

Canyon West Senior Softball Club

Rules of Play Adopted NOVEMBER 2023

Canyon West Senior Softball Club is governed by the rules of the Senior Softball Association (SSUSA) with changes and additions as contained herein. Each manager of a Canyon West Senior Softball Club team will provide input and suggestions concerning the rules of the league and any changes to be made in the future.

Note: These rules have been approved by the Canyon West Senior Softball Club.

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1. **Players:** Eligible players must have attained the age of (55), or grandfathered in, during the season in which he/she is playing. Only individuals rated as suitable by Canyon West Senior Softball Club rating committee will be allowed to participate.

Non-playing managers are not permitted to become an active player until the next official draft.

Canyon West Senior Softball Club reserves the right to accept/or deny player eligibility based on player skill level and player behavior; to include missed games / and / or ejections.

***COVID-19 PROTOCOL:** Canyon West Senior Softball Club adheres to all local and national health care advisors and recommendations regarding the transmission of COVID-19 and / or any / all transmittable diseases or viruses. Any player who may exhibit symptoms, is feeling ill/sick, shall be asked to stay home or leave the playing complex. **If a player, manager, committee member has tested positive for COVID-19, that individual must remain out of contact for at least (7-10) days, be re-evaluated by a medical facility, be symptoms free, and engage/complete investigative interview by a CWSS committee member prior to returning as an active player.**

The following “Distancing Practices” and “Protective Measures” are adopted by Canyon West Senior Softball Club and are mandated by the CDC, the City of Surprise Parks and Recs, and Maricopa County, and will be re-addressed on a month-to-month basis. These steps have been put in place to assist in the prevention of spreading the COVID-19 virus and a continued softball league.

- a. Minimize offensive players in the dugouts to 4 players at a time (masks are mandatory in the dug outs) SUSPENDED.
- b. One offensive player at bat, one offensive player on deck (not to interfere with a possible courtesy runner from home), one third base coach, and one first base coach (masks are mandatory within 6 feet of a runner on base or a defensive player by either base coach) SUSPENDED.
- c. The remaining offensive players should be outside of the dugout, on the outside of the fence line (masks required) SUSPENDED.
- d. Masks will be worn from the parking lot to the fields and when players are not on the field and engaged in a game. Masks will be worn around the stands when players and or spectators are watching or waiting for a game to start or finish. Masks are mandatory to be worn from the fields to the parking lots. SUSPENDED
- e. Catchers and umpires must wear a mask or face shield. SUSPENDED.

- f. Umpires will not pick up any equipment laying on the field after an at bat or during the game.
- g. Only Canyon West Senior Softball Club agents, managers and medical personnel only should respond to any on-field injury during any game. Managers and umpires will be “diligent” in advising all players “not” to congregate around an injured player.
- h. All players, coaches and managers should maintain at least a (6) foot distance when practical. SUSPENDED.
- i. Any player, or member, of Canyon West Softball Club who believes, or exhibits any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, coughing, mild to severe respiratory illness, or any other symptoms identified by the CDC), or sickness away from the ballfield, will notify their manager immediately by telephone and remain away from the ballfield at a minimum of 3-5 days. If a player, or member, has COVID-19 symptoms and they dissipate after (3-5) days, and the player has tested for COVID-19 with test results as negative, CWSS will determine reinstatement of said player in accordance with CDC guidelines.
- j. Any player, or member of CWSS, who did not exhibit COVID-19 symptoms at the ballfield but did exhibit COVID-19 symptoms away from the ballfield, will remain away from the ballfield for a minimum of (7-10) days, and CWSS will conduct an informational interview to ensure no one at the ballfield was exposed.
- k. Any player, or member, who exhibits, or has notified his/her manager of COVID-19 symptoms at the ballfield, will immediately leave the ballfield, and remain away from the ball field for a minimum of (7-10) days. The player, or member, upon leaving the ball field is encouraged to schedule a COVID-19 test at their earliest convenience. CWSS will conduct a follow-up informational interview with the player to determine results of any COVID-19 test or condition of symptoms. CWSS will inform league players if a player or CWSS personnel has tested positive for COVID-19 and for possible exposure. If during the follow-up informational interview, it is determined there were no possibility of exposure to other players, continued league play will be at the discretion of CWSS by process of investigation and results of informational interview.
- l. Any player, or member of CWSS, who has tested positive for COVID-19, will remain away from the ballfield for a minimum of (7-10) days. At the end of the (7-10) day period, a phone interview will be conducted by CWSS with the player to ensure the following steps have been taken;
 - a. The player, or member, has been examined by medical personnel.
 - b. The player, or member, exhibits no COVID-19 symptoms.
 - c. The player, or member, has completed a second COVID-19 test and may be awaiting test results. If the player tests positive for COVID-19 on the second test (a second positive test may display anti-bodies), CWSS will determine said player has been seen by medical personnel, exhibits no

COVID-19 symptoms, and said player has stated he/she is physically able to continue to play softball, prior to reinstatement to CWSS.

- 2. Draft:** Prior to the start of the season eligible rated players will be selected to teams using a common draft administered by the Director of Player personnel. Instructions, draft packets, and manager forms, will be provided prior to all drafts by the Director of Player Personnel.

Team rosters will be set at a number decided by the league. Undrafted players will be placed on a waiting list according to their rating and will be assigned to teams when needed by the Director of Player personnel. No new players will be rated and added to the waiting list within the last three weeks of any season.

All rated personnel on the waiting list placed on a team will pay a pro-rated rate approved by the Commissioner.

- 3. Length of Games:** All weekday scheduled games are intended to consist of (7) innings. If a game has not completed (7) innings by the (60) minute time limit, the umpire will notify each manager that at the end of a completed inning, the next inning will be declared "OPEN 7" (due to time restraints) regarding maximum runs. The (60) minute time rule is determined when the last out in an inning is called.

A "Mercy Rule" will be initiated; if a team is ahead by 12 or more runs at the end of 5 innings, 8 runs at the end of 6 innings.

If a game is tied at the end of 7 innings the game will be recorded as a tie. Rank placement of teams will be compiled based upon winning teams being awarded (2) points, tied teams awarded (1) point, and losing teams zero points. Records ending in a tie, a champion, will be determined by run differential.

A 1 and 1 count with none to waste is in play for each batter.

Note: There will be no extra innings played during the regular season due to cost of venue and time restraints imposed. Extra-inning games will be played during a tournament.

Canyon West Senior Softball Club reserves the right to add / or amend length of games if/when a Saturday venue is adopted or during tournament play.

Managers will be responsible to ensure all players are aware of time restraints and will place all effort to "move the players along" during the games. Examples;

- a. Infield practice can only be taken prior to the start of the game for each team. In order to move the game along, infield practice will be allowed after the first inning according to the umpires.
 - b. Managers will ensure “on-deck” batters are in place throughout the game (not to interfere with a possible courtesy runner from home).
 - c. All players should make a personal effort to ensure games are played within a (60) minute time rule.
- 4. Run Rules:** There will be a maximum of (4) runs per inning for each team. The seventh inning, or last inning declared by the umpire due to time rule, will be declared an “open” inning and limited to (7) runs.
- 5.** The head umpire and scorekeeper will determine if an inning will begin to include time restraints and available runs scored regarding to “open 7”.
- 6. Postponed, Rain Outs or Field Conditions:** The City of Surprise Parks and Recs has the primary responsibility to cancel a game(s) due to a rainout. Any Committee member has sole authority to cancel, postpone, or delay any scheduled game for any reason. Rain-out protocol; A Committee member will arrive at the ball field 1 hour prior to first game and meet with Surprise Parks and Recs field boss and determine condition of field. If cancelled, the Committee members will notify all managers who in turn will notify assigned players. All efforts will be made to reschedule any game(s) that will impact the final league standings. Any Committee has sole authority to reschedule any games which were cancelled, with respect to league standings.
- 7. Field Waiver / Permits:** Canyon West Senior Softball will obtain a City of Surprise field waiver / permit prior to the start of “any” scheduled league and renewed prior to the start of a new league. The waiver / permit will be on file with the City of Surprise and a copy on file with the Committee at all games. The waiver / permit will list all scheduled dates of field usage and team / player signatures. The waiver / permit may only be amended by designated Canyon West Senior Softball agents.
- 8. Field rules and usage (City of Surprise):** It is the responsibility of the Commissioner, Committee Agents, and managers to enforce the following City of Surprise Athletic field use and regulations;
- a. The City of Surprise has the right to trespass any individual pursuant to A.R.S. 13-1502 for violation of park rules.
 - b. Use of fields begins and ends at the times listed on approved waiver / permit. Any prior use or extended use of fields will result in an additional fee.

- c. City fields or facilities may not be altered at any time.
 - d. Parking is allowed in designated areas only. No parking on gravel, dirt, or grass.
 - e. No vending is allowed without prior permit approval.
 - f. Amplified sound is not allowed.
 - g. The use of artificial noise makers, horns, rattles, bells, and whistles by spectators are not allowed.
 - h. Property boundary walls and fences will not be used as backstops at any time.
 - i. Portable backstops will be removed daily.
 - j. No littering. All and any trash will be picked up and disposed of properly at the end of all scheduled games.
 - k. No bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, scooters, and Heely's in the ball field complex area.
 - l. Glass beverage containers are prohibited.
 - m. Dogs must be on a leash.
 - n. Clean up after your pets.
 - o. Operation or use of any device that emits loud noises is prohibited.
 - p. Motor-driven vehicles are restricted to designated areas only.
 - q. Carrying a firearm in the "park" is limited to the person(s) who possess a permit issued pursuant to A.R.S. 13-3112.
 - r. It is unlawful to deface, destruct or remove park equipment, plants, floors, and walls.
 - s. It is prohibited to golf, operate model rockets, or aircraft in park area.
 - t. Climbing on or over fences is prohibited.
 - u. Only players and coaches in the dugouts.
 - v. No smoking in dugouts.
 - w. "Soft Toss" and /or hitting against a fence is prohibited.
 - x. Caution of objects leaving the playing field.
 - y. Un-sportsman like conduct, fighting, or foul language will not be tolerated.
- 9. Batting Order:** All players and substitutes LAST NAMES, NUMBERS, POSITION and PLAYER RATING must be listed on the "line-up" card prior to the beginning of the game. In addition, any player needing a runner from home must be identified on the line-up card. A copy of the line-up card must be submitted to the official scorekeeper prior to the start of the game. Unless a player cannot participate due to an injury, illness, or suspension, all players who come to the game must be in the batting order.

If a player arrives after the game has started, but no later than the third inning, the player will be added to the bottom of the batting order or replace the substitute player which was filling in the vacancy. A player arriving after the third inning will not be allowed to play.

As a result of a player leaving before the end of the game due to an emergency, family, called away for work, appointments, prior commitments, or sick, a substitute may be assigned according to the substitute rules outlined in Section 9 of league rules. The batting order will remain the same except the missing player will be removed from the batting line-up and the substitute will bat in his/her place. Should no substitute be available, or the manager chooses to play without a substitute, or the team already has the maximum number of substitutes, the game will be completed without the missing player and his/her name will be removed from the batting order and no out will be recorded.

If a player is ejected, NO substitute player will be allowed. The ejected players place in the batting line-up will be recorded as an “out” every time. When that place comes up a second time, it will be skipped with no out recorded. The ejected player will miss (1) next scheduled game thereafter. Any player ejected (2) times in one season will not be eligible to return as a player or manager.

If an injury occurs to a player during the game, a substitute player can be obtained within the substitute player rules outlined in Section 9 of league rules.

If a player is declared “sick, ill, dizzy, lightheaded” or unable to continue playing in a game, due to current COVID-19 conditions, the player will be removed from the playing field, sent home, and treated as COVID-19 symptoms. Therefore, the player will be subject to COVID-19 protocol. Substitutions will be in accordance with section 9 of league rules.

Roster and Substitutions: Team rosters will be set by the Director of Player Personnel through a general draft prior to the start of each new league. Roster vacancies will be filled (subject to player ratings) by the Director of Player Personnel. Teams must accept all assigned players and assigned players must accept the assigned team.

All players on a game roster must play a minimum of four (4) complete innings; except when an injury or ejection occurs.

A manager may choose to use a substitute whenever they have fewer than the assigned number of roster players. However, the substitute player(s) rating must be equal or lower to that of the player he/she is replacing. The manager has the option to obtain a substitute or continue to play without a substitute. A minimum of nine (9) players is required to continue play. No more than five (5) substitutes may be used. Any team with **less** than six (6) rostered players at a game will forfeit the game.

Failure to field nine (9) players prior to the first pitch of the game shall result in game forfeiture and a recorded loss. If a team cannot finish a game with a minimum of nine (9) players, the game will be forfeited and recorded as a loss.

Substitutes may play any defensive position and bat in any position in the line-up. Any manager with less than a full team may obtain a substitute player only from other Canyon West Senior Softball eligible and active players.

Any player may substitute unlimited times per game day.

Due to limited number of "C" players; If a "C" player is injured during a game, and no "C" player is available to substitute, a manager will have the option to continue play without the player or agree with opposing manager and a League Agent to be able to use a "C+" player. No "A" players will be used to substitute for "B+, B, C+, or C" players. If managers cannot agree on a player for substitution, then no substitution will be allowed and no protest will be accepted.

10. Non-Runners and Courtesy Runners: Non-runners (grandfathered in) as identified by the rating committee on the team rosters are allowed to have a courtesy runner from home plate when they are at bat. These courtesy runners do not count against the times per game they are allowed to courtesy run. Only "B+, B, C+, or C" rated players may be used as courtesy runners from home plate. The runner will be able to advance on the play at the runner's own risk. If there is an overthrow at first base, which goes into the dugout or over the fence, the runner will be awarded second base as rules apply.

Non-runners must be identified prior to the game by having names marked on the batting order submitted to the scorekeeper and made available to the opposing manager. Unless there is an injury, no change in a runner's status can be made after the game begins. If the non-runner refuses a courtesy runner, he/she will not be allowed a courtesy runner for the rest of the inning.

A rostered player may Courtesy run (two) times per game. Only once per inning. During the summer months, this will be amended.

Non-runners may not act as courtesy runners at any time during a game.

Courtesy Runners are defined as a player listed on the team roster, who is not at bat at the time, and as declared by the manager, takes the place of a runner on base. It is the player's (batted runner) choice to have a courtesy runner, not the manager. Managers will be cognitive of "overuse" of any player asked to act as a "courtesy runner".

A courtesy runner whose turn at bat comes up while on base will be called out. The courtesy runner will be removed from the base and take their turn at bat unless it's the third out of the inning. A second courtesy runner is not permitted.

A player may only be a courtesy runner once during an inning. The exception: if a player is used as a courtesy runner for a non-runner from home plate then the player is eligible to courtesy run in the same inning for another player. A player will not be called out if he/she has been used as a courtesy runner once in an inning or has been declared by the manager and umpire as a courtesy runner and has touched a base. Another eligible runner will be allowed to courtesy run.

A courtesy runner may not run for a courtesy runner unless in the case of an injury. Violation will not result in an out and an eligible courtesy runner can be inserted without violation.

A runner who is replaced by a courtesy runner may be used as a courtesy runner except in the same inning.

if a runner gets a courtesy runner they can still run for a non-runner from home in the same inning. "A" Level players are excluded from running from home.

When a "C" player is at bat and does not have a "runner from home," and an outfielder touches the ball first, an outfielder cannot directly throw the batter-runner out at first base, or via infield assist.

When a "C" player is at bat, and does have a runner from home, and an outfielder touches the ball first, the "C" player, and all other rated players, CAN be thrown out at first base from an outfielder.

- 11. Balls and Strikes:** Home plate is 19" x 33" in dimension. Any legal pitch (6-12 feet in height) that LANDS ON the mat/plate, is a strike. Each batter will have a one (1) ball and one (1) strike count, with none (0) to waste, as a count at the beginning of each at bat. Any foul tip hit and caught by the catcher is an out.
- 12. Intentional Walk:** Walk rule for "A" players only – If an "A" player is walked without being thrown a strike (three straight called balls, or intentionally allowed to advance to 1st base without being pitched to by a manager) it will be considered an intentional walk. If at any time during the same game, this same "A" player is walked again, without seeing a strike, it will be considered a 2nd intentional walk and the walk will be a 2-base award. Any runners forced to advance due to the 2-base award will be advanced. The 3rd time this occurs in the same game to the same "A" player it will be a 3 base award and if it were to occur a 4th time it would be a 4-base award. If at any time during the at bat the batter sees a strike regardless of whether they swing, any subsequent walk during that at bat will be treated as a normal walk.

13. Home Run Rule: Any ball hit over the outfield fence, in fair territory, will be ruled as a home run (even if touched by a defensive player). Once a team has hit a home run, the next home run will be recorded as a walk. When the opposing team records a home run, then either team can hit another home run. Maximum of three (3) home runs per game per team. Home runs counted as walks do not count as part of the 3 home runs. If touched by a defensive player before going over the fence, it is considered a 4-base error and not counted against the home run total.

14. Bats: Bats labeled or identified as ASA, USSSA, NSA, ISA, 1.20 and 1.21 bats are allowed. Bats listed on the ASA/SSUSA banned list are not allowed to be used. Cracked, noisy, delaminated bats will be inspected and discontinued use at the direction of an umpire, League Agent, or Commissioner. It is not the intent to use broken bats, but judgement is recommended. However, using a shaved, corked, or altered bat will be grounds for ejection and suspension.

A player using a “banned” bat is subject to ejection.

15. On Base Rules: On base stealing is not allowed. Sliding into a base is allowed. Sliding back to a base, after a runner has passed the base, is allowed. No runner may run to or slide at home plate. All runners, once they touch or cross over the commit line, cannot return to third base. To score a run they must have a foot touching the score line in order to record a run. Any runner running to or sliding at home plate will be recorded as an out. Base runners shall avoid unnecessary contact with a defensive player. If in the judgement of the umpire, the runner did not avoid unnecessary contact with the defensive player, the runner will be called out.

Defensive players will not block a base or impede any runner in any way that might cause contact between players. If a defensive player blocks or impedes the runner, the umpire can award the runner the base the player was proceeding to.

If there is a safety concern, the runners of either first or third base may request from an umpire to take a “safety” position, off the bag and move into foul territory, to avoid being hit by a batted ball. If approved by the umpire, the runner may move into foul territory, but must re-touch the base again before proceeding. The runner is not at risk of being tagged out until he re-touches the base after the ball is hit.

16. Batter/Runner: The batter-runner must touch some portion of the orange base when there is a play being made on them at 1st base. When a play is being made on the batter-runner touching only the white part of the base will be an out. Touching of both bases simultaneously by the batter-runner is allowed. This is not an appeal play and should be called by the umpire immediately. If no play is being made the

batter-runner may use either the white or the orange portions of the base. The defensive player may only use the white portion of the base to record the out. Touching any portion of the orange base by the defensive player will result in the runner being called safe. This is also an immediate call by the umpire and is not an appeal play. Once the batter-runner reaches first base, the double base shall be treated as one base and the fielder or runner may use either portion.

17. Replacement Players: When a player is going to be absent for (6) or more consecutive games, it will be at the manager's discretion whether or not to seek a replacement player from the Director of Player Personnel or to obtain a substitute from current Canyon West Senior Softball teams up to the (6) game absence. A dropped player who wishes to return after the (6) game absence will be placed on the wait list. The Director of Player Personnel will consider replacement players from the "wait list" as "positional" needs each manager may have.

18. Appeal and Protest:

- a. An **APPEAL** can be requested by a team manager who must initially make any appeal on the field to the home plate umpire before the next pitch has been made. The appeal can be made on a rule infringement (not on balls, strikes, fair or foul calls made by umpires).
- b. If a manager is appealing a call made by the field umpire, the manager must initially approach the home plate umpire and inform him/her he/she wishes to appeal the previous call made from the field umpire. Then the home plate umpire has the option to initially rule, consult the field umpire, or committee agent for additional guidance.
- c. If an appeal is requested by the manager to the home plate umpire, and the manager wishes to pursue additional recourse, a protest can be filed.
- d. A **PROTEST** must be filed within 24 hours of the completion of the protested game. The protesting manager must inform the home plate umpire and score keeper of intended protest, the scorekeeper will then note the date, time, teams involved, umpires involved, and manager's description of protest on the "Incident Reporting Form" filed in the Canyon West Senior Softball Operating Manual. This process should only take a few minutes and then the game will continue to proceed. All managers who file a protest will pay a \$25.00 filing fee to the Commissioner. Three (3) Committee Agents will review the filed protest and forward recommendation to the Commissioner. The Commissioner will make the final decision for any protested games. If the Commissioner rules in favor of the protesting manager, the \$25.00 filing fee will be refunded to the

protesting manager. If the Commissioner rules out-of-favor with the protesting manager, no refund will be returned.

19. Ejections: All Canyon West Senior Softball Player's, Manager's, Spectator's, Representatives, and Operating Personnel are subject to removal / ejection from playing fields / park, and facilities owned and operated by the City of Surprise Parks and Recs official personnel.

All Canyon West Senior Softball Player's, Manager's, Spectator's, and Operating Representatives are subject to removal, ejection, from all City of Surprise playing fields and facilities by the Commissioner, Committee Agents, Manager's, and umpires.

Players ejected from a game must immediately leave all City of Surprise facilities, where Canyon West Senior Softball has been authorized by permit to operate, within a timely manner. The ejected player may not be replaced for the remainder of the game. The ejected player's manager will fill out a Canyon West Senior Softball Club "Incident Report" immediately following the completion of the game and submit the form to a Committee Agent. The home plate umpire, and / or field umpire, will also fill out an "Incident Form." Three Committee Agent(s) will review "Incident reports" and forward recommendation to the Commissioner for final remedy. The ejected player is automatically suspended from playing in the next regular scheduled game, but the team may use a substitution. If a player is ejected two (2) times in one season, the Commissioner will have sole authority to suspend, dismiss and / or refund the player.

20. Pitching and Equipment: All players will use standard slow-pitch, senior softball equipment. The softball normally used (when available) during the league will be the "Fire" 44 Core 375 Compression softball and an approved 11" Female slow pitch softball. The league will supply one (1) new ball at the beginning of each game day. Each manager is responsible to retrieve any and all foul or home run balls hit during the game. A previously used "Fire" softball can be used in case the game ball is not available with the umpire's approval. Therefore, the league will need to ensure there are extra previously used "Fire" softballs available prior to each game. These can be obtained from Committee Agents throughout the season.

The pitcher's box is from the back pitcher's plate in front of it and is the width of the pitcher's plate. The pitcher must start their pitching motion with at least one foot touching some portion of the pitcher's box (10 x 2). They may not walk into the pitcher's box. If no portion of their foot is touching the pitcher's box the umpire shall call a ball on the hitter.

Pitcher's equipment: Pitcher's will provide and wear their own ASA approved pitcher's / defenders face mask, or half-helmet, or full helmet. No infielder's safety mask is allowed to be used as a pitcher's mask. Additional safety equipment worn by a pitcher may be shin guards, a helmet, and / or a chest protector.

Pitcher's screen: The pitcher's screen is optional to all league pitchers.

Pitchers use of the screen. If a pitcher chooses to use the safety screen the pitcher may not be the first one to touch a batted ball. If they are the first one to touch a batted ball the ball is dead and the batter runner will be awarded first base and all runners who are forced will also be advanced. The following rule is for when a batter hits a ball which makes contact with the screen and is for each at bat and is not continued from one at bat to another. The first time the batter hits the screen is of no consequence. The 2nd time it is considered a strike, foul ball. If the batter had 2 strikes and none to waste this 2nd time would result in them being called out. Otherwise, it would advance the count as if it were a foul ball. If they had been on a 1 and 1 count this would have been their 2nd strike and they would be out. The 3rd time they hit the screen it would also be considered a foul ball and could result in an out if the hitter had none to waste. The 4th time a batter was to hit the screen they would be out for that at bat. The defensive team may not lower the screen during play. This intentional action would result in each runner being awarded bases as if the ball had been thrown out of play. Unintentional knocking of the screen would be considered incidental.

Batters will make all efforts, to not "Light up the Middle," "Middle Open," or **intentionally** bat the ball back at the pitcher. The Canyon West Senior Softball Club recognizes ability, age, and skill levels of intermural, recreational, and tournament players and the Committee has sole authority to address, warn, suspend, and or dismiss any player.

Umpires will take into consideration the batter's box back L/R horizontal lines (long line behind the batter) as discretionary. The forward L/R vertical lines (closest to the pitcher), and the L/R horizontal lines (closest to home plate), are non-discretionary. The back L/R vertical lines (closest to the catcher) are discretionary. SUSPENDED.

There are no batter's box chalk lines. If a batter steps on any part of home plate during a swing, the batter will be called out. It is up to the home plate umpire to allow any batter to be "set" prior to any pitch. It is up to the batter to request time to be set prior to any pitch. There will be no "Quick Pitching."

No steel or spiked cleats will be worn.

21. Player's Clothing and Uniforms: Only uniforms approved by Canyon West Senior Softball Club will be worn or displayed by players and/or teams. During playoffs, substitute players will not wear the jersey of the team for which they are subbing.

Any active player may wear a pullover, windbreaker, or jacket over their uniform during any game. League-provided ball caps are not required to be worn.

22. Resignations: Any player or manager who resigns will inform/submit resignation to the Director of personnel. Any player or manager who has resigned and wishes to return to league play will inform/submit a request to the Director of Player Personnel and Committee for approval.

23. Injuries: An "Incident Report" should be filled out by the umpires for any significant accident/injury that occurs. Minor cuts and or abrasions are not considered significant. A first aid kit will be available at the scorekeeper's table during league play. Extra COVID-19 masks are available with the first aid kit.

24. Umpires: Each team will provide capable umpires throughout each season as scheduled by Canyon West Senior Softball Club. Umpires are on a volunteer basis and players cannot be forced to umpire. Managers should identify players who are comfortable umpiring a game. Umpires are not paid for umpiring. Players are not paid to play.

***Any player physically or verbally abusing any umpire or scorekeeper will be ejected from the game. No exceptions.**

23. Scorekeeping: Scorekeepers are volunteers and are especially important to our league.

At the end of each game the score card will be delivered to the Committee to update league standings. These score cards will be used to resolve any disputed issues which may occur.

RUN-RULED

- 12 runs after 5 innings
- 8 runs after 6 innings

Final statement: It is the responsibility of Canyon West Senior Softball Club Committee, Manger's, umpires, and scorekeepers to enforce these rules and ensure that games are played in a timely manner with safety and club spirit in mind.

Canyon West Senior Softball Club

Incident Report

This form is to be used and turned in to a Committee Agent and then forwarded to the Commissioner within 24 hours of an injury, accident, or to log a protest. The manager of the player injured will complete this form and forward it as stated above within 24 hours. To file a protest; the manager of the protesting team will complete this form and submit a \$25.00 cash payment to a Committee Agent within 24 hours after the game for review and remedy by the Commissioner. This form will also be filled out by umpires involved in the protest.

Injury

Ejection

Protest

(check appropriate incident)

Date of incident occurred _____

Location of incident _____

Manager assigned _____

Umpire(s) assigned _____/_____

Statement:

Committee Agent(s) recommendation:

Commissioner's remedy:

Date: _____

Canyon *W*est *S*enior *S*oftball *C*lub

Player contact information

First/Last Name: _____

Telephone number: _____

Email address: _____

Person to contact in case of emergency.

Name: _____

Telephone number: _____

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ACTIVITIES WAIVER

Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement

In consideration of being allowed to participate in an activity sponsored by Canyon West Senior Softball Club, the participant(s) named agree to the following:

1. The participant is instructed that prior to participating he or she should inspect the facilities and equipment to be used, and if he or she believes anything is unsafe, the participant should immediately advise the supervisor or manager of such conditions.
2. Fully understand and acknowledge that sports activities are dangerous; there are risks and dangers with participation, including, but not limited to bodily injury, partial and or total injury not known to us or not foreseeable at this time. The risk of having direct or indirect contact with individuals who have been exposed to and/or diagnosed with one or more communicable diseases, including but not limited to COVID-19 or other medical conditions, diseases, maladies, and/or any mutation or variation thereof, does exist and is impossible to eliminate the risk that I become infected through contact with or close proximity to an individual with a communicable disease. **I have read and understand the COVID-19 protocol.**
3. Knowingly accept and assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releases of others and assume full responsibility for my participation and the losses and or damages following such injury, disability, or death.
4. HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE CANYON WEST SENIOR SOFTBALL CLUB or other participants, staff, coaches, officials, agents, or owners.
5. It is agreed that this Waiver and Release Agreement covers each and every activity sponsored by Canyon West Senior Softball Club.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE READ THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE; AND UNDERSTAND THAT THEY HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHT BY SIGNING VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT INDUCEMENT.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Emergency Contact</i>	<i>Emergency Phone</i>

<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Emergency Contact</i>	<i>Emergency Number</i>