

Coon Rapids Parks Department Softball - 2023 Summer Softball



Thank you for your interest in spring/summer adult softball offered by Coon Rapids Parks Department. If you have any questions regarding the leagues, please feel free to contact the League Director, Ryan Gunderson at (763) 767-6513 or rgunderson@coonrapidsmn.gov

2023 Registration Information - Frequently Asked Questions

When and how do I register a team?

To register a team, the manager must submit league registration and full payment during the appropriate time period listed below. **COON RAPIDS USES ACTIVENET SOFTWARE FOR REGISTRATION. Team Manager must log into their account through the online registration portal on the City website. (USE your current email and select the forgot password option to take control of account) Once an account is created you will be able to register online or in person at the Coon Rapids Civic Center: No team will be accepted without payment or by phone.** The following is a list of different ways you can register your team.

1. **Online** – Manager creates or logs into their account on the City registration portal (www.coonrapidsmn.gov) and then registers for the appropriate league. You will be able to pay by credit card online.
2. **In Person** – Once you have created an online account you may register at Coon Rapids Civic Center, 11155 Robinson Dr. Monday through Friday between 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The Center accepts payment by money order, cash, check or credit card (Visa, Mastercard, Discover).

Registration Dates:

REGISTRATION DATES (teams must register during their applicable dates below!)

(Registration will not be taken beforehand)

1. January 17th – Feb 3rd, 2023: All Returning (2022) Teams that meet eligibility requirements. In order to be eligible, all of the players (except for four) must have been on 2022 Roster. **Online will require your 2022 team name and manager's name.**

2. February 6th – March 31st or until full: All new team registrations on first come, first served basis.

- ✓ **When will we know what league we got into?**
You will be emailed a confirmation of your registration.
- ✓ **What do my fees pay for?**
All fees include balls, scorebooks, rulebooks, officials, league sanctioning, administration, awards and state sales tax. All leagues will be sanctioned with the MRPA/USSSA.
- ✓ **Do I need to send a team roster now?**
ROSTERS ARE DUE by your first game by sending to the league director.
- ✓ **What are the roster and eligibility requirements?**
 1. Minimum age for players is 18. (16 for Church Teams)
 2. Players must be listed on the team roster in order to play in league and/or post season games.
 3. Any team registering an ineligible player will be removed from the league prior to the start of the season. If ineligibility is determined after the season begins, the player will be removed from the league and the team will forfeit all games played to that point.
 4. All players' names must be printed or typed in addition to each player's address, phone number. All players MUST sign the roster before they are allowed to play.
 5. The maximum number of players that may be on the roster is 18.
 6. No roster changes may be made after June 1st.
 7. In the event that a team disbands before the scheduled games are complete, all the remaining games will be credited to their scheduled opponent. No refund will be made.
 8. The Parks Department reserves the right to place teams in leagues or divisions where there will be equalization of competition and/or allow teams opportunity to play.

✓ **What are the game rules?**

Coon Rapids league plays by house rules. USSSA sanctions umpires will be used and USSSA bat standards will be followed. Pitching will be house rule of a straight 3' from release -10' arc while the pitcher is allowed to pitch from a box up to 6' feet behind the pitching rubber.

-Bats: All bats need the "new" USSSA logo (thumb print) above the handle. Old USSSA bats are illegal for all league and tournament play in Coon Rapids. For a list of legal bats visit the USSSA National Website at www.ussa.com.

✓ **What times are games played and where?**

1. Game times will be 6:15, 7:15, 8:15 & 9:15 p.m. (unless otherwise noted on the schedule).
2. Games are played at Sand Creek Park fields 1-4. These fields are in the wheel on the south end of park. Please park by wheel.

✓ **When will we get our schedules?**

All of your information, including game schedules will be available two weeks prior to the start of league. Specific meeting, date and time, will be posted.

Schedules will also be posted on-line and emailed to managers two

✓ **What are the Manager's Duties?**

1. Make sure you have a full team and at least one reserve for every game.
2. You, the manager, must handle any dispute. Do not let one of your players face ejection by arguing a call.
3. You are responsible for taking charge of your team's and your spectator's conduct. Abusive language, improper drinking and smoking, litter and other irresponsible acts will not be tolerated.
4. Any schedule information, changes or other league information will be sent to you. Make sure we have your current address for the current season and next year. It is your responsibility to pass the information on to your players.
5. Know the rules. Tell your players the rules. This will help the game run smoothly and help your team concentrate on playing.

✓ **What is the refund/cancellation policy?**

1. If Coon Rapids Parks Department cancels a league due to low numbers, a full refund will be given.
2. If a team chooses to back out of the league after the registration deadline, no refund will be given.
3. If games are cancelled due to poor weather conditions and no make-up dates are available, a program credit will be issued for the amount of the official for that game.

Leagues Available

League	Max # of Teams	Games	Dates Start/End	Game Start Times	Fee*
Monday Church	8	21 Games 10 weeks of league followed by single elimination playoffs	4/24 to 8/07 No Games 5/29 or 7/3	6:15, 7:15 8:15, 9:15	\$935+Tax
Monday Co-Rec	8	21 Games 10 weeks of league followed by single elimination playoffs	4/24 to 8/07 No Games 5/29 or 7/3	6:15, 7:15 8:15, 9:15	\$935+ Tax
Tuesday Men Double Header	24	21 Games 10 weeks of league followed by single elimination playoffs	4/25 to 8/1 No Games or 7/4	6:15, 7:15 8:15, 9:15	\$935+ Tax League will likely be split into upper and lower 8 team divisions.
Wednesday Coed Games	16	21 Games 10 weeks of league followed by single elimination playoffs	4/26 to 8/02 No Games 7/5 or 7/26	6:15, 7:15 8:15, 9:15	\$935+ Tax
Thursday Men Double Header	24	21 Games 10 weeks of league followed by single elimination playoffs	4/27 to 8/3 No Games 7/6 or 7/27	6:15, 7:15 8:15, 9:15	\$935+ Tax League will likely be split into upper and lower 8 team divisions.

****NOTE: If weather dictates leagues could run as late as August 18th**

***Fees** - We are required by law, to charge 7.125% sales tax on all leagues – it is added to the league fee.**

Team Conduct and Eligibility Forfeit Policy

Coon Rapids Parks Department has a Team Conduct and Eligibility, Forfeit Fee Policy for Adult Softball Leagues.

Teams will have to pay for the following violations before their next scheduled game. If fees are not paid before the next game, teams will not be allowed to play.

- ✓ **Alcohol consumption** – Abuse or irresponsible use of alcohol. - \$25 per incident.
- ✓ **Physical contact made with an official or another player** - \$50 per incident and expulsion from the league and possibly any USSSA & ASA programs.
- ✓ **Not having a complete roster with signatures on file** - in the Park Department Office after your first scheduled game - \$25 per incident.
- ✓ **Player ejection** - \$25 per ejection. Also, any player who is ejected from a game, for any reason, must sit out that team's next scheduled game. If it happens again, they must sit out the next two games. For a third ejection, suspension the remainder of the year.
- ✓ **Ineligible/unrostered player** - \$25 per violation.
- ✓ **Unannounced forfeit** - less than 24 hours of scheduled game - \$25 per game.

This policy will be enforced by the League Coordinator, City of Coon Rapids Parks staff members, including field supervisors and the Umpires Association.

**COON RAPIDS PARKS DEPARTMENT
ADULT ATHLETIC ROSTER FORM - SOFTBALL - SUMMER 2023**

League Night & Division	Team Name
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Managers Signature	Date
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Waiver: By signing this form, the manager verifies the following:

- The team is responsible for its own insurance.
- Each player on the team agrees to abide by the rules and regulations as set forth by the City of Coon Rapids. Coon Rapids Parks & Recreation will have ultimate decision making authority on any matters that might arise concerning any one of the leagues. Failure to abide by any rules and regulations can jeopardize the team's participation in the league.
- I, the manager, do hereby agree to allow the players named herein to participate in the aforementioned league and I further agree to indemnify and hold the City harmless from and against any and all liability for any injury which may be suffered by the aforementioned player(s) rising out of, or in any way connected with, his/her participation in this league.
- **DATA PRIVACY ACT:** In accordance with the Minnesota Government Data practices Act, the Parks and Recreation Department hereby informs you that the personal information we are requesting of you is now considered private. Private data is available to you and the City staff who need to have this information to perform their duties, but not to the public. While you may choose to withhold this data, the consequences could be that the City's recreation staff may not be able to complete our registration.

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LEGAL PLAYING ADDRESS
 If a player lives in Coon Rapids, use the home address. If a player works in Coon Rapids, use the work address. For players outside of Coon Rapids, use the home address.