

ADULT CO-ED KICKBALL RULE SHEET

Team Registration

- A. Roster forms can be found by going to our website – FortMillSC.gov/180/Parks-Recreation
- B. All roster forms must be filled out, signed, and turned in by the first game of the season, via email or print (email to: BNeiconi@FortMillSC.gov).
- C. All male players must be at least sixteen (16) years of age and all female players must be at least fourteen (14) years of age. All players under the age of eighteen (18) years old must have a parent/legal guardian signature on the roster form.
- D. Each team must have a minimum of ten (10) players on the roster and a maximum of twenty (20) players on the roster.
- E. Each team must also have at least five (5) female players on the roster.
- F. The cost per registering team is \$450, with the entire team payment due no later than the closing date of registration.
- G. A forfeit fee of \$40 is due to the league coordinator at the beginning of the season.

Line Ups/Game Start

- A. Each team must have at least eight (8) team members present to start a game.
- B. Line ups must be traded no later than five (5) minutes prior to the game starting.
- C. If teams are short one (1) to two (2) players, teams may pick up substitutes. Substitutes must be one (1) male and one (1) female or two (2) females. Substitutes must play right field and third base, while also kicking last in the lineup.
- D. Line ups for kicking must be formatted as, “male-female-male-female...” – alternating male and female. Once per line up, teams may have two (2) males kick back-to-back. If a male is at the top of the line up and at the bottom of the line up, this counts as the teams one instance.
- E. If not enough females are present to alternate, the first (1st) female in the kicking order may kick in the next female spot added, and so on. If the next female in the kicking order is on base, the last recorded player to be out (male or female) may run for her.
- F. If teams have eight (8) players present and no substitutes, the ninth (9th) kicker in the line up is an out. If teams have nine (9) players present and no substitutes, the tenth (10th) kicker is NOT considered out and the line up may reset.
- G. Umpire fees are \$20 per game, per team. If only one official is present, the fee is \$15 per game, per team. If a team forfeits, they are responsible for paying the umpire(s).

General Play

- A. All games will be played with an 8.5” Masaka kickball.
- B. Distance from pitching mound to home plate will be forty feet (40’). The distance between all bases will be sixty feet (60’).

- C. A strike is considered two feet (2') off either side of home plate and one foot (1') higher than home plate.
- D. Pitches must be slow to moderate speed – no fast, spinning, or extremely bouncing balls are allowed. Pitches deemed illegal by the umpire will be considered a ball.
- E. If a team is electing to intentionally walk a player, the defensive team will let the kicker know he/she is being walked – no pitches need to be rolled.
- F. The pitcher must keep one foot on pitching rubber at all times until the ball is kicked.
- G. While on offense, the player kicking will start with two (2) balls and one (1) strike.
- H. Female players may bunt, as long as the bunt reaches beyond the bunt line (eight feet (8') in front of home plate). Male players are not allowed to bunt. A 'bunt' is defined as a kicking motion in which the kicking leg does not swing past the plant leg.
- I. Kicks must be made directly on or behind home plate. Kicks made in front of home plate will result in a strike, unless the play results in an out, in which case the play will stand.
- J. No leading off or stealing bases is allowed.

Player Conduct

- A. No drugs, alcohol, or illegal substances are allowed on Fort Mill Parks and Recreation grounds. Town parks are also smoke free.
- B. Profanity/offensive language will not be tolerated. Any profanity or offensive language heard by the official or parks and recreation staff member will issue a warning on the first offense. On the second offense, the player responsible will receive an automatic ejection, plus a one (1) game suspension.
- C. Captains are responsible for the actions of their players. Please be sure to maintain respectful characters and prioritize sportsmanship.
- D. Players are not allowed to argue with calls made by officials. Only team captains are allowed to question the interpretation of rules.

Additional Rules

- A. Ten (10) players on the field for defense, with at least four (4) females playing.
- B. All games are forty-five (45) minutes long with no inning limit. The mercy rule will be implemented if a team is up by twenty (20) runs after three (3) innings | fifteen (15) runs after four (4) innings | ten (10) runs after five (5) innings.
- C. If a game is suspended because of weather, it will be considered complete if three (3) innings or thirty (30) minutes have been completed. If three (3) innings or thirty (30) minutes have not been completed, it will be rescheduled and picked up from where it left off.
- D. Inclement weather: In the event that inclement weather develops during a game, it is the judgment of the umpires whether to suspend a game because of safety reasons, i.e. lighting, high winds, hail, heavy rain, etc... If a game is suspended, then the rule above applies as to whether it is an official game or not.

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