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January 12, 2017

Dear Adult Softball Team Managers,

The 2017 summer softball season is fast approaching. Enclosed please find the necessary information to register your team this coming season. Please read over the enclosed information very carefully. **The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to adjust teams from one division to another to promote competitive play. The first dozen set of Softballs will now be provided by Waterford Parks and Recreation. Before each game the umpire will have two balls to be used during the game. If a team wishes to purchase an additional dozen or single balls, they will be available for purchase at the managers meeting or at the Recreation Office. Teams must purchase the balls that the Waterford Recreation Department is purchasing.**

Softballs will be sold at the Recreation Office for \$48.00/dozen or \$4.00/each.

LEAGUE MEETING SPECIAL!

Purchase your softballs at the League Meeting on 4/17/17 and save.

\$3.00 off one dozen softballs

Softballs must be purchased by the dozen. Offer only valid on 4/17/17 at League Meeting. Cash or Check Only!

IMPORTANT:

Roster & waiver forms must be turned in at the Recreation Office by 4:30PM the day of your first game, (Coed Sunday teams, you must have forms turned into the Recreation Office by Friday, 4/28/17). If forms aren't turned into the Recreation Office before your first game, you will not be able to play, and you will forfeit every game thereafter until your roster and waiver forms are turned into the Recreation Office!

Attendance at our League Meeting is required. Teams who are represented will start the season with a win, teams not represented will start the season with a loss and forfeit the right to protest.

In an effort to become more organized and environmentally friendly we have eliminated team registration forms. We will be asking the same questions at the time of team registration that used to appear on the team registration form. If your team has a sponsor that sends in a check the manager must call the Parks and Recreation Office to register the team once the check has been mailed in. **Please make careful note of all deadlines, meeting dates and location.** You should receive the following information in this mailing: Cover Letter, Calendar, and League information. Again, please note the important dates on the softball calendar! If you have any questions, please call (248) 674-5441.

Sincerely,

Sara Frederick
Recreation Supervisor
Waterford Parks and Recreation Department

2017 ADULT SUMMER SLOW PITCH CALENDAR – Dates subject to change

Wednesday, January 18

Information emailed to 2016 summer and fall teams and put on our website

Tuesday, February 21

FIRST PRIORITY 2016 Summer Teams begin submitting fees

Thursday, March 16

DEADLINE FOR FIRST PRIORITY TEAMS TO REGISTER – 5:00PM

Friday, March 17

SECOND PRIORITY 2016 Fall Teams begin submitting fees

Friday, March 24

DEADLINE FOR SECOND PRIORITY TEAMS TO REGISTER – 5:00PM

Monday, March 27

IF OPENINGS EXIST - new teams may begin submitting fees on a first-come, first-serve basis

Monday, April 10

DEADLINE FOR NEW TEAMS TO REGISTER – 5:00PM

Monday, April 17

LEAGUE MEETING – 7:00PM

Waterford Recreation Center, 5640 Williams Lake Road
Each team **must** have a representative. Teams with a representative in attendance will start the season with a win and those teams without a representative will start the season with a loss. Teams not represented will not be allowed to protest during the season or playoffs. Important information will be discussed as well as rule changes and league format.

Friday, April 21

Games schedules will be emailed to team managers and on our website

Sunday, April 30

Season Begins

Deadlines for turning in Team Roster & Player Waiver Forms:

****IMPORTANT**** Roster & waiver forms must be turned in at the **Recreation Office** by 4:30PM the day of your first game, (Coed Sunday teams, you must have forms turned into the Recreation Office by Friday, 4/28/17). If your forms aren't turned into the Recreation Office, you will not be able to play, and you will forfeit every game thereafter until your roster and waiver forms are turned into the Recreation Office!

Friday, April 28 – Sun. Coed

Wednesday, May 3 – Wed. Coed

Monday, May 1 – Mon. Men & Women

Thursday, May 4– Thurs. Men & Coed

Tuesday, May 2 – Tue. Men & Women

Friday, May 26 - DEADLINE FOR ADDING/TRANSFERRING PLAYERS

**** IMPORTANT NOTES ****

1. Waterford Summer Softball will be limited to: 36 men's; 8 women's and 32 coed teams. If you plan on playing, get your league registration fee in between the above dates!
2. Teams who won their division two years in a row must **move up** if a higher division exists.
3. **BATS** – You can find out which bats are approved by A.S.A. and which are not by visiting their website at <http://www.teamusa.org/USA-Softball/Play-ASA/Certified-ASA-Equipment> .These lists are updated periodically, so please be sure to check this site often.

MEN – 2017 SUMMER

SOFTBALLS USED:

.52 core .300 compression 12” Yellow NO ROCK OR EVIL BALLS
Only Trump Stote/Dudley Thunder (softballs soft at the Parks and Recreation Department will be allowed)

<p><u>MONDAY – Double Headers</u> One Division – Limit 12 teams (Will split to East/West division if 12 teams register) Total Games: 20 + playoffs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$570.00 League Fee • Teams pay umpires cash on field in <u>ALL</u> leagues \$15.00 per game
<p><u>TUESDAY – Double Headers</u> One Division - Limit 12 teams Total Games: 20 + playoffs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$570.00 League Fee • Teams pay umpires cash on field in <u>ALL</u> leagues \$15.00 per game
<p><u>THURSDAY – Double Headers</u> Upper Division – Limit 6 teams Lower Division – Limit 6 teams Total Games: 20 + playoffs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$570.00 League Fee • Teams pay umpires cash on field in <u>ALL</u> leagues \$15.00 per game

WOMEN – 2017 SUMMER

SOFTBALLS USED:

.44 core .375 compression 11” Yellow NO ROCK OR EVIL BALLS
Only Trump Stote/Dudley Thunder (softballs soft at the Parks and Recreation Department will be allowed)

<p><u>MONDAY – Double Headers</u> Upper Division – Limit 4 teams Lower Division – Limit 4 teams Total Games: 20 + playoffs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$570.00 League Fee • Teams pay umpires cash on field in <u>ALL</u> leagues \$15.00 per game
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COED – 2017 SUMMER

SOFTBALLS USED:

.52 core .300 compression 12” Yellow NO ROCK OR EVIL BALLS and
.44 core .375 compression 11” Yellow NO ROCK OR EVIL BALLS
Only Trump Stote/Dudley Thunder (softballs soft at the Parks and Recreation Department will be allowed)

<p><u>SUNDAY – Single Games</u> Upper Division – Limit 12 teams Lower Division – Limit 12 teams Total Games: 10 + playoffs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$390.00 League Fee • Teams pay umpires cash on field in <u>ALL</u> leagues \$15.00 per game
<p><u>WEDNESDAY – Double Headers</u> One Division – Limit 8 teams Total Games: 20 + playoffs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$570.00 League Fee • Teams pay umpires cash on field in <u>ALL</u> leagues \$15.00 per game

If a team forfeits a game, they will have until their **next scheduled game** to pay the forfeit fee of \$30.00, **failure** to do so will result in the team forfeiting its next scheduled game(s). After a team forfeits its **third** game it will be removed from the league. This applies to **ALL** leagues.