

CO-ED RULES

S.C.M.A.F. Rules are in force except for the following EXCEPTIONS:

Any walk to a male batter is a double. If No Strikes are thrown, the Female Batter has the option of hitting or obtaining a Walk and going to first base (1B). If a Strike is made either as a 'call' by the umpire or as a Foul Ball, then the Female Batter Must take her turn a bat.

Men will hit a 12 INCH BALL and Women will hit a 11 INCH BALL.

COURTESY RUNNERS must be used before the Next Pitch is thrown.

If a runner is on base for one pitch, then the runner must run for himself.

TWO (2) Courtesy Runners are allowed per inning.

Any player can be the Courtesy Runner but NO Player can run twice in one inning as Courtesy Runner.

There can be more female players than male players on defense but NOT more male players than female players.

CO-ED BATTING RULE PHILOSOPHY:

The purpose and the spirit of these rules is to maximize PARTICIPATION.

All understanding and interpretation of these rules should be in light of maximizing participation.

The maximum batting order is 12 players.

No team will be allowed to bat an uneven batting order if they have enough players on the roster that are present to bat an "even" batting order. For example, a team cannot bat six (6) men and five (5) women if they have a women on the roster available to play.

Teams will be able to submit a batting line-up that has an odd number of gender players but must use the alternating male/female batting order. In essence, a batting order could be:

1. Male #1
2. Female #1
3. Male #2
4. Female #2
5. Male #3
6. Female #3
7. Male #4
8. Female #4
9. Male #5
10. Female #5
11. Addition of 6th Male Batter

Next batter: Female #1

Next batter: Male #1

Next batter: Female #2

Next batter: Male #2

etc., etc.

This same rule would also apply if it were the opposite; i.e. more women than men..

A team may have several more (2,3 or more) women than men in the batting order.

There is **NO ADVANTAGE GAINED** by a team having more women than men.

A team can have only **ONE (1)** more Male Batters than Female Batters

(A) The purpose of coed is to always alternate gender in the batting order regardless of how many men and women you have batting.

(B) **NEVER** should there be a time when you bat **MALE BATTERS "Back to Back"**. A team can bat Female Batters "Back to Back"

(C) This system/rule does not allow a team to gain an advantage or another to be at a disadvantage.