

December 2020



SOFTBALL SASKATCHEWAN

WINTER NEWSLETTER

PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 25TH TO JANUARY 3RD.



HOLIDAY WISHES AND MUSINGS

To say that 2020 has been a challenging year is definitely an understatement. But we have made it through and we even got a short season in.

We cannot wait to see everyone out come spring and we are incredibly thankful for your continued support as we prepare for the 2021 season.

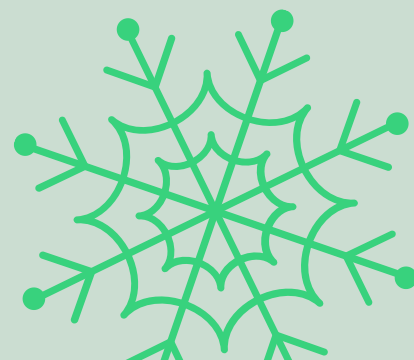
We are wishing everyone a joyous and safe holiday season and we will see you all in the new year!

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IMPORTANT DEADLINES

FORMS CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.SOFTBALL.SK.CA

JANUARY 31 - BID TO HOST SOFTBALL FEVER & PLAYER SKILLS CLINICS

FEBRUARY 1 - BID TO HOST FOR UMPIRE CLINICS

- DISTRICT TRANSFERS FOR U16A & U19A
- INTER-PROVINCIAL TRANSFERS FOR U16A & U19A

MARCH 15 - BID TO HOST TIMBITS PARENT/COACH CLINIC

APRIL 1 - BID TO HOST U10 FESTIVAL

- DISTRICT TRANSFERS FOR U12A & U14A
- INTER PROVINCIAL TRANSFERS FOR U12A & U14A
- NOMINATION DEADLINE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS & UDC

APRIL 15 - DISTRICT TRANSFERS FOR BW, B & C

MAY 1 - INTER PROVINCIAL TRANSFERS FOR BW, B & C

MAY 15 - AFFILIATION DEADLINE

- PROVINCIAL REGISTRATION FOR 'A' CATEGORIES

JUNE 1 - PROVINCIAL REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR ALL OTHERS

WINTER TRAINING

NOT SURE WHAT TO FOCUS ON FOR THIS TIME OF YEAR? WE RECOMMEND GETTING BACK TO BASICS TO TUNE UP AND ENFORCE GOOD HABITS THAT WILL HELP CARRY US THROUGH THE YEAR. THIS IS ALSO THE TIME OF YEAR TO OVERHAUL ANY PIECES THAT NEED MAJOR ADJUSTMENTS.





AFFILIATION

**THE AFFILIATION DEADLINE FOR 2021 IS MAY 15TH.
THIS WILL ALLOW FOR US TO CHECK CERTIFICATIONS
AND FINALIZE FEES IN A MORE TIMELY MANNER
PRIOR TO THE PROVINCIAL REGISTRATION DEADLINE.
WE WILL AGAIN BE USING AN EXCEL STYLE TEMPLATE
AND INCLUDING A SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION
GUIDE. TEMPLATES SHOULD BE AVAILABLE BY
FEBRUARY 1ST.**



**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT
MELISSA AT 306-780-9235.**

2021 SOFTBALL SASKATCHEWAN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**THE 2021 AGM WILL BE HELD IN SASKATOON AT THE DELTA
BESSBOROUGH AT 1601 SPADINA CRESCENT EAST ON APRIL 24TH.
TO SECURE YOUR SPOT, RSVP TO MELISSA BY APRIL 10TH.
ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD FOR THE DIRECTORS OF DISTRICTS 5, 6, 7 & 8.
NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL APRIL 1ST.**



2021 OPERATING RULE CHANGE HIGHLIGHTS

- **WE HAVE QUITE A FEW CHANGES COMING IN THE 2021 HANDBOOK. VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.SOFTBALL.SK.CA TO VIEW THE HIGHLIGHTS.**

THESE INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- **RULE 5: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - SECTION 5 COACH CERTIFICATION**
 - C. **ALL TEAMS REGISTERING IN A PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP CATEGORY THAT LEADS TO A CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIRES THE FOLLOWING:**
 - I. **HEADCOACH – MUST BE IDENTIFIED ON THE PROVINCIAL ROSTER AND MUST BE COMPETITION INTRODUCTION CERTIFIED AND MUST BE PRESENT AT THE PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP AND ON THE BENCH. IF THE HEAD COACH IS NOT IN ATTENDANCE AT ALL GAMES AND ON THE TEAM’S BENCH, THEN ALL COACHING STAFF WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE FIELD OR TO BE BASE COACHES.**
 - II. **ASSISTANTCOACHES (U14 & U16) – MUST BE IDENTIFIED ON THE PROVINCIAL ROSTER AND TO BE ELIGIBLE TO GO ON THE DIAMOND AND IN THE COACHES, BOX MUST BE A MINIMUM COMPETITION INTRODUCTION TRAINED.**
 - III. **ASSISTANT COACHES (U19 MEN & WOMEN, U23 MEN’S AND MEN’S & WOMEN’S) – MUST BE IDENTIFIED ON THE PROVINCIAL ROSTER AND TO BE ELIGIBLE TO GO ON THE DIAMOND AND IN THE COACHES, BOX MUST BE A MINIMUM COMPETITION INTRODUCTION CERTIFIED.**

NOTE: EFFECTIVE 2021 ALL TEAMS REGISTERING FOR PROVINCIALS MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF ONE COACH ON THE ROSTER WHO IS OF THE SAME GENDER AS THE DIVISION/CATEGORY THE TEAM IS REGISTERING IN. (IE: FEMALE TEAMS MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF ONE FEMALE COACH, MALE TEAMS MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF ONE MALE COACH).
- **RULE 5: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - SECTION 19: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS**

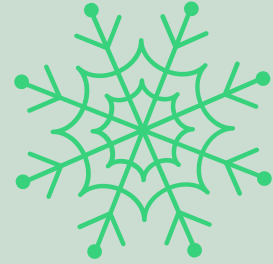
SOFTBALL SASKATCHEWAN WILL PROVIDE MEDALS TO THE TOP THREE (3) TEAMS IN ALL MINOR AGE DIVISIONS (U12, U14, U16 & U19). ADULT DIVISIONS WILL RECEIVE A PRIZE PACKAGE FOR THE PROVINCIAL CHAMPION AND FINALIST. WHEN NO PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP IS PLAYED, NO PRIZE PACKAGE IS PROVIDED. ALL PLAYERS AND COACHES IN THE U12, U14 AND U16 AGE DIVISIONS WILL RECEIVE A PARTICIPATION T-SHIRT.
- **RULE 6: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYING RULES - SECTION 2: U12 PLAYING RULES**
 - E. **CATCHERS**
 - I. **CATCHERS MAY CATCH A MAXIMUM OF THREE (3) INNINGS IN ROUND ROBIN GAMES AND MAY CATCH A MAXIMUM OF FOUR (4) INNINGS IN SEVEN (7) INNING CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND GAMES.**
- **RULE 7: CANADIAN/WESTERN CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS - SECTION 1: ELIGIBILITY**
 - VIII. **ALL TEAMS WHO DO NOT FULFIL THEIR OBLIGATIONS TO ATTEND CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL FORFEIT THEIR BOND OF \$5,000.00 AND THEIR \$850 SOFTBALL CANADA REG. FEE.**
 - IX. **TEAMS ATTENDING CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO PAY A SOFTBALL CANADA TEAM REGISTRATION FEE OF \$850.00 PER TEAM. THIS REGISTRATION FEE IS COLLECTED BY AND PAID TO SOFTBALL SASKATCHEWAN PRIOR TO A TEAM ATTENDING THE CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS.**

2021 Provincial Dates & Locations

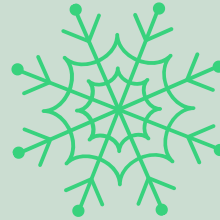
<u>Category</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>
U19A Womens	July 9-11	Regina
U19B Womens	July 9-11	Regina
U19C Women's	July 9-11	Regina
U16A Girls	July 2-4	Saskatoon
U16BW Girls	July 2-4	Saskatoon
U16B Girls	July 9-11	Swift Current
U16C Girls	OPEN	TBD
U14A Girls	July 2-4	Saskatoon
U14BW Girls	July 2-4	Unity
U14B Girls	July 2-4	Regina
U14C Girls	July 9-11	Macklin
U12A Girls	July 2-4	Prince Albert
U12B Girls	July 2-4	Regina
U12C North Girls	July 2-4	Meadow Lake
U12C South Girls	July 2-4	Odessa
U19A Men's	July 2-4	Saskatoon
U19B Men's	July 2-4	Saskatoon
U16A Boys	July 9-11	Prince Albert
U16B Boys	July 9-11	Prince Albert
U14A Boys	July 2-4	Shellbrook
U14B Boys	July 9-11	Pending
U12A Boys	July 2-4	Pending
U12B Boys	July 9-11	Pending
Women's A	July 15-17	Saskatoon
Women's B	July 15-17	Saskatoon
Women's C	July 23-25	Saskatoon
U23 Men's	June 25-27	Saskatoon
Men's A	July 15-17	Saskatoon
Men's B	July 15-17	Saskatoon
Men's C	July 23-25	Saskatoon
Master Men's	July 15-17	Saskatoon

2021 COACHING CLINICS

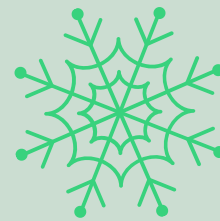
COACHING
COMMUNITY SOFTBALL COACH
SASKATOON - APRIL 24 & 25



COMPETITION INTRODUCTION
SASKATOON - MARCH 13-14 & APRIL 24-25
BALGONIE - MARCH 27-28 & APRIL 17-18



PLAYER SKILLS & UMPIRES
THESE WILL BE ADDED TO OUR WEBSITE AS
THEY BECOME AVAILABLE



ADDITIONAL CLINICS AND REGISTRATION DETAILS CAN BE FOUND AT
WWW.SOFTBALL.SK.CA

ALL CAMPS AND CLINICS WILL
BE SUBJECT TO THE
PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL
HEALTH GUIDELINES IN PLACE
AT THE SCHEDULED TIME OF
THE CAMP/CLINIC.





A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

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