

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Softball Team Managers
FR: Brad Raney, Recreation Supervisor
DT: April 27, 2014
RE: 2014 Softball Season

This note replaces the manager's meeting. You are responsible to share this information along with information in the team registration packet, player code of conduct, ASA participant manual, and League Handbook to your teammates. Season schedules are now available at www.crlasports.com and team packets must be picked up between now and May 11, 2014. Team packets include your season schedule, roster, line-up cards, scorebook, and ASA rule book.

New Rules

4. *CRLA extra hitter rule – optional for men and women's teams. Teams electing to utilize an extra hitter must notify the umpire prior to each game. The manager may bat as many players as he/she carries on the roster and play any 10 players in the field. Once the game has started, no more players can be added to the batting line-up, but they may be used as substitutes. If a player leaves or is injured and no substitutes are available, his/her team must take an out in that player's position in the batting order even if they are using an extra batter(s). **However, if a player is ejected and no substitutes are listed on the batting order, his/her team will forfeit the game even if they are using an extra batter(s).***

In Summary, if a player is ejected and there is no substitute, even if the team is batting 14 players in the line-up, that team forfeits the game. This follows the ASA rule (Rule 5 Section 4H, Rule 4 Section 1D, Rules Supplement #48) and was voted upon unanimously by the CRLA Softball Board to be the manner in which to deal with ejections. This is a change from previous league procedures.

Composite Metal/Wood Two Piece Bats (Corn Dogs Bats)

A bat with a composite metal handle and wood barrel has recently been sold in Casper. This bat is legal (provided it meet ASA approval) in Men's and Women's play and for Women in the Coed League. This bat is **not legal** for Men in Coed League play as it is not a wood bat and according to league rules, men must use wood bats in Coed League play.

Rosters

A copy of your roster is included in your team packet. If you have players listed who have not paid yet you will see an "NP" by their name. If there is black dot next to the name it means we need a player card for that player. You can add and pay for players up until your last regular season game at the Casper Recreation Center Front Counter. Copies of all rosters will be passed out the 2nd week of the season and posted online.

Player Eligibility

All players must pay the player fee and sign the waiver card in order to be eligible to play. If a player signs up to play the day of the game please carry the receipt to the game. **Players can only play on one Men's, Women's and Coed Team.** The protest procedure for ineligible players can be found in the league handbook.

Uniforms

The uniform rule goes into effect Monday, June 9, 2014. Uniforms must have numbers and be of the same color and style. Numbers should be easily visible and not taped or written on.

Alcohol and Glass Bottles (Casper Municipal Code)

12.36.030 - Glass beverage containers prohibited.

A.

No person shall have in his or her possession, or dispose of, any glass beverage containers in any city park. This prohibition applies to all circumstances, including activities allowed by city-granted permit.

B.

Any person violating any provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, and may be punished as provided in [Chapter 1.28](#) of this code, as amended.

(Ord. 15-89 §§ 1, 2, 1989)

12.36.040 - Alcoholic beverages and public intoxication.

A.

It is unlawful for any person to bring into, possess or consume any alcoholic or malt beverages on or in any public park or cemetery, or loiter in an intoxicated condition in such park or cemetery within or owned by the city.

B.

Upon application to the city manager or his duly authorized representative, any person may obtain permission to bring in, possess and consume alcoholic or malt beverages on or in the areas mentioned in subsection A of this section.

Sportsmanship

We expect the best sportsmanship in the Casper Recreation Leagues Association. You are responsible to read over the Player Code of Conduct and make sure your teammates are informed. Just a reminder: **any** foul language directed to an official, an official's call, another player, game staff, spectators, or anyone else will result in an immediate ejection from the game and suspension as outlined in the player code of conduct. This applies to all participants of the game whether they are playing, sitting on the bench, being a spectator, etc. An ejection for unsportsmanlike behavior not only affects that player and the umpire but it affects everyone playing in the game as the game will be forfeited if there is no listed substitute

Always represent yourself with class and good sportsmanship and have a great time playing!