made to post Provincial draws on the Softball Saskatchewan website (www.softball.sk.ca) two (2) weeks prior to the championship.

While pairings of the opening round remain a draw situation, the opening games must involve the pairing representing the closest teams to the Provincial site in their first games. Consideration will be given to the host team to have prime time for their second game of the day.

- B. There will be Bronze Medal games in all U11, U13, U15 and U17 age categories of Provincial Championships.**
- C. When there is only one (1) team registered in a category, no Provincial Championship will be held. If the category leads to a Western or Canadian, the team will still advance based on the Letter of Intent.**
- D. Every effort will be made to provide all teams a minimum of three (3) games for Provincial Championships. NOTE: Upon completion of the RR, criteria will be used to seed teams for the playoff round there will be no tiebreaker game(s).**
- E. Please note that there will be mandatory coaches' meetings prior to all Provincial Championships. The meetings will be held the week prior to Provincials via Zoom Teleconferencing. Any team not attending this meeting will forfeit their opportunity to take part in the coin toss to determine home/away for all RR games which will be done at this meeting.**
- F. Undefeated team(s) after the RR will have a choice of being home team in the playoff round until their first loss (if any) in the playoff round. If both teams in the playoff round were undefeated in the RR, then a coin toss will be held.**
- G. All Provincial Championship games must be played to completion- NO TIES.**



Section 10: Provincial Championship Tiebreaking Procedures

Final standing in the qualifying round (RR) shall use the following criteria to determine the order of finish:

NOTE 1: *No Provincial Championship games will remain a tie.*

NOTE 2: *If a game is tied after seven (7) complete innings, the teams will revert to the international tie breaking rule starting in the top of the eighth (8th) inning.*

NOTE 3: *The final score of a game is also the score used for tiebreaking purposes. We no longer revert to the last complete inning.*

NOTE 4: *If the home team is ahead after 6.5 innings of play, they will NOT bat in the seventh (7th) inning. This rule will also be in effect if the mercy rule comes into play after 2.5, 3.5, 4.5 or 5.5 innings.*

A. Two (2) teams tied:

- i. The winner of the RR game between the tied teams receives the higher placement.
- ii. In the event the two (2) teams did not play each other in the qualifying round (RR):
 - i. The difference of plus and minus of total runs scored, with a limit of seven (7) plus or minus per game for all games played in the round robin will be used to determine the higher placement. If still tied, then:
 - ii. Least runs allowed by each team for all games played in the RR will be used to determine the higher placement. If still tied, then:
 - iii. Total runs for each team, with a maximum of seven (7) runs per game for all games played in the RR, will be used to determine the higher placement.

B. Three (3) teams tied

- i. If all three (3) teams have played each other then the winner of the RR games between the tied teams will receive the higher placement.
- ii. If only one (1) team has played all teams they are tied with, and have won both games, then they will receive the higher placement. The two (2) remaining teams will revert to the two (2) teams tied criteria above.
- iii. If the teams have, or have not, played each other, the difference of plus or minus of total runs scored, with a limit of seven (7) plus or minus per game for all games played in

the RR will be used to determine the highest placement. If the two (2) teams remaining have played each other, the head-to-head game will be used to determine 2nd and 3rd placements. If the two (2) teams have NOT played each other, the plus/minus criteria will be used to determine 2nd and 3rd placements. If still tied, then:

- i. Least runs allowed by each team for all games played in the RR will be used to determine the higher placement. If still tied, then:
- ii. Total runs for each team (with a maximum of seven (7) runs per game, for all games played in the RR) will be used to determine the higher placement.

C. Four (4) or more teams tied

- i. If four (4) or more teams are tied, the following criteria will be used:
 - i. The difference of plus or minus of total runs scored, with a limit of seven (7) plus or minus for all games played in the RR, will be used to determine all four (4) placements. If still tied, then:
 - ii. Least runs allowed by each team for all games played in the RR will be used to determine the higher placement. If still tied, then:
 - iii. Total runs for each team, with a maximum of seven (7) runs per game, for all games played in the RR, will be used to determine the higher placement.

Section 11: Provincial Championship Procedures

- A. Provincial rosters must have a minimum of eleven (11) players listed at the time of provincial registration (**Exception: For U11 and U13 the minimum is 10 players**). Teams can list up to five (5) coaches/managers on the provincial roster. All players and coaches/managers must first be affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan before their name can appear on a provincial roster form.
- B. Coaches must be familiar with using line-up cards as they will be used at all championships. Generally, line-up cards are submitted to scorekeepers ½ hour prior to game time and provided to the umpires

at the pre-game plate conference. The line-up cards are provided to all hosts of Provincial Championships and are usually available from the scorekeeper.

- C. **The certified coach is responsible and accountable for signing a copy of the provincial roster verification form** prior to the first game of provincials to verify the accuracy of all information appearing on the roster registration form. Players must be able to produce identification (birth certificate or health card) at Provincial Championships if requested by the Softball Saskatchewan Representative. Failure to produce identification may constitute removal from the Provincial Championships.
- D. A player shall be considered registered with a team when his/her name appears on a roster registration form which has been received by the Softball Saskatchewan office.
- E. Players who have registered with an association/team may be released up to the established registration deadline date. Notification of the release must be in writing to the Executive Director.
- F. Managers and coaches may NOT participate as players unless they are registered as such.
- G. No player shall be allowed to register with more than one (1) team in Provincial Championships (except minor male and Masters). Any player violating this rule shall be automatically suspended from further softball competition for the current season. Players are encouraged to participate on teams within their own age category. Further, players are not allowed to register in categories two (2) age groups above their actual age in the following categories: U13 may not register in U17, U15 may not register in U19 and U17 may not register in U23. U19 girls and U20 boys aged players may register on an adult team provided they have obtained a release from their local minor association.
- H. No team may register in an age category where a maximum of six (6) players on the roster are less than the minimum of said category.

Section 12: Multiple Participation

Adult players shall be allowed to register and participate with one (1) fastpitch team (except Masters). Softball Saskatchewan will not allow any other forms of multiple participation in Provincial, Western, or Canadian Championships.

NOTE: See Minor Male AP Rule 5, Section 6.

Section 13: Inter-Provincial Player Transfer

Any 'AA' player or coach who is a permanent resident of Saskatchewan and wishes to register on a U17 or U19 'AA' team (or equivalent) outside the province must apply in writing for an inter-provincial transfer by the February 1st deadline. The deadline for all other ages and categories is March 15th. Applicants must demonstrate what efforts were made to register on a team within Saskatchewan. Any player or coach who is not a permanent resident of Saskatchewan and wishes to register on a Saskatchewan team must have a written letter of permission from the provincial/territorial softball association they reside in. This letter of permission must be received by Softball Saskatchewan by April 1st if registering on an 'AA' team and by May 1st if registering on any other team. The inter-provincial transfer application form is available on our website.

Section 14: Minor Player Releases (must obtain every year if necessary)

For the purpose of participation in Provincial Championships, players must follow the following process:

NOTE: *all minor players must register and if a team is available, tryout with their local or nearest recognized minor softball association within their district:*

- A.** Players residing in a community with a recognized minor softball association must obtain a release from this association. Players who reside in a non-center or rural residence where there is no minor association must obtain a release from their nearest recognized minor association. If released, this player can register where they choose to within the district. **If wishing to register with an association U19 'AA', U17 'AA', U15 'AA', U13 'AA' team outside the district they must also obtain a release from the association of the 'AA' team within their district and apply for a district transfer.**

- B. Players who are non-residents of Regina and Saskatoon may register in Regina or Saskatoon if they attend a softball academy or school in Regina or Saskatoon. These players will still require a district transfer. **Proof of school attendance, signed by the principal, must be provided with the team's provincial roster.** Players will be placed on teams according to Regina or Saskatoon minor softball league rules/policies.
- C. Players must obtain a release from their local or nearest minor association to register on an adult team.
- D. **Players who are released to register on an 'AA' team outside their local or nearest association and are not successful in making the 'AA' team must return to their home or closest association to register on a 'AW' or 'B' team.**
- E. To determine the nearest center, we will use Google Maps and numbered roads. The player release application form is available on our website. Applications must provide rationale as to why there is no opportunity for the player to register on a team within or near their residence within the district.

Section 15: Player Protection Rule

Players who previously registered outside their home or nearest association for two (2) consecutive years with the same team for Provincial Championships within or outside of their district will have the option of registering with that association again if they wish.

Section 16: Provincial Championship District Transfer

All U13 Girls & Boys, U15 Girls & Boys, U17 Girls & Boys and U19 Women's and U20 Men's players may apply for a district transfer. Players who wish to register on a U17 'AA', U19 'AA' Girls or U20 'Open' Boys teams must apply by the February 1st deadline. All other players who wish to register in any other age and category the deadline is April 1st. Players applying for a district transfer must complete the application form available on our website. If necessary, district transfer requests must include the player release form. Applications must provide rationale as to why there is no opportunity for the

player to register on a team within their district. Final approval of applications will be complete upon review by the Softball Saskatchewan Board of Directors.

NOTE: We will not accept District Transfers in the U11 age division

Section 17: Team Withdrawal from Provincial Championships

In the event of a team withdrawing from Provincial Championships the team's registration fee will not be refunded. Teams withdrawing within three (3) days of the Provincial Championship will be fined \$200.00 which will be split equally between the host and Softball Saskatchewan.

Section 18: Injury Replacement for Provincial Playoffs

Teams may be allowed to replace injured players. Injured players, and/or legal guardians for minors, must submit a signed **doctor's certificate** to the Executive Director seven (7) days prior to the first scheduled date of the Provincial Championships. The doctor's certificate must state the following:

- A. That the player sustained an injury or has an illness which will prevent him/her from participating.
- B. The length of time that the player will be unable to participate in sport. Injured players will be ineligible from further participation at Provincial, Western Canadian or Canadian Championships. Replacement players must be affiliated as of May 15th and not registered with another team in Provincial Championships. Any false claims will be subject to suspension of the offending player, coaches and/or managers.

NOTE: Injury Certificates (notes) must be signed off by only a medical Doctor.

Section 19: Postponement or Delay of Provincial Championships

- A. If inclement weather or other factors leads to a postponement of a Provincial Championship, it shall be held at the earliest date possible or the following weekend.

- B. Any game that is suspended for any reason shall be continued from the point of suspension at the first opportunity possible within the current tournament.
- C. The Softball Saskatchewan representative shall be empowered to take such steps, as necessary, to ensure the completion of a Provincial Championship.
- D. If a Provincial Championship is partially completed during the days that it was officially set for and then rescheduled for a later date, the following shall apply:
 - i. All completed games shall stand.
 - ii. Any games suspended prior to five (5) complete innings of play must be resumed from the point of suspension.

Section 20: Provincial Championship Awards

Softball Saskatchewan will provide medals to the top teams in all minor age divisions (U11, U13, U15, U17, U19 Girls & U20 Boys). Adult divisions will receive a prize package for the provincial champion and finalist. When no Provincial Championship is played, no prize package is provided. All players and coaches in the U11, U13, U15 & U17 age divisions will receive a participation t-shirt.

Section 21: Official Softball at Provincial Championships

Hosts of Provincial Championships must use **Rawlings** softballs. Softball Saskatchewan will supply a portion of the balls to be used at Provincial Championships. Host centers who do not use the official Rawlings softball will not receive their Provincial Championship membership assistance program (MAP) grant. The official softballs are:

- A. U11 & U13 Boys and Girls- Rawlings Red Dot- 11" Optic (PX11RYLC)
- B. All other female categories- Rawlings Red Dot- 12" Optic (PX2RYLC).
- C. All other male categories- Rawlings K-Master- 120 12" Optic (C120YCC).

Section 22: Bid to Host Provincial Championships

- A. Provincial Championship hosting applications will be accepted from only affiliated leagues/ associations.
- B. 2024 bid to host applications must be received by the Softball Saskatchewan office on or before November 1st, 2023. Host sites will be determined by the Executive Director.
- C. Categories that remain open to bid will be awarded by the Executive Director.
- D. There is a \$50.00 hosting fee for Provincial Championships.

Section 23: Provincial Championship Representative

The Association will have a representative in attendance at all Provincial Championships. This representative shall exercise the authority of the Board of Directors at the championship and submit a written report to the Softball Saskatchewan office on all rulings. The Provincial Championship representative shall be empowered to take such steps as necessary to ensure the completion of the Provincial Championship under their authority.

Section 24: Financial Responsibility

- A. Officers of Softball Saskatchewan and participating players, coaches, managers and assigned umpires are not required to pay gate admission at Provincial Championships.
- B. All expenses incurred by the host in any Provincial Championship are the responsibility of the same; any profits realized at these championships are to be retained by the host.

Section 25: Umpires

- A. Provincial Championship assignments:
 - i. The District Umpire-in-Chief will assign umpires to all Provincial Championships. Umpires assigned shall be those who live near the championship location, regardless of which district they live in.

- ii. The Umpire Development Committee (UDC) MAY assign umpires to Provincial Championships which lead to a Canadian or Western Canadian Championship.
 - B. Provincial Championship umpire fees shall be paid at a rate of:
 - i. **\$40 per game for plate/base umpire in the U11 & U13 age groups.**
 - ii. **\$45 per game for base/plate umpire in all age groups U15 and older.**
 - iii. If a one (1) umpire system must be used, the umpire fee is \$60 per game.
- NOTE:** *In addition, \$5.00 from every Provincial Championship game will be return, by the host, to Softball Saskatchewan for future umpire recruitment, retention, and development initiatives upon completion of the championship.*
- C. The following expenses shall also be paid to umpires working Provincial Championships who must travel from outside the host center:
 - i. Car allowance- \$0.47 per kilometre (both ways)
 - ii. Hotel/ motel allowance- actual costs.
 - D. All umpire fees and expenses shall be paid for by the host organization and the Association shall not have any responsibilities therein.
 - E. In all Provincial Championship games, the two (2) umpire system shall be used, unless the three (3) umpire system is requested by the hosting committee. In all U17 AA, U17 AW, U19 AA & AW, U23 A, and Men's and Women's A Provincial Championships, a three (3) umpire system must be used in the championship final game ONLY.

Section 26: Protests

- A. No protests shall be considered if they involve a decision by an umpire based solely on the umpire's judgement. Protests that will be received and considered concern matters of the following types:
 - i. Misinterpretation of a playing rule.

- ii. Failure of an umpire to apply the correct ruling to a given situation.
 - iii. Failure of an umpire to impose the correct penalty for a given violation.
- B. A protest may properly involve a matter of judgement and the interpretation of a rule and in such an instance the finding of fact by the umpire cannot be the subject of the protests but the application of the rule to the facts as found by the umpire shall be the subject of a protest.
- C. With respect to any protest regarding the matters referred to in A i, ii & iii (hereinafter called game-play protests) notification of intent to protest must be made immediately before the next pitch, and
- i. The coach/manager of the protesting team shall immediately notify the plate umpire that the game is being continued under protest. The plate umpire shall notify the opposing manager, official scorekeeper, and Provincial Championship representative.
 - ii. All interested parties shall take notice of the conditions surrounding the making of the decision that will aid in the correct determination of the issue.

NOTE: *on appeal plays, the appeal must be made before the next pitch, legal or illegal, or before the defensive team has left the field. For the purpose of this rule the defensive team has “left the field” when all players have left fair territory on the way to the bench or dugout area.*

- iii. In all Provincial Championships, protests arising from game play shall be dealt with immediately and before play resumes. The results will be announced by the umpire.

Section 27: Ejections at Provincial Championships

Umpires officiating at any Provincial Championship game must complete and submit to the Softball Saskatchewan office the Game Incident/Ejection Report and notify the Provincial Championship representative of any ejection. The Game Incident/Ejection Report is a fillable form available on the Softball Saskatchewan website under the umpire tab.

Rule 6: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYING RULES

Section 1: General Rules

- A. The softball rules, as outlined in the Softball Canada Rule Book, will govern in all Provincial Championships, except where superseded by Softball Saskatchewan's Operating Rules.
NOTE: *we do not use the minor softball rules at the back of the Softball Canada Rule Book for the U11 age category.*
- B. Teams (including players, coaches, and managers) shall be uniformly dressed at the Provincial Championships, as outlined in the Softball Canada Rule Book.
- C. All Provincial Championship fastpitch (FP) games (except all U11 Round Robin and Championship games and U13 Round Robin games) will end after:
- i. 2 ½ or 3 innings of play if there is a difference of fifteen (15) runs, or
 - ii. 3 ½ or 4 innings of play if there is a difference of ten (10) runs, or
 - iii. 4 ½, 5, 5 ½, 6, or 6 ½ innings of play if there is a difference of seven (7) runs.
- D. No metal spikes or shoes with detachable cleats are allowed in the U11 and U13 age categories.
- E. Helmets are mandatory for batters, base runners, catchers, on deck batters, and minor age players who coach in the first and third base coaches' box. In all categories of minor softball, a protective batting helmet is one that is fully enclosed, with two (2) earflaps, foam liner and a peak.
- F. All male and female batters, on deck batters and baserunners in the U13, U15 & U17 age categories must wear an attached face mask. We also recommend that all defensive infield players wear facial protection.

- G. Anyone warming up the pitcher, on or off the diamond, must also wear a mask, helmet and throat protector while receiving warm-up pitches prior to and during the game.
- H. Minor catchers must wear a protective helmet and mask with the attached throat protector. In addition, all minor catchers must wear shin guards which offer protection to the kneecap, body protectors, and athletic support with protective cup (male and female).
- I. Batters' box in all age categories. After entering the batters' box, the batter must remain in the box with a least one (1) foot between pitches and while taking signals and practice swings.
- Exceptions:
- If the ball is hit foul or fair.
 - On the swing, slap, or check swing.
 - If forced out of the box by a pitch.
 - On a wild pitch or passed ball.
 - If there is an attempted play.
 - If time has been called.
 - If the pitcher leaves the 8 ft circle or the catcher leaves the catchers' box.
 - On a three-ball pitch that is a strike, which the batter thinks is a ball.
- J. Effects: If the batter leaves the batters' box and delays play and none of these exceptions apply, the umpire may warn the batter or call a strike.
- NOTE: Any number of warnings and called strikes can be made with each batter. No pitch has to be thrown and ball is dead.***
- K. In all minor categories, the "Re-Entry Rule" is waived in the case of injury if all substitutes have been used. The injured player who has been substituted for is ineligible for the remainder of the game. The substitution must occur at the time of injury.
- L. In all Provincial Championship games, seven (7) innings will constitute a legal game with the following **exceptions**:
- In ALL games in the U11 age category and ONLY in the Round Robin in the U13 age category.

- ii. If a game is tied after seven (7) innings, it shall be played out to completion. Tiebreaker rule applies starting at the top of the eighth (8) inning.

Section 2: U11 Playing Rules

NOTE: We do not use the minor softball rules at the back of the Softball Canada Rule Book for the U11 age category.

A. Time limit

- i. In the U11 male and female Provincial Championships there is a time limit where no new inning will start after 90 minutes in ALL games (Round Robin and Championship Round).
- ii. Time starts when the plate umpire calls, "Play Ball!" to start the game.
- iii. No games end in a tie. The tiebreaker rule will begin immediately after the time limit expires in the RR if necessary.
- iv. No additional time will be added to games in case of injury or protest.

NOTE: The home team will be responsible for scorekeeping and keeping track of the pitching and catcher rule. The sheets will be turned into the Host/Supervisor immediately following each game.

B. The Game

- i. **The Infield Fly Rule does not apply.**
- ii. There will be no mercy rule in RR games. All games will be played five (5) innings or to the maximum time limit (90 minutes).
- iii. Maximum of five (5) runs per half inning. Once the fifth (5th) run is scored, all other runners are stranded. They do not start on base the next inning.
- iv. For the Championship Round only, there will be a mercy rule of +/- 11 runs after five (5) innings or +/- 6 runs after six (6) innings.
- v. A coin toss will determine home team for all RR games in Provincial Championships. **(This is done at the Coaches Meeting prior to the Championships).** Undefeated team(s)

after the RR will have choice of being home team in the playoff round until first loss, if any, in the playoff round. If both teams in the playoff round were undefeated in the RR then a coin toss will be held.

- vi. Everyone on the roster and in attendance must bat in all Provincial Championship games. There will be unlimited defensive substitutions. Effect: A coach who does not allow every player on the roster and in attendance to bat shall be removed from the game and suspended from further participation in the championship. Softball Saskatchewan shall review reported instances of coaches who do not follow this rule. Injured player(s) who are unable to bat cannot return to play in that game after being declared injured.
- vii. Each player listed on the line-up card must play a minimum of two (2) innings (12 outs) by the end of the 4th inning in each game. In a time-limit situation (RR) a team will not be penalized if not able to play all players. In a mercy situation (Championship Round) a team will not be penalized if not able to play all players. Violations of this rule will result in the head coach being suspended for one (1) game in the Provincial Championships.
- viii. If a player arrives late, they may be added to the bottom of the line-up card and scorebook.
 - i. Unlimited defensive substitutions
 - ii. Coaches must be familiar with using line-up cards as they will be used at all championships. Generally, line-up cards are submitted to scorekeepers ½ hour prior to game time and provided to the umpires at the pre-game plate conference. The line-up cards are provided to all hosts of Provincial Championships and are usually available from the scorekeeper.

C. Ranking

- i. At the completion of the Qualifying Round, teams are ranked after the RR games based on:
 - 1. Win/loss record (there are no tie games in the Qualifying Round).
 - 2. Games played against each other
 - 3. Total plus/minus of all games (runs for, minus

against) with a maximum (+/-) per game being five (5) runs.

- Least runs allowed in all games by each team
 - Total runs scored in all games by each team
 - Positions settled by a coin toss.
- ii. When using criteria #2, if one (1) team has beaten all the other teams who they are tied with, then that team will be ranked highest regardless of whether or not the remaining teams have played one another.
 - iii. When using criteria #3, team records are based on all games of Qualifying Round and only 3, 4, 5, 6, etc., full innings in 3 $\frac{1}{2}$, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$, etc. inning games are used.
 - iv. If the game is over, and the bottom one-half of the inning is not required, the home team does not bat in the bottom of the inning. Runs for/against will be determined based on full innings.
 - v. Teams will be ranked according to this criterion for the purpose of determining seeding for playoffs. No tiebreaker game is required.

D. Pitching

- i. Pitchers may pitch a maximum of three (3) innings in ALL games. Should a pitcher throw one (1) pitch this is classified as a complete inning pitched. In the event of extra innings, the pitching rule is not in effect. The penalty for pitcher(s) exceeding the limit of innings pitched is that the coach is ejected, player(s) is removed from the pitching position and all illegal innings will be re-played.
- ii. In the event of a suspension in play, resulting in a day(s) delay, at U11 Provincial Championships, the pitching rule is carried over to the new day and the game resumes from the point of suspension.
- iii. The conference rule (regarding pitchers) in U11 will allow one (1) conference per pitcher, per inning, and the second (2) conference will result in the pitcher being removed from the pitching position but may remain in the game in another position.
- iv. All pitchers must wear a protective face mask.
- v. Walks are allowed.

- vi. There are no intentional walks.
- vii. A team is permitted unlimited offensive conferences per inning.
- viii. A team is permitted two (2) defensive conferences per inning. With the third conference, the pitcher must be removed from the pitcher position for the balance of the inning.

E. Catchers

- i. Catchers may catch a maximum of three (3) innings in RR games and three (3) innings in Championship Round games.

F. Batting

- i. The batter is out on the third strike, regardless of if the ball is caught or not, the ball remains alive.
- ii. All batters, on deck batters, and base runners must wear helmets that have an attached face mask.
- iii. Bunting is permitted.
- iv. Designated player use is not permitted.
- v. There are no intentional walks.

G. Base running

- i. Players cannot advance to home on a steal, passed ball, or wild pitch. The player must be batted in or forced home by a walk.
- ii. Runners may leave the base when the ball has crossed the plate. If they leave early, they will be called out.
- iii. Sliding is allowed.

H. Distances and measurements

- i. Base path distance: 15.24m (50')
- ii. Pitching distance: 10.06m (33')
- iii. Softball: Rawlings 27.95cm (11") Red Dot

Section 3: U13 Playing Rules

A. Time limit

- i. All U13 male and female divisions of Provincial Championships will utilize a time limit where no new inning will start after 90 minutes in the RR. All Championship Round games are seven (7) innings. NO time limit.

- ii. Time starts when the plate umpire calls, "Play Ball!" to start the game.
- iii. No games end in a tie. The tiebreaker rule will begin immediately after the time limit expires in the RR if necessary.
- iv. No additional time will be added to games in case of injury or protest.

B. The Game

- i. Maximum of five (5) runs per half inning. Once the fifth (5th) run is scored, all other runners are stranded. They do not start on base the next inning.
- ii. For all categories of U13 Boys and Girls, each player listed on the lineup card must play a minimum of two (2) innings (12 outs) by the end of the 4th inning in each game. In a mercy game, a team will not be penalized if not able to play all players. Violations of this rule will result in the head coach being suspending for one (1) game in the Provincial Championships.
- iii. If a player arrives late, they may be added to the bottom of the line-up card and scorebook.
- iv. Unlimited defensive substitutions.

C. Pitching

- i. Pitchers in all U13 categories may pitch a maximum of three (3) innings per game in the RR and four (4) innings in the Championship Round. Should a pitcher throw one (1) pitch this is classified as a complete inning pitched. In the event of extra innings, the pitching rule is not in effect. The penalty for pitcher(s) exceeding the limit of innings pitcher is that the coach is ejected, player(s) is removed from the pitching position and all illegal innings will be re-played.
- ii. The conference rule (regarding pitchers) in U13 will allow one (1) conference per pitcher, per inning and the second (2) conference will result in the pitcher being removed from the pitching position but may remain in the game in another position.

- iii. In the event of a suspension in play results in a day(s) delay at a U13 Provincial Championship the pitching rule is carried over to the new day and the game resumes from the point of suspension.
- iv. All pitchers must wear a protective face mask.

D. Catchers

- i. Catchers may catch a maximum of three (3) innings in RR games and four (4) innings in Championship Round games.

E. Batting

- i. Everyone on the roster and in attendance must bat in all Provincial Championship games. There will be unlimited defensive substitutions. Effect: A coach who does not allow every player on the roster and in attendance to bat shall be removed from the game and suspended from further participation in the championship. Softball Saskatchewan shall review reported instances of coaches who do not follow this rule. Injured player(s) who are unable to bat cannot return to play in the game after being declared injured.
- ii. All batters, on deck batters and base runners must wear helmets that have an attached face mask.
- iii. There are no intentional walks.
- iv. **The dropped third strike rule shall not apply. The batter is out. Base runners may advance at their own risk with liability to be put out.**

F. Base running

- i. Runners may leave the base when the ball has crossed the plate. If they leave early, they will be called out.
- ii. Sliding is allowed.
- iii. Players can steal home.

G. Distances and measurements

- i. Base path distance: 16.76m (55')
- ii. Pitching distance: 11.58m (38')
- iii. Softball: Rawlings 27.95cm (11") Red Dot

Section 4: U15 Playing Rules

- A. All categories of U15 Boys and Girls, Provincial Championship games will have a maximum of seven (7) runs scored per half inning. If in the top 7th inning of play a team is up by more than seven (7) runs, then the game is over.
- B. **Pitchers in all U15 categories may pitch a maximum of four (4) innings in all Round Robin games. There is no limit on innings pitched in the Championship round.** Should a pitcher throw one (1) pitch this is classified as a complete inning pitched. In the event of extra innings, the pitching rule is not in effect. The penalty for pitcher(s) exceeding the limit of innings pitcher is that the coach is ejected, player(s) is removed from the pitching position and all illegal innings will be re-played.
- C. The conference rule (regarding pitchers) in U15 will allow one (1) conference per pitcher per inning and the second (2) conference will result in the pitcher being removed from the pitching position but may remain in the game in another position.
- D. In the event of a suspension in play resulting in a day(s) delay at U15 Provincial Championships, the pitching rule is carried over to the new day and the game resume from the point of suspension.
- E. All male and female batters, on deck batters, and baserunners must wear helmets that have an attached face mask.
- F. All pitchers in the U15 age division must wear a protective mask.
- G. **The designated player (DP) rule may be used in all U15 girls and boy's categories.**

Section 5: U17 Playing Rules

- A. All batters, on deck batters, and baserunners must wear a helmet with an attached face mask.
- B. All pitchers must wear a protective mask.

Rule 7: CANADIAN/WESTERN CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHPS

Section 1: Eligibility

A. Canadian Championships:

- i. The following Provincial Championship categories lead to a Canadian Championship:
 - a. **U19 'AA' Women's & U20 'Open' Men's**
 - b. **U17 'AA' Girls & U17 'Open' Boys**
 - c. **U15 'AA' Girls & U15 'Open' Boys**
 - d. **U23 'A' Men's & Women's**
 - e. **Men's & Women's 'A'**
 - f. **Master Men's**
- ii. **In total, a maximum of three (3) teams can attend out-of-province Canadian's which includes a host team, based on the letters of intent received by the May 15th deadline.** Teams registering in a category that leads to a Canadian Championship must submit a \$5000 bond with their Provincial Championship entry form in addition to the registration fee.
- iii. All teams who do not fulfill their obligations to attend Canadian Championships will forfeit their bond of \$5000 and their \$850 Softball Canada registration fee.
- iv. Teams attending Canadian Championships are responsible to pay a Softball Canada team registration fee of \$850 Per team.
- v. For those Canadian Championship that allow import player(s), we will allow them to be added before or after the Provincial Championships. If added after provincials, they are considered a pickup(s). Import player(s) must be released from their province of residence.

B. Western Canadian Championships

- i. **The following Provincial Championship categories will lead to a Western Canadian Championship:**
 - a. **U19 'AW' Women's & U20 'Open' Men's**
 - b. **U17 'AW' Girls & U17 'Open' Boys**
 - c. **U15 'AW' Girls & U15 'Open' Boys**
 - d. **U13 'Open' Boys**
 - e. **Men's & Women's 'A'**

- ii. **In total, a maximum of two (2) teams (three (3) if we are hosting) may attend based on the letters of intents received by the June 1st registration deadline.** Teams registering in a category that leads to a Western Canadian Championship must submit a \$1000 bond with their Provincial Championship entry form in addition to the registration fee. We are eligible to send two (2) teams to our or province westerns.
 - a. For all in-province Western Canadian Championships we will have three (3) teams participate. If there are three (3) teams who qualify, one (1) team must be a host team.
 - b. Teams who do not fulfill their obligations to attend Western Canadian Championships will be fined \$1000.

C. Host Team:

The highest-ranking team (who checks Yes on the Letter of Intent) from the host center participating in Provincial Championships shall have choice to be the provincial representative or host team ONLY if they win the Provincial Championship. This must be decided in the same time frame as player pickups. Should a team from outside the host center win the Provincial Championships they will be designated the provincial representative and the highest-ranking team from the host center will be designated the host team. Defending Champions: Canadian Championships:

- i. In all Canadian Championship categories, the previous year's champions are eligible to attend their respective Canadian Championship, subject to the following considerations:
 - a. They are responsible for all their own expenses.
 - b. At least eight (8) players from the Provincial Championship roster are still on the current roster and in attendance, except the U19 Women's, U20 Men's and U23 levels of competitions where it is acceptable for seven (7) players have been on the provincial roster.
 - c. They follow Softball Saskatchewan's team and player registration procedures.

Western Canadian Softball Championships:

- i. In all Western Canadian Championship categories, the defending championship team is not guaranteed a berth in the following years championships.

Section 2: Player Pickups for Canadian and Western Canadian Championships

- A. Pickups are allowed following the Provincial Championships from categories as outlined in the player pickup charts below. Teams may add a maximum of three (3) registered players to their registration roster. However, player pickups cannot exceed the Softball Canada or Western Canadian player roster quota, which is seventeen (17) players. The Master's quota is twenty (20) players.
- B. Teams eligible to pick-up players will be determined by the order of finish at Provincial Championships. The first-place team at the Provincial Championship gets first choice of pickups regardless of whether they are going to a Canadian or a Western Canadian Championship. Provincial champions in each category have first choice of all eligible players in that category.
- C. All players will only be eligible to be picked up once. Players cannot be picked up for both Western and Canadian Championships. Players may only participate in one Western Canadian but may participate in two (2) Canadian Championships.
- D. Player pickups who refuse to join a team attending a Canadian or Western Canadian Championship may lose the right to participate as a pickup in all championships. Any dispute regarding refusal to be picked up will be reviewed by a committee consisting of the President (or his/her designate) and two (2) board members.
- E. Registered players meeting age requirements but playing in older age categories are allowed to be picked up should their team not advance past the Provincial Championship. However, the category the player is registered in gets first choice of pickup following pickup procedures.

- F. The team with the first choice of pickups following a Provincial Championship have 48 hours from the time of winning the Provincial Championship to notify the Executive Director of their pickups, if any. The team with second choice of pickups have 48 hours from the time of being contacted to notify the Executive Director. The team with third choice of pickups have 48 hours from the time of being contacted to notify the Executive Director. **NOTE: Second and third place teams cannot pickup players that were eligible for pickup by the first-place team.**
- G. Players that are picked up to go to a Canadian Championship may return to his/her team and be able to participate in a Western Canadian Championship in the same year. Additionally, players that are picked up to go to a Canadian Championship must first complete their commitment to their team attending Westerns prior to playing in a Canadian Championship.
- H. Players registered on an 'AA' team playing in a Canadian Championships cannot be picked up by a team going to a Western Canadian Championship. (Exception: in male fastpitch only, Men's & Women's 'A' categories may pick up players from U23 'A' categories).



MINOR FEMALE CHAMPIONSHIP PICK-UP CHART

ELIGIBLE PICK-UPS	<i>Refer top down, not left to right.</i>	U19 'AA'	U19 'AW'	U17 'AA'	U17 'AW'	U15 'AA'	U15 'AW'
	U19 'AA' Women's	X					
	U19 'AW' Women's	X	X				
	U17 'AA' Girls	X	X	X			
	U17 'AW' Girls	X	X	X	X		
	U15 'AA' Girls			X	X	X	
	U15 'AW' Girls			X	X	X	X
	U15 'B' Girls					X	X
	U13 'AA', 'A', & 'B' Girl's					X	X

MINOR MALE CHAMPIONSHIP PICK-UP CHART

ELIGIBLE PICK-UPS	<i>Refer top down, not left to right.</i>	U20 'Open'	U17 'Open'	U15 'Open'	U13 'Open'
	U20 'Open' Men's	X			
	U17 'Open' Boys	X	X		
	U15 'Open' Boys		X	X	
	U13 'Open' Boys			X	X
	U11 'Open' Boys				X

ADULT CHAMPIONSHIP PICK-UP CHART

ELIGIBLE PICK UPS	<i>Refer top down, not left to right.</i>	Men's & Women's 'A'	Masters (M & W)	U23 (M & W)
	Men's 'A' & Women's 'A'	X		
	Men's & Women's 'Open'	X	X	
	Masters	X	X	
	U23 'A' Men's & U23 'A' Women's	X		X
	U20 'Open' Men's	X		X
	U19 'AA' & 'AW' Women's	X		X

Section 3: Travel Assistance

- A. Teams participating in an in-province Canadian or Western Canadian Championship shall do so at their own expense.
- B. Teams participating in an out-of-province Canadian or Western Canadian shall be funded by the Softball Saskatchewan Travel Fund.
 - i. Fund will be distributed and allotted as follows:
 - i. Two (2) teams attending out of province championship
 - a. 60% to the highest-ranking team
 - b. 40% to the second highest-ranking team
 - ii. Three (3) teams attending out of province championship:
 - a. 50% to the highest-ranking team
 - b. 30% to the second highest-ranking team
 - c. 20% to the third highest-ranking team
 - ii. Funding will be distributed based on kilometers (km) using the following formula: Total Softball Saskatchewan travel fund dollars divided by total km travelled by all teams. This will provide a per km rate to be used for all teams travelling.
- C. Team Travel Fund
 - i. Money in this fund will be allotted to ALL teams participating in out-of-province Canadian or Western Canadian Championships. Money in this fund comes from the \$300 travel fund fee paid by all teams registering in categories leading to a Canadian or Western Canadian Championship.
 - ii. Funding will be distributed based on kilometers (km) using the following formula: Total team travel fund dollars divided by total km travelled by all teams. This will provide a per km rate to be used for all teams travelling.

Section 4: Bid to Host

- A. Associations interested in hosting a Canadian Championship should contact Softball Canada. Bids will be accepted in the Softball Canada office beginning October 1st, two (2) years prior to the year of the event.

- B. Bids to host a Western Canadian Championship must be submitted in writing to the Softball Saskatchewan office by October 1st, one (1) year prior to the year of the event. A bid to host package, including criteria, is available from the Softball Saskatchewan office.

Section 5: Coaches at Canadian and Western Canadian Championships

Certified coaches not in attendance at a Western Canadian Championship will be fined \$250. Certified coaches not in attendance at a Canadian Championship will be fined \$2500 in addition to suspension by Softball Saskatchewan.

Section 6: Injury Replacement for Western and Canadian Championships

Teams will be allowed to replace injured players. Injured players and/or legal guardians for minors must submit a signed doctor's certificate to the Executive Director three (3) days prior to the first scheduled date of Western Canadian and Canadian Championships. The **doctor's** certificate must state the following:

- i. That the player sustained an injury or has an illness which will prevent him/her from participating.
- ii. The length of time the player will be unable to participate in the sport.
- iii. Injured players will be ineligible from further participation at Western Canadian and Canadian Championships. Replacement players must be listed on a provincial roster. Player pickups take precedent over injury replacement. Any false claims will be subject to suspension of offending player, coaches and/or managers.

Rule 8: TRAVEL PERMITS

All affiliated teams, players and umpires that travel outside of Saskatchewan but within Canada to a sanctioned competition or tournament must be in possession of a travel permit in order to be covered under the Softball Saskatchewan Insurance program. All travel permits are obtainable by contacting the Softball Saskatchewan office or on our website. The deadline to submit travel permits is two (2) weeks prior to departure. **Insurance is NOT provided for Out of County travel.**

Rule 9: TOURNAMENT SANCTIONS

- A. All tournaments must be sanctioned by Softball Saskatchewan through the Executive Director. No tournament will be sanctioned unless the tournament committee or association is an affiliated member of Softball Saskatchewan.
- B. All Softball Saskatchewan/ Softball Canada rules and regulations shall apply.
- C. No sanctioned tournament shall accept entries from any team which is not an affiliated member of Softball Saskatchewan or any other provincial softball association. It will be the responsibility of the tournament organizers to ensure that all teams participating in their tournament affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan or another provincial association.
- D. No team, player, or coach, who is a member of Softball Saskatchewan is permitted to play in a game with, or against, a non-member of Softball Saskatchewan without permission from Softball Saskatchewan.
- E. Any team, player, coach, or manager of an affiliated team taking part in an unsanctioned tournament may be suspended.
- F. All games in a sanctioned tournament shall be umpired by registered umpires in Saskatchewan. Umpires who participate in unsanctioned tournaments may be suspended.
- G. If any team withdraws from a sanctioned tournament after the entry has been accepted, the team shall be reported to Softball Saskatchewan for disciplinary action if deemed necessary.
- H. No tournament sanctions will be issued that conflict with any Provincial Championships scheduled for the same dates.
- I. Tournaments must use provincial team classification when inviting teams to participate in their event (i.e., U15 or Men's/Women's, etc.).
- J. A list of teams competing in the tournament must be submitted to the Softball Saskatchewan office prior to the first game of the tournament.

- K. All irregularities, problems, conflicts, etc., must be reported to the Softball Saskatchewan office no later than five (5) days after completion of the tournament.
- L. Application for a tournament sanction must be made at least two (2) weeks prior to the tournament date. Tournament sanctions must always be posted during the tournament.

Rule 10: SUSPENSIONS/ APPEALS

Section 1: Suspension of Association Members

- A. Any member violating the bylaws, operating rules, and/or policies of the Association or refusing to abide by a decision made by the Board of Directors, may be expelled or suspended with the right to appeal.
- B. Any member of the Association may be suspended for any of the following:
 - i. Conduct detrimental to the game of softball.
 - ii. Unsportsmanlike conduct.
 - iii. Physical violence, proceeding, during, or following a game.
 - iv. Commission of fraud, such as playing under an assumed name, or falsifying any documentation supplied to the Association.
 - v. Participating in a game where a suspended player, umpire, or team is involved.
 - vi. Violation of Association policies.

Section 2: Suspension Procedures

- A. Suspension procedures will follow what is outlined in the Associations Dispute Resolution Policies found on our website.
- B. A league or association wishing Softball Saskatchewan to honor their suspension must provide written documentation stating the team or individual(s) whom they are suspending and the reasons for the suspension. The request will then be reviewed by Softball Saskatchewan appointed representatives.

Section 3: Right of Appeal

Any members suspended by the Association may file an appeal as outlined in the Appeal Policy found on our website or available from our office.

Section 4: Penalty for Violation

In order that the game of softball, as controlled by Softball Saskatchewan, and its members shall not be affected by financial interest, any appeal to courts of law, or to a lawyer in anticipation of legal action, BEFORE all processes of appeal through Softball Saskatchewan and if applicable, through Softball Canada, are exhausted, shall be deemed unsportsmanlike conduct. Individuals who resort to such procedure shall automatically and immediately be suspended from all privileges and affiliations with Softball Saskatchewan and its member associations.

Rule 11: CONCESSION APPLICATION

- A. Any request for a concession to an operating rule must be in writing and submitted to the Softball Saskatchewan office, attention to the Executive Director, and will only be accepted between January 1st and August 31st of each year. All applications must be made by the individual player, coach, or association who desires the concession to the operating rule. The committee appointed by the President reserves the right to entertain blanket concession applications from associations. Applicants who are denied their concession will not be eligible to apply for the same concession for a period of two (2) years. The applicant shall have the right to make a brief presentation when the concession is heard by the Concession Committee (Zoom Video conferencing). Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$157.50 (\$150 + \$7.50 GST). If the concession application is successful, the registration fee will be refunded.
- B. A concession hearing shall be held as soon as reasonably possible after the date the concession is received. The Executive Director will notify the party(s) applying for the concession of the date and time the concession will be heard. The Executive Director shall supply, in writing, within seven (7) days of the date the decision of the Concession Committee, to the member(s) making the request for a concession. The decision of the Concession Committee shall be final and binding (no appeals allowed).**

Rule 12: FASTPITCH DISTANCE TABLES

Female

Age	Ball Size	Pitching Distance	Baselines
U5	11" (27.95cm)	30' (9.14m)	45' (13.70m)
U7	11" (27.95cm)	30' (9.14m)	45' (13.70m)
U9	11" (27.95cm)	30' (9.14m)	45' (13.70m)
U11	11" (27.95cm)	33' (10.06m)	50' (15.24m)
U13	11" (27.95cm)	38' (11.58m)	55' (16.76m)
U15	12" (30.50cm)	40' (12.20m)	60' (18.30m)
U17	12" (30.50cm)	43' (13.10m)	60' (18.30m)
U19	12" (30.50cm)	43' (13.10m)	60' (18.30m)
U23	12" (30.50cm)	43' (13.10m)	60' (18.30m)
ADULT	12" (30.50cm)	43' (13.10m)	60' (18.30m)
MASTERS	12" (30.50cm)	43' (13.10m)	60' (18.30m)

Male

Age	Ball Size	Pitching Distance	Baselines
U5	11" (27.95cm)	30' (9.14m)	45' (13.70m)
U7	11" (27.95cm)	30' (9.14m)	45' (13.70m)
U9	11" (27.95cm)	30' (9.14m)	45' (13.70m)
U11	11" (27.95cm)	33' (10.06m)	50' (15.24m)
U13	11" (27.95cm)	38' (11.58m)	55' (16.76m)
U15	12" (30.50cm)	42' (12.80m)	60' (18.30m)
U17	12" (30.50cm)	46' (14.00m)	60' (18.30m)
U20	12" (30.50cm)	46' (14.00m)	60' (18.30m)
U23	12" (30.50cm)	46' (14.00m)	60' (18.30m)
ADULT	12" (30.50cm)	46' (14.00m)	60' (18.30m)
MASTERS	12" (30.50cm)	46' (14.00m)	60' (18.30m)



SLO-PITCH OPERATING RULES

Rule 1: RESIDENCY

Players signing with teams, which are registered with the Association, must be residents of Saskatchewan as of May 1st of the current playing year. Categories, which lead to a Canadian Championship, must adhere to the Softball Canada residence rule.

Rule 2: AFFILIATION/MEMBERSHIP

- A. Applications will be accepted from teams (players and coaches), league executives, and umpire associations. Approved applicants will receive a membership in the Association by paying the annually set affiliation fee accompanied by the Team Affiliation Certificate submitted to the Softball Saskatchewan office. To be covered by the Softball Saskatchewan Insurance and Benefits Program, teams (including players and coaches) must be affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan by May 1st.
- B. Affiliated teams attending a tournament will be covered by the Insurance and Benefits Program ONLY if the tournament is sanctioned by Softball Saskatchewan.
- C. Teams attending tournaments outside of Saskatchewan must obtain a travel permit to be covered by the Insurance and Benefits Program.
- D. Teams may affiliate to a maximum of twenty (20) players and five (5) coaches.
- E. Teams must be affiliated members of Softball Saskatchewan before they can register for provincial playoffs.
- F. The Association, through its Board of Directors, reserves the right to refuse any application for affiliation in Softball Saskatchewan.
- G. Slo-pitch affiliation fee structure- \$175.00/team.

Rule 3: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGISTRATION

Section 1: Fee Structure

Category	Player Quota	Provincial Registration Fee	Softball Canada Fee	Total
Men's 'Open'	17	\$111	\$850	\$961
Co-ed 'Open' (6 & 4)	20	\$111	\$850	\$961
Women's 'Open'	20	\$111	\$850	\$961

GST and PST are included in all registration fees where applicable.

Please note teams registering in 'open' categories can be eligible to attend Canadian Championships.

Section 2: Provincial Regulations

- A. Teams may register for provincial playoffs by submitting the completed Provincial Playoff team entry form and Letter of Intent to the Softball Saskatchewan office with appropriate fee by April 15th.
- B. A roster registration form listing all players and coaches, including signatures, must be submitted to the Softball Saskatchewan office by May 15th.
- C. Rosters must have a minimum of twelve (12) players on the roster registration form.
- D. All players and coaches/ managers must first be affiliated with Softball Saskatchewan before they can sign a roster registration form for Provincial Playoffs.
- E. A player shall be considered to be registered with a team when his/her name appears on a provincial roster registration form, which has been received by the Softball Saskatchewan office.
- F. Managers and coaches may NOT participate as players unless they are registered as such.

Rule 4: PLAYING RULES

- A. The slo-pitch rules outlined in the Softball Canada Rule Book will govern in all Provincial Championships.
- B. Bats: prior to each Provincial Championship the Provincial Playoff Representative, in cooperation with the UIC, will determine the eligibility of bats based upon the safety of the players.
- C. All offensive players must wear a batting helmet with two (2) ear flaps.

Rule 5: PLAYER PICKUPS FOR CANADIANS

Teams attending Canadian Championships may pick up a maximum of three (3) players provided they do not exceed the maximum size of roster for the championships. Players being picked up must have participated in the Provincial Slo-Pitch Championships during the year of competition.

Rule 6: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAWS

All Provincial Championships will utilize Round Robin draws whenever possible.

SOFTBALL SASKATCHEWAN BYLAWS

Softball Saskatchewan - (Called the "Association")

General Bylaw No. 1

A bylaw relating generally to the transaction of the activities and affairs of the Association.

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Section 1: Interpretation

1.1. Definitions

In these bylaws, unless the context otherwise requires:

- A. “Act”- the Non-profit Corporations Act (Saskatchewan), and any statute that may be substituted therefore, as from time amended.
- B. “Administrative District”- those districts established by Section 4 of these bylaws.
- C. “Appoint” included “Elect” and vice versa.
- D. “Articles”- the articles of incorporation, the articles of amalgamation of the articles of continuance of the corporation as the case may be as from time to time amended or restated.
- E. “Board”- the Board of Directors of the corporation.
- F. “Bylaws”- this bylaw and all other bylaws of the Corporation from time to time in force and effect.
- G. “Directors”- the members of the Board of Directors.
- H. “League”- a conference of two (2) or more softball teams that have agreed to associate for competition purposes and that are recognized by the Association.
- I. “Meeting of Members”- an annual meeting of members and a special meeting of members.
- J. “Member”- includes players, coaches, managers, members of a league, executive members, members of an umpire’s association included on an affiliation form, and individually registered umpires.
- K. “Operating Rules”- those rules and regulations passed by the board in accordance with paragraph 5.01 herein.
- L. “President”- the President of the board elected in accordance with paragraph 5.11.
- M. “Province”- Province of Saskatchewan.
- N. “Softball”- includes fast-pitch, slo-pitch, and modified/orthodox softball
- O. “Unanimous Member Agreement”- a written agreement among all the members of the corporation, or among all such members and a person who is not a member, that restricts, in whole or in part, the powers of the directors to manage the activities and affairs of the corporation, as from time to time amended.
- P. “Voting Delegate”- those individuals appointed by the members of the Association, in accordance with paragraph 8.04 and 8.05, to attend meetings of members.

1.2. Interpretations

Except as otherwise provided in section 1.01, words and expressions defined in the act have the same meanings when used herein; and words importing the singular number include plural and vice versa; words importing gender include the masculine, feminine, and neutral gender; words importing persons include individuals, bodies corporate, partnerships, trusts and unincorporated organizations.

Section 2: Preamble

2.1. Name

The name of the Association shall be “Softball Saskatchewan” (herein after referred to as the “Association”).

2.2. Jurisdiction

Softball Saskatchewan is the Provincial Sport Governing Body whose purpose is to foster, develop, promote, and regulate the playing of amateur fastpitch, slo-pitch, and modified/orthodox softball in Saskatchewan, within the framework of the Canadian Amateur Softball Association.

2.3. Aims and Objectives

The aims and objective of the Association are:

- A. To foster, develop, improve, promote, and regulate the playing of amateur fastpitch, slo-pitch, and modified/orthodox softball in Saskatchewan.
- B. To make, adopt, vary, and publish operating rules, bylaws, and constitutions for the regulation of the playing of amateur fastpitch, slo-pitch, and modified/orthodox softball in Saskatchewan.
- C. To institute, promote, and regulate tournament play in all classifications of amateur fastpitch, slo-pitch, and modified/orthodox softball as may be deemed to be in the best interest of amateur softball in Saskatchewan.
- D. To regulate amateur fastpitch, slo-pitch, and modified/orthodox softball in Saskatchewan with respect to competitions leading to Saskatchewan championships, and participation by Saskatchewan players or teams in Saskatchewan, interprovincial, national, or international championships.

- E. To subscribe to, become a member of, and cooperate with other associations. Whether incorporated or not, whose objectives are altogether, or in a part, similar to those of the Association.

Section 3: Membership

3.1. Membership

The membership of the Association shall consist of:

- A. Team members- being amateur softball teams (including players, coaches, and managers) that have agreed to comply with and abide by the bylaws and operating rules of the Association, as amended from time to time, and whose applications for membership have received the approval of the board.
- B. League members- being amateur softball leagues, all teams in which are members of the Association, and which leagues have agreed to comply with and abide by the bylaws and operating rules of the Association, and amended from time to time, and whose applications for membership have received the approval of the board.
- C. Umpire's association members- being amateur softball umpires and umpire associations interested in furthering the aims and objectives of the Association, and which have agreed to comply with and abide by the bylaws and operating rules of the Association, and whose applications for membership have received the approval of the board.
- D. Life members- being individuals recognized by the board as having contributed to the game of softball or having furthered the aims and objectives of the Association, and when nomination as a Life Member in the Association has been approved by the board.
- E. Highschool softball academies and university/ collegiate softball programs are eligible to be members of the Association by paying the annual association fee of \$50 and which have agreed to comply with and abide by the bylaws and operating rules of the Association and whose applications for membership have received the approval of the board.

3.2. Application for Membership

Application for membership shall be made to the Executive Director and the board may, in its absolute discretion, approve or refuse the application of any team, league, or umpire's association for membership in the Association.

Excepting that no amateur softball league may become a member of the Association unless all teams in such league are members of the Association. Nomination of an individual as a Life Member of the Association shall be made to the Executive Director and the Board, may, in its absolute discretion, approve or refuse any such nomination.

3.3. Membership Fees and Dues

Membership fees and dues shall be payable on an annual basis by a specified time and in such amounts as shall from time to time be fixed for an annual period by the Board of Directors. Team membership fees and dues for different age groups may vary.

Section 4: Administrative Districts

9.1. Administrative Districts

For the purpose of the Association and for the purpose of carrying out the aims and objectives of the Association, the province of Saskatchewan shall be divided into the following eight administrative districts:

- A. District 1- Southeast (Weyburn/Estevan)
- B. District 2- Regina
- C. District 3- Southwest (Moose Jaw/ Swift Current)
- D. District 4- South Central (Yorkton/ Melville)
- E. District 5- Central (Humboldt/ Southey)
- F. District 6- Saskatoon
- G. District 7- Northwest (North Battleford/ Lloydminster)
- H. District 8- Northeast (Prince Albert/ Melfort)

9.2. District Boundaries

The boundaries of the administrative district may be established and varied from time to time in the discretion of the board.

Section 5 Directors

5.1. Board of Directors

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by the board, which shall consist of a president (elected), past president, eight (8) directors that are elected from each of the eight (8) administrative districts, and one (1) director appointed by the board of directors for the position of Aboriginal Director. Without restricting the generality of the foregoing, the board may make, amend, or repeal all operating rules and decisions in respect of matters pertaining to:

- A. The game of softball.
- B. The format, scheduling, administering, and playing of tournaments and playoffs
- C. The classification of players, teams, and leagues
- D. The qualifications of players, teams, and leagues.
- E. The eligibility of any player to be a member of, or play, for any team or in any league.
- F. The eligibility of any coach or manager to coach or manage any team or in any league.
- G. The eligibility of any team to play in any league.
- H. The eligibility of any member of an umpire's association to umpire the game of softball.
- I. The better carrying out of the aims and objectives of the Association.

5.2. Special Determining Powers

Without restricting the generality of paragraph 5.01, the board may govern, regulate, and make decisions respecting any matter concerning the affairs of the Association and, in particular, but without limitation, has the authority to:

- 1. Appoint one or more persons to represent the Association at the annual meeting of the Canadian Amateur Softball Association.
- 2. Govern, regulate, and make decisions respecting any matter.
- 3. Concerning amateur fastpitch, slo-pitch, and modified/orthodox softball in Saskatchewan.
- 4. Govern, regulate, and make decisions respecting any matter.
- 5. Concerning play-off and tournament play in Saskatchewan.
- 6. Suspend the membership of any member of the Association for any reasons it deems sufficient.
- 7. Rule that any player is ineligible to be a member of or play for any team or in any league.
- 8. Rule that any coach or manager is ineligible to coach or manage any team or in any league.
- 9. Rule that a member of any umpire's association is ineligible to umpire in any league.
- 10. Rule that any team is ineligible to play in any league.
- 11. Deal with, decide, and settle any matter, issue, or question not expressly provided by the bylaws or operating rules of the association. All decisions made by the board are final.

5.3. *Nomination and Election Procedures*

A. Nominations for the Board of Directors:

- i. Any current member may submit a written nomination for a candidate to be elected to the Board, to the Executive Director, by April 1st of the election year. An individual may not nominate him or herself of election. The President may be a resident of any administrative district. District director's must be a permanent resident of the administrative district from which they are elected. Any person seeking to be elected as a director of the Association must be a team member, league member, or umpire's association member. The nomination shall be accompanied by a personal profile and a consent form signed by the nominee (an electronic signature is sufficient for this purpose).
- ii. Notice of the nomination and copies of the consent form and personal profile shall be circulated to the members that register to attend the annual general meeting.
- iii. A candidate may withdraw from the election any time prior to the start of voting.
- iv. A paid employee of Softball Saskatchewan, or any local softball association, shall not be entitled to be nominated for election as a director.

B. Election of Directors

- i. Association elections shall be carried out by a written ballot at the annual general meeting.
- ii. The president and directors shall be elected on separate ballots. To be elected a candidate must receive fifty (50) percent plus one (1) of the votes cast. Until a candidate reaches this majority, the candidate receiving the least number of votes on any ballot shall be removed from the next ballot to be cast for the office.

C. Period of Office

- i. The directors of the association shall continue in office until their respective successors are duly elected or appointed as provided by these bylaws.

D. Resignation or Termination of Office

- i. A director may resign his/her office by forwarding a writing resignation to the Executive Director of the Association.
- ii. A director may be removed from office by a resolution to that effect passed by a three-quarters (3/4) vote of the members at any annual general meeting. A director may be removed or suspended from office for any conduct deemed detrimental to the Association by a unanimous vote of all remaining directors. An appeal of this decision may be made by the members at the next annual general meeting.
- iii. Where the position of a director becomes vacant for whatever reason, the remaining directors may appoint a qualified individual to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the vacant position's term of office.
- iv. The aboriginal director position appointed to the Board will be a person of aboriginal ancestry and must be a resident of Saskatchewan.
- v. Directors from administrative districts 1, 2, 3, and 4 shall be elected in the south region at the annual general meeting in April 2020 in Regina (these elections would then be held every two (2) years in Regina). These 2-year terms= unlimited terms.
- vi. Directors from administrative districts 5, 6, 7, and 8 shall be elected in the north region at the annual general meeting in April 2019 in Saskatoon (these elections would then be held every two (2) years in Saskatoon). These are 2-year terms= unlimited terms.
- vii. The aboriginal director appointed by the Board shall serve a 2-year term from the date of appointment. Should this director for some reason be unable to complete their term, then the Board may appoint another person to the position.
- viii. The past-president shall serve as an inactive member of the Board of Directors for two (2) years. This term may be extended upon a majority vote by the Board of Directors.

5.4. *Quorum of Directors*

The quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board shall be five (5) members of the Board of Directors (directors and/or president) or such greater number as the Board may from time to time determine.

5.5 Action by the Board

The powers of the Board may be exercised by resolution passed at a meeting at which a quorum is present or by resolution in writing signed by all directors entitled to vote on the resolution at a meeting of the Board.

5.6. Meetings

Meetings of the Board shall be held from time to time and at such places as the President may determine. If all directors consent, a director may participate in a meeting of the Board or of a committee of the Board by means of telephone facilities enabling all persons participating in such meeting by such means is deemed to be present at the meeting. Any such consent shall be effective whether given before or after the meeting to which it relates and may be given with respect to all meetings of the Board and committees of the Board held while a director holds office.

5.7. Notice of Meeting

The Board of Directors shall meet on a regular basis. Notice of the time and place of each meeting of the Board shall be given to each director no less than seven (7) days before the meeting is held. The Board of Directors may meet without notice when a quorum of the Board has voted to do so.

5.8. President

A president will be elected for a three (3) year term (two (2) terms maximum= six years) at the annual general meeting in April 2019 in Saskatoon. The president shall:

- A. Preside at all Association and Board Meetings.
- B. Be an ex-officio member of all Association committees.
- C. Supervise the general administration and management of the Association.
- D. Supervise the work of the Executive Director.
- E. Supervise tasks assigned to members of the Board and ensure that all Association constitution, bylaws, operating rules, and policies are respected.
- F. At the first meeting of the Board following the annual general meeting, ensure that the Board elect a director as vice-president who shall perform the duties of the president in his/her absence.

5.9. Treasurer

The Board shall appoint a treasurer for a one (1) year term that shall:

- A. Be responsible for supervising the receipt of all monies received by the Association and for the deposit of the same in such bank, credit, union, or trust company as may be designated by the Board.
- B. Present a full and detailed account of receipts and disbursements to the Board whenever requested.
- C. When directed by the Board, cause to be prepared an audited statement of financial position of the Association.
- D. Perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of treasurer.

5.10. Votes to Govern

Every question at all meetings of the Board shall be decided by a majority of votes cast on the question. In case of an equality of votes, the President shall be entitled to cast a vote.

5.11. Remuneration and Expenses

The directors shall serve without remuneration and no director shall directly or indirectly receive any profits from his or her position as such, except:

- A. A director may be reimbursed for such reasonable expenses as may be incurred in the performance of his or her duties.
- B. A director who is also appointed an officer of the Association by the Board, in his capacity as an officer, be entitled to receive such remuneration as is established by the Board pursuant to paragraph 6.01.

5.12. Committee of Directors

The Board may, from its numbers, appoint committees of directors and may delegate to such committees any of the powers of the Board except those which, under the Act, a committee of directors has not authority to exercise. Any committee so appointed may, subject to the resolution of the Board and the bylaws, meet for the transaction of business, adjourn, and otherwise regulate, its meetings as it sees fit.

5.13. Advisory Committees

The Board may, from time to time, appoint such other committees as it may deem advisable, but the functions of any such other committees shall be advisory only.

Section 6: Officers

6.1. Appointment

Subject to any unanimous member agreement, the Board may elect or appoint officers of the Association. The offices to be filled and the duties of such officers shall be those designated by the Board and until duties are designated, shall be those usually pertaining to such offices. Where a person has more than one office, each office shall be deemed separate from the others and an officer may sign documents or describe himself by any one or more of the offices he holds, or he may use the name of all offices held by him. The terms of employment and the remuneration of officers appointed by the Board shall be settled by it from time to time.

6.2. Executive Director

Without restricting the generality of section 6.01, the Board shall appoint an Executive Director who shall be responsible for the day-to-day business of the Association and shall be accountable only to the Board.

6.3. District Liaisons

Without restricting the generality of Section 6.01, the Board shall appoint the Umpire-in-Chief, three (3) Deputy Umpire-in-Chief's, and district liaisons for the coordination of softball program development, in each administrative district. All liaisons appointed by the Board must be residents of the district which they represent.

6.4. Term of Office

The Board may at any time, in its discretion, remove any officer of the Association, without prejudice to such officer's rights under any employment contract. Otherwise, each officer appointed by the Board shall hold office for the term of his appointment or until his successor is appointed.

Section 7: Dispute Resolution

All matters related to dispute resolution will be resolved according to the Softball Saskatchewan Dispute Resolution Suite which includes:

- A. Code of Conduct Policy
- B. Conflict of Interest Policy
- C. Discipline & Complaints Policy
- D. Alternate Dispute Resolution Policy
- E. Appeal Policy
- F. Complaints & Appeals Supplement

Section 8: Meetings of Members

8.1. Annual Meetings

The annual meeting of members shall be held during the month of April each year at such time and at such place in Saskatchewan as the Board may, from time to time, determine.

8.2. Special Meetings

Special meetings of members may be held at such times and places as may be determined by the Board. All business transacted at a special meeting of members, or at an annual meeting of members, other than:

- A. Consideration for financial statements.
- B. Consideration of an auditor's report.
- C. The election of directors.
- D. The reappointment of an incumbent auditor.
- E. The consideration of bylaws submitted by the directors is deemed to be special business.

8.3. Notice of Meetings

Notice of the time and place of each meeting of members shall be given in such a manner as may be directed by the Board no less than fifteen (15) days before and no more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting to each director, member, zone, regional coordinator, the Umpire-in-Chief, Deputy Umpire-in-Chief and the auditor. Any such person may, in any manner, waive notice of, or otherwise consent to a meeting of members, and the attendance of any such person at a meeting, except where he attends for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the grounds that the meeting is not lawfully called if in advertence does not nullify a meeting. Notice of a meeting at which special business is to be transacted, shall state:

- A. The nature of that business is sufficient detail to permit the members to form a reasoned judgement therein.
- B. The text of any special resolution to be submitted to the meeting.

8.4. Members Votes

Each team member, league member, and umpire's association member shall be entitled to appoint one (1) of their numbers as a voting delegate to attend meetings of members. Only the voting delegates, so appointed, shall attend at meetings of the members. Each voting delegate shall have the right to exercise one (1) vote at any meeting of the members.

Team members may appoint a voting delegate only from their respective rosters of players, coaches, and managers.

League members may only appoint one of their executive members as a voting delegate.

Umpire's association members may appoint a voting delegate only from their respective umpire's association executive.

Life members are entitled to attend and be heard at any meetings of members but are not entitled to vote at any such meetings.

8.5. Voting by Officers

In addition to the voting delegates described in paragraph 8.4., the following shall be entitled to be present and exercise in person one (1) vote at any meeting of the members:

- A. Each member of the Board.
- B. The Umpire-in-Chief
- C. Three (3) Deputy Umpire-in-Chief's
- D. The Master Learning Facilitator
- E. All district liaisons appointed by the Board.

8.6. No Voting by Proxy

No member, or other person entitled to vote at any meeting of members, shall be entitled to vote by proxy.

8.7. Chairman of Meetings

The chairman of any meeting of members shall be the President of the Board, or in his absence, any other director of the Association.

8.8. Votes to Govern

Every question raised at any meeting of the members shall, unless otherwise required by these bylaws, be determined by the majority of votes cast on the question. In case of an equality of votes, either upon a show of hands or upon a ballot, the President shall be entitled to cast a vote.

8.9. Show of Hands

Any question at a meeting of the members shall be decided by a show of hands, except when:

- A. The election of directors shall be made by secret ballot.
- B. A secret ballot shall be held upon request of ten (10) voting delegates.

8.10. Quorum

Twenty (20) voting delegates present at any meeting of the members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 9: Financial Matters

9.1. Accounts

- A. All approved accounts shall be paid by cheque.
- B. All cheques written on the operating account at the provincial office of the Association shall be signed by two (2) of the following: President, Treasurer, or Executive Director.
- C. If the Treasurer is unable to act, the President or appointed director shall perform the duties of the Treasurer.

9.2. Audit and Inspection of the Books

- A. The books and records of the Association shall be kept by the Executive Director under the strict supervision of the Treasurer and shall be audited each year by an independent auditor. This independent auditor shall be designated by the Board at its first regular meeting following the annual general meeting.
- B. The books and records of the Association may be inspected by members of the Association, by appointment made through the office of the President, at the provincial office of the Association. Such a member must be in good standing with the Association. The expenses of travel, housing, and loss of time inspecting the books shall be borne by the requesting member.

9.3. Borrowing Power

Upon resolution passed by no less than three-quarters of the Board, the Association may from time to time:

- A. Borrow money upon the credit of the Association.
 - a. Issue, reissue, sell or pledge bonds, debentures, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness or guarantee of the Association, whether secured or unsecured.

- b. Mortgage, hypothecate, pledge, or otherwise create an interest in or charge upon all or any property (including the undertaking rights) of the Association, owned or subsequently acquired by way of mortgage, hypothecate, pledge or otherwise, to secure payment of any such evident of indebtedness or guarantee of the association. Nothing in this section limits or restricts the borrowing of money by the Association on bills of exchange or promissory notes made, drawn, accepted, or endorsed by or on behalf of the Association.

9.4. Indemnities to Directors and Others

Every director or officer of the Association, or other person, who has undertaken or is about to undertake any liability on behalf of the Association or any company controlled by it and their heirs, executors and administrators, and estate and effects, respectively, shall from time to time and at all times, be indemnified and saved harmless out of funds of the Association, from; and:

- A. All cost, charges, and expenses whatsoever which such director, officer, or other person sustains or incurs in or about any action, suit or proceedings which is brought, commenced, or prosecuted against him, or in respect of any act, deed, matter of thing whatsoever made, done or permitted by him, in or about the executive of the duties of his office or in respect of any such liability.
- B. All other costs, charges, and expenses which he sustains or incurs in or about or in relation to the affairs thereof, except such costs, charges or expenses as are occasioned by his own willful neglect or default.

Section 10: Amendment

- A. Amendments to the bylaws shall be made by resolution from a member or the Board of Directors.
- B. A notice of motion to amend the bylaws must be received in writing by the provincial office of the Association by April 1st and the provincial office of the Association shall forward copies of all notices of motions to the membership at least seven (7) days prior to the annual general meeting for those members registered for the annual general meeting.
- C. When a notice of motion has not been served as provided for in B)

above of this section 10.01, the bylaws may be enacted, repealed, or amended at any annual general meeting provided all voting members present at the annual general meeting are in favour of having the matter discussed on the floor. If such a unanimous vote is obtained then two-thirds majority is required to enact, repeal, or amend the particular bylaw.

- D. This bylaw shall be amended in accordance with the provisions of the act.

Section 11: Effective Date

Subject to its confirmation by the members, in accordance with the Act, this bylaw shall come into force on the date it is passed by the Board.





2023 CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP DATES & LOCATIONS

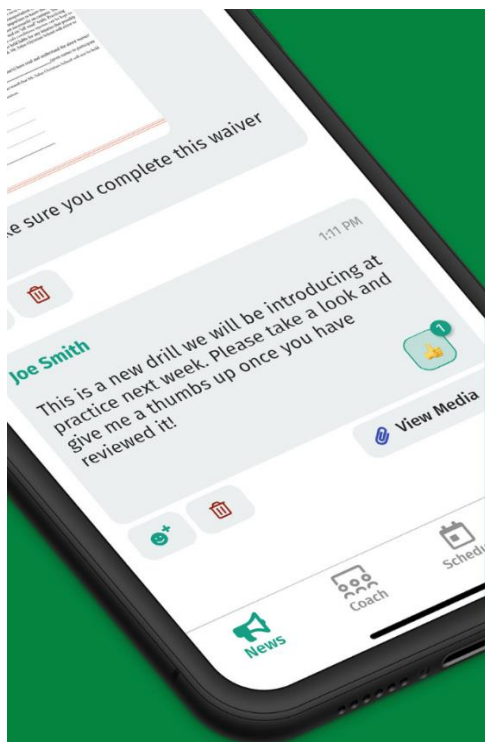
U15 Girls	Brandon, MB	August 9 -13
U15 Boys	Prince Albert, SK	August 9 - 13
U17 Girls	Saskatoon, SK	August 9 - 13
U17 Boys	Fredericton, NB	August 2 – 6
U19 Women's	Langford, BC	August 2 – 6
U20 Men's	Napanee, ON	August 15 – 20
U23 Women's	Montreal, QC	August 16 – 20
U23 Men's	Saskatoon, SK	August 2 – 6
Women's	Montreal, QC	August 16 – 20
Men's	Surrey, BC	August 30 – September 3
Master Men's	Surrey, BC	August 30 – September 3



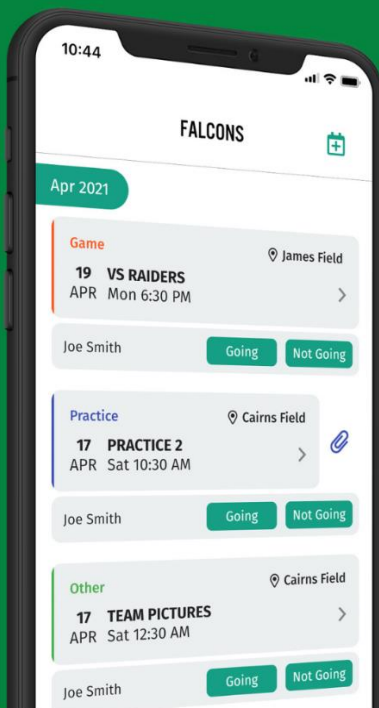
2023 WESTERN CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP DATES & LOCATIONS

U13 Boys	TBA	Alberta
U15 Boys & Girls	TBA	British Columbia
U17 Boys & Girls	TBA	Manitoba
U19 Women's	August 4 – 7	Regina, SK
U20 Men's	August 4 – 7	Regina, SK
U23 Women's	TBA	TBA
Men's & Women's	TBA	Manitoba
Master Men's & Women's	TBA	Alberta





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For all coaches in the U9 age category. This app will allow coaches flexibility in building and sharing practice plans along with other amazing features.

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- Three flexible ability levels.
- Soft-core ball for safety and to encourage proper use of new skills
- Scheduled parent involved to provide maximum repetitions necessary to learn
- Simple activities provide high success rates
- Pitcher development
- Modifications to match characteristics of children
- Emphasis on skill development encourages proper skill rather than the development of "coping" skills that are often the negative result of traditional "game" focused programs.
- Gradual progression and introduction to competition.

For more information, or to book a coaches/parents orientation,
contact our Program Coordinator,
Jacqueline Eiwanger at (306) 780-9235 or jac@softball.sk.ca

The logo for the U9 Festival features the text "U9" in a large, bold, white sans-serif font, with "FESTIVAL" in a slightly smaller, bold, white sans-serif font below it. To the right of the "U9" is a circular emblem for Softball Saskatchewan, which contains a stylized "S" and "S" in green and white. The entire logo is set against a black background with a green dotted pattern.

U9 FESTIVAL

This festival is a unique 2-day tournament for U9 players. We utilize modified U9 rules that encourage development and participation, regardless of player skill level. We also have a Skills Zone and FUN Zone to add excitement to the event.

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Dates: AUGUST 18 - 20 **Location:** TBD

Featuring District All-Star teams!

For players born in 2010 and 2011.

Any Association who is interested in hosting this even is asked to contact the Softball Saskatchewan office.

If you are interested in coaching, contact your District Director by July 1st.

Contact your District Director or the Softball Saskatchewan office for more information.

MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (M.A.P.) GRANTS

Softball Saskatchewan receives funding from Sask. Sport Inc. to provide Programs for our members. Following is a list of M.A.P. Grants available from Softball Saskatchewan.

- A. **Provincial Championships**- maximum \$250.00/team participating
- B. **N.C.C.P. Coaching Clinic** - covers all expenses except registration fees and manuals.
- C. **Umpire Certification Schools** – development for umpires of all ages and abilities.
- D. **Athlete Skills Clinics** – provide clinics on basic skills, pitching, and hitting.
- E. **Timbits Orientations** – provide orientations for coaches and parents teaching athletes under 9 years of age.
- F. **Softball Development** – provide minor leagues with resources to purchase equipment and softballs while allowing adult leagues to assist with umpire costs for year-end tournaments.

For more information on the above M.A.P. Grants, please contact the Softball Saskatchewan office.



SOFTBALL SASKATCHEWAN UMPIRE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE POLICY

Section 1: Vision and Goals

Vision Statement

That the Softball Saskatchewan Umpire Program in partnership with the Softball Canada Umpire Program, local Umpire Associations and District U.I.C.'s provide leadership in identifying, developing, and promoting officials and programs necessary to effectively service our membership.

Goals

To ensure that quality programs and services are provided in a safe and inclusive environment that is created to address the wants, needs and development of our members.

To provide quality opportunities and initiatives that will help recruit new and retain existing members.

To provide quality information and instruction to educate all members.

To ensure access to quality growth opportunities by providing consistent and accountable evaluation programs in a timely manner to all members.

To ensure communication is provided in a timely and consistent basis that creates an awareness of programs and services related to umpire recruitment and development.

Section 2: Umpire Development Committee Structure

- A. The Umpire Development Committee (UDC) shall consist of one (1) member of the Board of Directors, Umpire-In-Chief and four (4) Deputy Umpire-In-Chiefs (DUIC-North, DUIC-South, DUIC-At Large North, DUIC-At Large South). All five (5) Umpire-In-Chief positions are appointed by the Board of Directors.**
- B. The UIC, DUIC-South and DUIC At Large North positions will be appointed in even years and the DUIC-North and DUIC-At Large South positions will be appointed in odd years. Applications will be accepted on December 1st for the next 2-year term.**

Section 3: Budget

The budget for the umpire program is prepared by the Umpire Development Committee, approved by the Board of Directors, and administered by the Executive Director.

Section 4: District U.I.C.

- i. The U.I.C., in consultation with the District Director, shall appoint the respective District U.I.C.
- ii. Term of office shall be unlimited.

Section 5: Registration

A. Softball Saskatchewan Registration

- i. Attend a Provincial umpire clinic yearly and pay the registration fee set by Softball Saskatchewan. (Must be a registered Softball Saskatchewan Umpire to work Provincial Playoffs)
- ii. Umpires selected for a Western or Canadian Championship must attend an Umpire Clinic.
- iii. *Active Umpires:* An umpire who renews their certification and passes all requirements.
- iv. The On-line Exam must be completed by July 1st.

B. Registration Fees

Under 18 years of age (ALL LEVELS) Born: 2005 or later	\$35.00
Level 1 & Retired	\$70.00
Level 2	\$80.00
Level 3	\$95.00
Level 4 & 5	\$100.00

All umpires are also registered with Softball Canada and the \$18 Softball Canada registration fee is included as part of the above fee.

C. Certification Levels

- i. Individuals must be a minimum of twelve (12) years of age to register as an umpire.
- ii. **Retired:** Umpires retired from the work force, may maintain their current level of certification, and register provincially and with Softball Canada but shall not be eligible for Western Canadian Championships.

Level 1

Pre-requisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
Training Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend an umpire clinic.• Obtain 60% or more on the Level 1 Certification Exam.
On-field Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Officiate local minor or adult softball and Provincials
Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend a provincial umpire clinic once every two (2) years• Write the Softball Canada exam and obtain 60% or more

Level 2

Pre-requisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Certified Level 1 Umpire for a minimum of one (1)• Be at least 16 years of age
Training Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend an umpire clinic• Obtain 70% or more on the Level 2 Certification Exam
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receive one (1) successful local or regional evaluation
On-field Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Officiate at local and provincial level and/or adult softball
Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend a clinic once every two (2) years.• Write Softball Canada exam and obtain 70% or more

Level 3

Pre-requisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Certified Level 2 umpire for a minimum of two (2) years.
Training Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend an umpire clinic• Obtain 80% or more on the Level 3 Certification Exam
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receive one successful evaluation
On-field Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Officiate provincial minor or adult softball• Qualified to officiate U19 Women's fast pitch, U20 Men's fast pitch, U23 Women's fastpitch, and U23 Men's fastpitch.
Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend a clinic annually• Write the Softball Canada exam and obtain 80% or more

Level 4

Pre-requisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Certified Level 3 umpire for a minimum of two (2) years.
Training Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receive two (2) successful evaluations by a provincial representative and recommendations forwarded to the UDC.• Receive a successful Level 4 evaluation at a U20 Men's, U19 Women's, or a Masters fastpitch Canadian Championship.
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend a Softball Canada Level 4 Umpire Theory Clinic.• Obtain 80% or more on the Level 4 Certification Exam
On-field Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Officiate provincial minor or adult softball.• Officiate a Canadian Championship• Receive a successful Level 5 Evaluation

Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend a clinic annually. • Write the Softball Canada Exam and obtain 80% or more. • Be active in Provincial officiating programs.
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Level 5: This program is operated by Softball Canada.

- D. Umpires Leaving the system (Level's 1-4): If an umpire does not officiate or register as an umpire for a period of two (2) or more years, they may return to their current level upon approval from the U.I.C. This may only happen once.

Section 6: Player and Coach Incident/Ejection Reports

Players and coaches who are ejected from a game or where an incident occurs must be reported. Umpires must complete a Game Incident/Ejection Report and submit to the Softball Saskatchewan office within three (3) days of the ejection. The Game Incident/Ejection Report is in a fillable format and available on the Softball Saskatchewan website. Game Incident/Ejection Reports must be completed for any League game, Sanctioned Tournament game, or Provincial Championship game.

Section 7: Evaluations

The Softball Saskatchewan Umpire Development Committee will establish an approved list of evaluators to do evaluations.

- A. Umpires travelling to Westerns or Canadians are 1st priority
- B. Supervisors will be compensated for the weekend expenses.
 - i. An honorarium and daily per diem.
 - ii. 0.47/km return mileage.
 - iii. Accommodations will be compensated if required.
- C. Evaluations are to be distributed as follows:
 - i. The umpire being evaluated will receive a copy.
 - ii. Softball Saskatchewan Office.
 - iii. The Provincial UIC and the District UIC.

- D. The Umpire Development Committee will organize two (2) Evaluation events annually one (1) in the north and one (1) in the south. These events may or may not be done at Provincial Championships. The UDC may assign umpires and evaluators to these events.

Section 8: Provincial Playoff Assignments

- A. The District Umpire-In-Chief will assign umpires to all Provincial Championships. Umpires assigned shall be those who live near the Championship location regardless of which district they live in.
- B. Provincial Championships leading to a Canadian Championship.
 - i. Umpires selected to a Canadian Championship **MAY** be assigned by the UDC to a Provincial Championship for an evaluation.
 - ii. The UDC will be responsible for any accommodations and transportation if necessary. Game fees are supplied by the host committee.
 - iii. The UDC **MAY** assign a qualified evaluator/supervisor to selected Provincial Finals to assess and assist the umpires.
 - iv. If more umpires are required, the District Umpire In-Chief will assign.

Section 9: Canadian/Western Applications

- A. Umpires may submit their intent to attend a championship the following year to the Executive Director by September 30th.
- B. Selections are based on the following:
 - i. Umpires are asked to apply progressively; you shall apply for Western Canadians before Canadians
 - ii. Umpires are eligible to apply for consecutive Westerns or Canadians

Section 10: Canadian and Western Selections

- A. The UDC shall select umpires for Canadians and Westerns from the applications received and recommendations from the UDC & District Umpire-In- Chief's, for submission to the Board of Directors for their approval.
- B. Umpires working Western Canadian or Canadian Championships shall be required to work Provincial Championships.
- C. Umpires may not be selected for all categories of a Canadian or Western Canadian Championship.
- D. Umpires selected to work any Western or Canadian Championship MUST attend an Umpire Clinic in the year of the Championship. In the Year that the UDC hosts an Elite Umpire Clinic this is the clinic that will be attended by all umpires assigned to a Canada Games, Western Canadian or Canadian Championships.
- E. Umpires Selected for a MINOR Canadian Championship must provide a Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Search by April 15th.

Section 11: Umpiring at Provincials

- A. Provincial Championship assignments:
 - i. The District Umpire-in-Chief will assign umpires to all Provincial Championships. Umpires assigned shall be those who live near the championship location, regardless of which district they live in.
 - ii. The Umpire Development Committee (UDC) MAY assign umpires to Provincial Championships which lead to a National or Western Canadian Championship.
- B. Provincial championship umpire fees shall be paid at a rate of:
 - i. **\$40 per game for plate/base umpire in U11 and U13 age categories**
 - ii. **\$45 per game for plate/base umpire in all age categories above U13.**

- iii. If a one (1) umpire system must be used, the umpire fee is \$60 per game.

NOTE: In addition, \$5.00 from every Provincial Championship game will be return, by the host, to Softball Saskatchewan for future umpire recruitment, retention, and development initiatives upon completion of the championship.

- C. The following expenses shall also be paid to umpires working Provincial Championships who must travel from outside the host center:
- i. Car allowance- \$0.47 per kilometre (both ways)
 - ii. Hotel/ motel allowance- actual costs.
- D. All umpire fees and expenses shall be paid for by the host organization and the Association shall not have any responsibilities therein.
- F. In all Provincial Championship games, the two (2) umpire system shall be used, unless the three (3) umpire system is requested by the hosting committee. In all U17 AA, U17 AW, U19 AA & AW, U23 A, and Men's and Women's A Provincial Championships, a three (3) umpire system must be used in the championship final game ONLY.

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INSURANCE PROGRAM

Coverage Eligibility

All registered players, managers, coaches and officials of Softball Saskatchewan, whose names are on file and in good standing with the association, are eligible for insurance coverage. Our insurance provider is AON Reed Stenhouse.

Please be advised that insurance coverage through Softball Saskatchewan is a secondary policy and is only to be used if the claimant has no other personal insurance coverage or has a claim beyond the limits of their personal coverage.

Request for Certificate of Insurance (To make a claim)

If you need a certificate of insurance for a sanctioned event, please fill out the certificate request form available on our website and email it to info@softball.sk.ca

Claim Information

All insurance claims must be received by Softball Saskatchewan and forwarded to All Sport within 30 days of the date of the accident. Please note that the insurance company does not pay medical bills directly and will not process incomplete forms. The claimant is responsible for paying all bills. All approved claims will be refunded directly to the claimant.

Claim Procedure

There are 3 easy steps for completing your insurance claim correctly.

Step 1

Download the claim instruction sheet available on our website.

Step 2

Download the required claim form(s):
Athletic Accident Claim Forms

Step 3

Send completed forms along with any invoices for expenses you incurred to info@softball.sk.ca

Questions?

Questions regarding the insurance coverage extended to members of Softball Saskatchewan should be directed to the Softball Saskatchewan Office 306-780-9235.

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RESPECT IN SPORT (RiS)

Softball Saskatchewan is committed to creating a sport environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity. Coaches have a responsibility to create a sporting environment that is free from harassment, abuse, bullying and neglect. **Softball Saskatchewan requires that ALL coaches participating in the sport of softball must complete the online Respect in Sport (RiS) certification, as required by Sask Sport Inc.**

The Softball Saskatchewan Respect in Sport policy can be found on our website.

To register:

- A. Visit the website <https://saskrc.respectgroupinc.com>
- B. Select "REGISTER A NEW USER"
- C. For username and password, please use your first and last name as entries for the username and no spaces should be included.
- D. When you have completed the registration, select "SUBMIT."
- E. Select the appropriate language.
- F. Read the program instructions
- G. Click "PROGRAM CONTENT" to start the Activity Leader Program

If you have already taken an equivalent program, visit our website for instructions on how to add softball to your profile.



TOLL FREE: 1-888-329-4009

TEXT: 1-306-717-9636

resourceline@respectgroupinc.com

MERCHANDISE & RESOURCES

Softball Resources	Price
2022/2023 Softball Canada Rulebook	\$15.00
Scorebook (25 games)	\$15.00
Line-up Cards	\$15.00
Umpire Accessories	
Indicators	\$10.00
Bat Rings	\$8.00
Promotional Items	
Softball Saskatchewan Hats	\$20.00
Softball Saskatchewan Pins	\$1.00
<i>GST/PST included in the above prices</i>	

AWARDS PROGRAM

Softball Saskatchewan is inviting nominations for the following awards:

Male & Female Athlete of the Year

- A. Include personal accomplishments for 2023 (i.e., recognition at Westerns or Canadians as all-star, MVP, Top Batter, or Top Pitcher).
- B. Include team accomplishments for 2023.
- C. Include other accomplishments or personal involvement in softball.

Coach of the Year

- A. Include accomplishments of your team in 2023.
- B. Include philosophy of coaching.
- C. Include other involvement in softball.

Volunteer of the Year

- A. Include all activities the nominee was involved with in 2023.
- B. Did the person do something “extra” or “special” in our sport?

Umpire of the Year

- A. Include accomplishments for 2023 and involvement with Softball Saskatchewan.
- B. Did the person do something “extra” or “special” in our sport?

Service Awards (3)

- A. Outline the individual’s involvement in Softball (i.e., coach, player, umpire, and volunteer).
- B. Highlight accomplishments and/or achievements.
- C. Indicate the number of years they have been in our sport.

Ed Mann Memorial Bursary (Male/Female - \$500 each)

This award is for individuals participating at the grassroots level. Include contributions made to our sport at the provincial and/or community level.

The Awards Program Nomination Form is available on our website:

Please submit a resume with the nomination form. The deadline for nominations for these awards is October 1st, 2023.

Send Nominations to: info@softball.sk.ca

NOTICE OF SOFTBALL SASKATCHEWAN 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2023 Softball Saskatchewan Annual General Meeting will be held Saturday April 29th virtually via Zoom.

Members wishing to attend must pre-register by contacting the Softball Saskatchewan office at info@softball.sk.ca on or before April 14th, 2023. Those who pre-register will receive their AGM materials via email prior to the meeting.

Remember, you will be actively participating in setting guidelines that will promote and foster the growth of fastpitch, slo-pitch, and orthodox softball in Saskatchewan.

I. Purpose

The Softball Saskatchewan Hall of Fame exists to recognize and honor those individuals and teams who have participated, served, represented and or impacted the sport of softball in Saskatchewan.

II. Nominations

- A. Nominations may originate from any current or former member(s) in good standing with Softball Saskatchewan. Nominations must be accompanied by documents covering in as great a detail as possible, the athletic accomplishments, or the service record or both, of the person(s) and or club or team being nominated. Letters of support from local softball organizations, leagues and Associations would be beneficial.
- B. Written nominations are encouraged to provide as much support documentation as possible covering the athletic, builder and or officials' accomplishments or the service record or both, of the person(s) nominated (e.g., newspaper clippings). The claimed accomplishments or service record shall be supported by documentary evidence where there is any possibility of doubt.
- C. Nominations must be in the hands of the Committee by **September 1st** for consideration that year.
- D. Successful nominees for the Hall of Fame will be inducted at the Annual General Meeting of Softball Saskatchewan. All nominations approved by the Awards Committee shall be forwarded for final approval to the Board of Directors of Softball Saskatchewan with a recommendation for enrollment in the Hall of Fame.
- E. Nominations to the Hall of Fame will remain active for a period of five (5) years. After this time the nominee will be notified to re-submit a new updated nomination.
- F. Successful nominees and information on the Hall of Fame will be included on a new Hall of Fame page on our Softball Saskatchewan Website.

III. General Eligibility

- A. To be eligible for nomination the nominee must have been a resident of Saskatchewan during most of the time for which outstanding performance/service is claimed.
- B. Except for exceptional circumstances, be retired from Softball Saskatchewan participation in their nominated category for at least five (5) years before being eligible for selection to the Softball Saskatchewan Hall of Fame.

IV. Specific Eligibility Criteria

The Softball Saskatchewan Hall of Fame will have the following categories and eligibility for induction:

A. Athletes

- A. Have made a significant contribution to the winning of a medal in a minimum of five (5) provincial championships; or
- B. Have made a significant contribution to the winning of a medal in a minimum of four (4) Western Canadian, or two (2) Canadian Championships; or
- C. Have compiled an outstanding record at Provincial, Western Canadian, Canadian, or international competitions for a period of at least ten (10) years.

B. Coaches

- A. Have coached, with distinction, at least six (6) teams at Provincial Championships (can be the same team or different teams); or
- B. Have coached, with distinction, at least four (4) teams at Western Canadian Championships or two (2) teams at Canadian Championships; or
- C. Have made notable contributions to the development of coaching in Saskatchewan or Canada.

C. Teams

- A. A club team that has won at least five (5) Provincial Championships within an eight (8) year period; or

- B. A club team that has represented Saskatchewan and won a medal in a least four (4) Western Canadian Championships withing a nine (9) year period; or
- C. A club team that has represented Saskatchewan and won a medal in a least three (3) Canadian Championships with a nine (9) year period; or
- D. A provincial team that has won a gold medal at a Canada Games.
- E. For a team to be eligible for induction most players must be over the age of 35 at the time of nomination.

D. Umpires

- A. Have been a registered Softball Saskatchewan umpire for a minimum of fifteen (15) years.
- B. Have umpired with distinction in a least five (5) Western Canadian Championships; or
- C. Have umpired with distinction in a least three (3) Canadian Championships; or
- D. Have made notable contributions to the development of umpires in Saskatchewan or Canada.

E. Builders

- A. Have served, with distinction, as a member of Softball Saskatchewan for a minimum of fifteen (15) years; and
- B. Have made significant contributions to the sport of softball in Saskatchewan or Canada in an exemplary manner.

V. Recognition

Each successful nominee with receive:

- A. One (1) acrylic trophy or plaque.
- B. A Hall of Fame pin for each recipient in attendance.
Additional pins may be purchased by those inductee's not in attendance at the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.

VI. Annual Limit

Each year Softball Saskatchewan shall have a limit of five (5) selections to the Hall of Fame.

2022 LIST OF AFFILIATED ASSOCIATIONS & LEAGUES

District 1 – Minor Associations

Alameda Minor Ball
Carlyle Minor Ball
Carnduff Minor Sports
Estevan Girls Softball
Grenfell Minor Ball
Indian Head Minor Ball
Kipling Minor Ball
Moosomin Minor Ball
Ochapowace Minor Ball
Oxbow Minor Ball
Perdue Minor Ball
Radville Minor Ball
Redvers Minor Ball
Quad Town Minor Ball
Wawota Minor Ball
Weyburn Minor Ball
White Butte Storm Softball

District 1 – Adult Associations

Pilot Butte Slo-Pitch League
White City Slo-Pitch League
South East Men's Fastball League
Lampman Ladies Ball League

District 2 – Minor Associations

Regina Minor Softball League

District 2 – Adult Associations

Regina Ladies League
Rambler Park Fastball League
Pacer Park Slo-Pitch League
Regina Senior Slo-Pitch League

District 3 – Minor Associations

Assiniboia Minor Ball
Cabri Minor Ball
Coronach Minor Ball
Bengough Minor Ball
Eastend Softball
Frontier Minor Sports
Gravelbourg Minor Ball
Hazlet Elks
Gull Lake Athletic Association
Kincaid Minor Ball
Lafleche Minor Ball
Leader Minor Ball
Maple Creek Minor Ball
Moose Jaw Minor
Mossbank Minor
Ogema Minor Ball
Rockglen Minor Ball
Shaunavon Youth Ball
Swift Current Minor Ball

District 3 – Adult Associations

Moose Jaw Senior Ladies Fastball

District 4 - Minor Associations

Canora Minor Ball
Churchbridge Minor Sports
Esterhazy Minor Ball
Ituna Minor Ball
Langenburg Minor Ball
Melville Minor Ball
Okanese Minor Ball
Preeceville Minor Ball
Stockholm Minor Ball
Yorkton Crush

District 5 – Minor Associations

Asquith Minor Ball
Beechy Minor Ball
Cupar Minor Ball
Davidson Junior Athletic Association
Delisle Minor Ball
Dundurn Minor Softball
Fort Qu'Appelle Minor Ball
Hanley Minor Ball
Humboldt Minor Ball
Kelvington Minor Ball
Langham Minor Ball
Lanigan Minor Ball
Lucky Lake Minor Ball
Lumsden Minor Ball
Martensville Minor Ball
Muenster Sports Club
Outlook Amateur Sports Association
Osler Minor Ball
Quill Lake Minor Ball
Rosebud Royals
Twin City Angels Softball
Wadena Minor Sports
Warman Minor Ball
Watrous Minor Ball
Watson Minor Ball
Wynyard Minor Ball

District 5 – Adult Associations

Richardson Pioneer Men's
Fastball League
Rosebud Royals
Last Mountain Ladies League

District 6 – Minor Associations

Saskatoon Minor Softball League

District 6 – Adult Associations

Saskatoon Amateur Softball Association

District 7- Minor Associations

Battlefords Minor Softball
Biggar Minor Ball
Doddsland/Plenty Minor Ball
Edam Minor Ball
Elrose Minor Ball Association
Glaslyn Minor Ball
Hillmond Minor Ball
Kerrobert Minor Ball
Kindersley Minor Sports
Lashburn Minor Ball
Luseland Minor Ball
Macklin Minor Ball
Maidstone Minor Ball
Meadow Lake Minor Ball
Paradise Hill Minor Ball
Rosetown Minor Athletic Association
St. Walberg Minor Ball
Turtleford Minor Ball
Unity Minor Ball
Wilkie Minor Ball

District 8 – Minor Associations

Arborfield Minor Ball
Big River Sports
Canwood Minor Sports
Carrot River Minor Ball
Debden Minor Ball
Duck Lake Minor Ball

Hague Minor Ball
Hudson Bay Minor Softball
Kinistino Minor Ball
Laird Minor Ball
Leoville Minor Ball
Melfort Minor Ball
Naicam Minor Sports
Nipawin Minor Ball
Porcupine Plain Minor Ball
Prince Albert Minor Softball
Association
Rosthern Minor Ball

Shell Lake Minor Ball
Shellbrook Minor Sports
Association
Spiritwood Minor Ball
Tisdale Minor Ball
Waldheim Minor Ball
Wakaw Minor Ball
Weirdale Minor Ball

District 8 – Adult Associations

Prince Albert Sportsman Fastball
League

SASKATCHEWAN COMMUNITIES BY DISTRICT

District 1

Alameda
Alida
Antler
Arcola
Avonhurst
Balgonie
Beaubier
Bellegarde
Bienfait
Broadview
Candiac
Carievale
Carlyle
Carnduff
Carry the Kettle
Ceylon
Colgate
Coppersands
Corning
Cowessess
Creelman
Davin

Edenwold
Edgeley
Emerald Park
Estevan
Estlin
Fairlight
Fertile
Fillmore
Fleming
Forget
Francis
Frobisher
Gainsborough
Gladmar
Glen Ewen
Glenavon
Goodwater
Gray
Grenfell
Halbrite
Handsworth
Indian Head
Kahkewistehaw

Kendal
Kennedy
Kenosee Lake
Khedive
Kipling
Kisbey
Kronau
Lajord
Lake Alma
Lampman
Lang
Langbank
Macoun
Manor
Maryfield
Mclean
Mctaggert
Midale
Milestone
Minton
Montmartre
Moosomin
North Portal

North Weyburn
 Ocean Man
 Ochapowace
 Odessa
 Oxbow
 Pangman
 Parry
 Pilot Butte
 Qu'Appelle
 Radville
 Redvers
 Riceton
 Rocanville
 Roche Percee
 Rokeby
 Sakimay
 Sedley
 Sintaluta
 Storthoaks
 Stoughton
 Torquay
 Tribune
 Tyvan
 Vibank
 Wapella
 Wawota
 Welwyn
 Weyburn
 White City
 Whitewood
 Wilcox
 Windthorst
 Wolseley
 Yellowgrass
 Zehner

District 2

Regina

District 3

Abbey
 Admiral
 Aneroid
 Assiniboia
 Avonlea
 Aylesbury
 Belle Plain
 Bengough
 Bethune
 Big Beaver
 Bracken
 Briercrest
 Brownlee
 Burstall
 Bushell Park
 Cabri
 Cadillac
 Carmichael
 Caron
 Caronport
 Central Butte
 Chamberlain
 Chaplin
 Claybank
 Climax
 Coderre
 Coronach
 Craik
 Crane Valley
 Dilke
 Disley
 Dollard
 Drinkwater
 Eastend
 Eatonia
 Ernfold
 Eyebrow
 Fife Lake

Findlater
 Fox Valley
 Frontier
 Glentworth
 Golden Prairie
 Grandview Beach
 Gravelbourg
 Gull Lake
 Hazenmore
 Hazlet
 Herbert
 Hodgeville
 Holdfast
 Kayville
 Keeler
 Kincaid
 Lafleche
 Leader
 Limerick
 Mankota
 Maple Creek
 Marquis
 Mazenod
 McCord
 Mendham
 Meyronne
 Moose Jaw
 Morse
 Mortlach
 Mossbank
 Neville
 Ogema
 Pense
 Penzance
 Piapot
 Ponteix
 Prairie View
 Prelate
 Richmond

Riverhurst
 Robsart
 Rockglen
 Rouleau
 Rush Lake
 Sceptre
 Shamrock
 Shaunavon
 Spring Valley
 Stewart Valley
 Swift Current
 Tompkins
 Tugaske
 Tuxford
 Val Marie
 Vanguard
 Verwood
 Viceroy
 Waldeck
 Webb
 Willowbunch
 Wood Mountain

District 4

Abernathy
 Atwater
 Balcarres
 Bangor
 Bredenbury
 Buchanan
 Calder
 Canora
 Carragana
 Cedar Villa Estates
 Churchbridge
 Deer Valley
 Dubuc
 Ebenezer
 Endeavour

Esterhazy
 Fenwood
 Fishing Lake
 Foam Lake
 Gerald
 Goodeve
 Grandora
 Grayson
 Hubbard
 Hvas
 Insinger
 Invermay
 Ituna
 Kamsack
 Katepwa
 Killaly
 Kuroki
 Langenburg
 Lebret
 Lemburg
 Lintlaw
 Macnutt
 Margo
 Melville
 Neudorf
 Norquay
 Okanese
 Pasqua
 Pelly
 Preeceville
 Rhein
 Saltcoats
 Sheho
 Springside
 Spy Hill
 Stockholm
 Stornoway
 Sturgis
 Tantallon

Theodore
 Togo
 Tuffnell
 Veregin
 Waldron
 West Bent
 Willowbrook
 Wroxton
 Yarbo
 Yorkton

District 5

Aberdeen
 Allan
 Annaheim
 Ardath
 Asquith
 Beechy
 Birsay
 Bladworth
 Bounty
 Bradwell
 Bremen
 Broderick
 Bruno
 B-Say-Tah
 Buena Vista
 Bulyea
 Burr
 Clavet
 Colonsay
 Conquest
 Corman Park
 Coteau Beach
 Craven
 Cupar
 Dafoe
 Dalmeny
 Davidson

Deer Valley
 Delisle
 Demaine
 Disley
 Drake
 Dundurn
 Duval
 Dysart
 Earl Grey
 Elbow
 Elfros
 Elstow
 Englefeld
 Fort Qu'Appelle
 Fosston
 Girvin
 Glen Harbour
 Glenside
 Govan
 Grand Coulee
 Guernsey
 Hanley
 Hawarden
 Humboldt
 Imperial
 Jansen
 Kelliher
 Kelvington
 Kenaston
 Lake Lenore
 Langham
 Lanigan
 Leroy
 Leslie
 Lestock
 Liberty
 Lipton
 Lockwood
 Loreburn

Lucky Lake
 Lumsden
 Macrorie
 Manitou Beach
 Markinch
 Martensville
 Meacham
 Middle Lake
 Mistusinne
 Mozart
 Muenster
 Nokomis
 Osler
 Outlook
 Pilger
 Plunkett
 Prud' Homme
 Punnychy
 Quill Lake
 Quinton
 Raymore
 Regina Beach
 Rose Valley
 Saskatchewan
 Beach
 Semans
 Shields
 Silton
 Simpson
 Skyview Estates
 Southey
 Spalding
 St. Benedict
 St. Brieux
 St. Gregor
 Strasbourg
 Strongfield
 Sunset Cove
 Thode

Tuscan Ridge
 Estates
 Vanscoy
 Viscount
 Vonda
 Wadena
 Warman
 Watrous
 Watson
 Wishart
 Wynyard
 Yellow Quill
 Young
 Zelma

District 6
 Saskatoon

District 7
 Alsask
 Aquadeo
 Arelee
 Battleford
 Biggar
 Borden
 Brock
 Cactus Lake
 Cando
 Coleville
 Cutknife
 Delmas
 Denzil
 Dinsmore
 Dodsland
 Dorintosh
 Eatonia
 Edam
 Elrose
 Eston

Evesham
 Fiske
 Flaxcombe
 Glaslyn
 Glidden
 Goodsoil
 Hafford
 Handel
 Harris
 Herschel
 Hillmond
 Kelfield
 Kerrobert
 Kindersley
 Kinley
 Kyle
 Landis
 Lashburn
 Livelong
 Lloydminster
 Lone Rock
 Loon Lake
 Luseland
 Macklin
 Madison
 Maidstone
 Major
 Marengo
 Marsden
 Marshall
 Mayfair
 Maymont
 Meadow Lake
 Medstead
 Meota
 Mervin
 Milden
 Neilburg
 Netherhill

Neulange
 North Battleford
 Onion Lake
 Paradise Hill
 Paynton
 Perdue
 Pierceland
 Plenty
 Rabbit Lake
 Radisson
 Rapid View
 Richard
 Rockhaven
 Rosetown
 Ruthilda
 Senlac
 Sovereign
 Speers
 Springwater
 St. Walburg
 Turtleford
 Unity
 Vawn
 Waseca
 Waterhen Lake
 Wilkie
 Wiseton

District 8

Arborfield
 Archerwill
 Aylsham
 Big River
 Birch Hills
 Bjorkdale
 Blaine Lake
 Candle Lake
 Canwood
 Carrot River

Chitek Lake
 Choiceland
 Christopher Lake
 Cudworth
 Debden
 Domremy
 Duck Lake
 Hague
 Hepburn
 Holbein
 Hudson Bay
 Kinistino
 Laird
 Leask
 Leoville
 Love
 Macdowall
 Meath Park
 Melfort
 Mistatim
 Mont Nebo
 Naicam
 Nipawin
 Paddockwood
 Parkside
 Pleasantdale
 Porcupine Plain
 Prince Albert
 Ridgedale
 Rosthern
 Sarilla Country
 Estates
 Shell Lake
 Shellbrook
 Spiritwood
 Spruce Home
 St. Louis
 Star City
 Stump Lake

Sylvania
Tisdale
Tobin Lake
Tway
Valparaiso
Wakaw
Waldheim
Weekes
Weirdale
Weldon
White Fox
Yellow Creek
Zenon Park

District 9
Air Ronge
Bear Lake
Beauval
Canoe Lake
Canoe Narrows
Cole Bay
Creighton
Cumberland House
Garson Lake
Ile-A-Lacrosse
Jans Bay
La Loche

La Ronge
Missinipe
Pelican Narrows
Pierson Lake
Pinehouse
Sandy Bay
Southend
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Timber Bay
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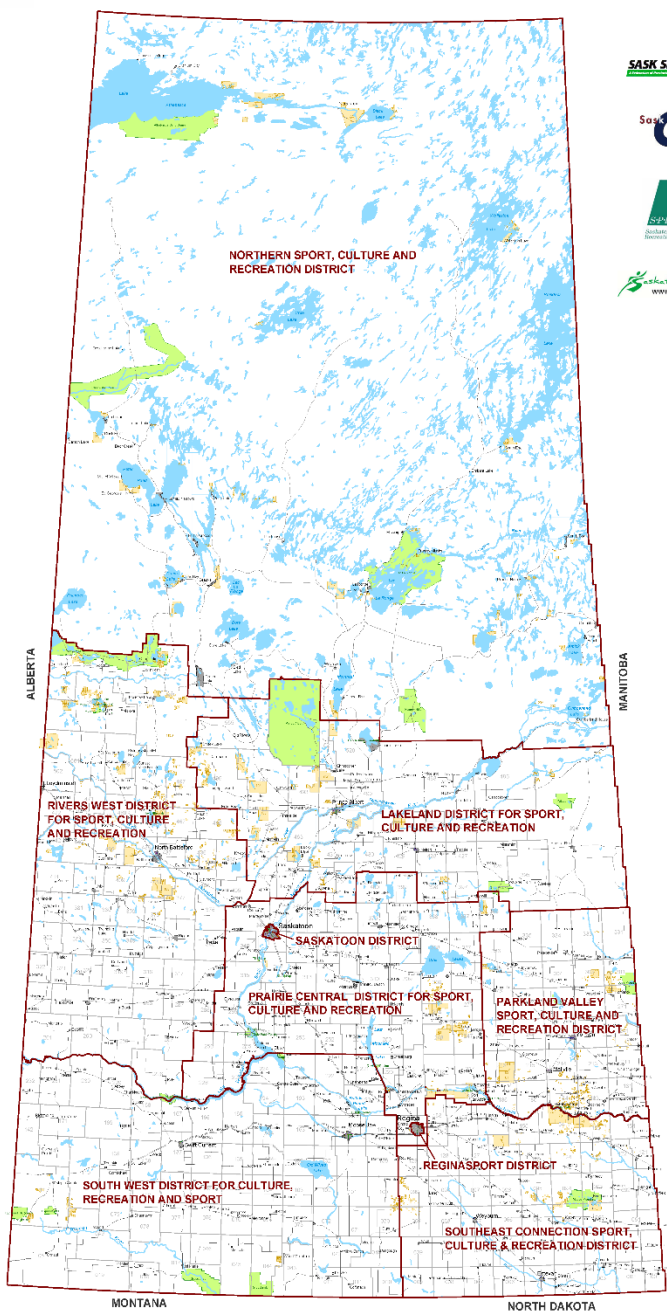
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