



SoftballNation 2019 Chesterfield League Softball



Adult Softball Leagues

To: League Softball Coach
From: Butch Tiller SoftballNation

Coach,

We are now taking teams for our Spring/Summer Leagues in Chesterfield. I'd like to invite your team to sign up and play.

Once again, we are offering leagues on the nights that teams have been accustomed to.... including: Sunday Night Men at Ironbridge, Tuesday and Wednesday night Coed at Ironbridge, Tuesday and Wednesday night Men at Warbro, and Thursday Night Men at Ironbridge.

Included with this letter are some basic league rules. These rules will apply to all leagues. In addition, these leagues are sanctioned by SoftballNation and the SoftballNation Rule Book will apply.

When signing up this year, you must include your team's non-residency fees with your team registration form. This is required and teams will not be placed in a league unless the roster form is completed and the NON-Residency fees are paid. If you have any questions, call me at 804-378-2285. (please note: you may add signatures later, but the roster forms must be filled out completely otherwise)

For 2019, SoftballNation requires the softball specifications to be 44 COR/ 400 Comp. This is a maximum on the ball. The ball must also have the SoftballNation stamp on it. We will always have balls available for sale through the concession stands at each complex. The bat specifications remain 1.20 BPF. We will provide an updated list of other approved bats and bats that are not approved. SoftballNation now allows some so-called ASA only bats.

The early deadline for league sign-up is March 1st. Entries are taken on a first come first serve basis. The league registration fee **goes up** after March 1st and we can only take teams until the leagues are full. Once we have the league teams signed up, we'll have a league meeting on **Tuesday March 26th at Gates Elementary School at 7:00pm to go over the season and league rules.**

The season will begin the week of April 7th. (Sunday night teams will begin April 7th)

I'm looking forward to a great season this year and hope to see your team in the leagues this year.

If you have any questions, you can reach me at 804-378-2285 or by email: tilcomm@aol.com

Thanks.

Butch Tiller
SoftballNation



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Guidelines: These are guidelines for the leagues at Harry Daniel Park and Warbro Complex under SoftballNation.

Rosters: All League Roster Forms must be completed and turned with your team registration form and fee. You may add players to your roster until May 11th. After May 11th, all League Rosters are locked in and frozen. The roster form is included below. Please be advised that all rosters will be checked to determine accurate residency of players.

Grace Period: A 5 Minute Grace Period will be given to teams for the 6:30pm game only if a team has fewer than 8 players. For COED teams, if a team has 9 players and only 4 are women, the 5th man's turn at bat is skipped until the 5th female arrives. A team may play a game with eight (8) players.

Rainouts: We will attempt to reschedule all rained out games. However, SoftballNation reserves the right to schedule the rainouts on a night other than the normally scheduled night. Rained out games may also be eliminated from the schedule if necessary.

Courtesy Runners: Each team is allowed one courtesy runner per inning.

Alcohol: Alcohol is not allowed in Chesterfield County Parks. Teams have been warned that alcohol is strictly prohibited from the dugouts. This policy will be strictly enforced in 2019. Any Player drinking alcohol while participating in a game will be ejected and the team may forfeit. **Be aware that undercover police officers may be patrolling the parks.**

Forfeits: Any team that forfeits two or more weeks by No Show for any reason will be eliminated from participating in the league playoffs.

Ejections: If a player is ejected from a game, he/she must sit out the following game. If a player is ejected from the second game of the night, he/she must sit out the first game the next week.

NOTE: SoftballNation reserves the right to remove any player or spectator (without refund) from participation for conduct that is considered to be unsportsmanlike.

SUSPENSION: Unsportsmanlike Conduct: If a player is "Suspended" for continued unsportsmanlike conduct, the suspension is for any and all leagues in which the player may participate. Fighting, for any reason, is grounds for an automatic suspension of at least one calendar year. If a player makes physical contact with an umpire in an abusive manner, he/she will be suspended indefinitely and without appeal. PLEASE NOTE; IF A PLAYER IS SUSPENDED, THIS MEANS FROM ANY AND ALL LEAGUES IN WHICH HE/SHE PARTICIPATES.

Please Note: Verbal Abuse towards an umpire or another player or spectator is not acceptable for any reason and will not be tolerated.



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Level of Ability Guidelines:

To help you decide which league your team should be in, please use this guide to properly select your league. **Please note, after league play begins, your team may be placed in another league that is more suitable to your level of competition.**

Competitive: A competitive level league team is one on which the players on the team know how to play and are above average in skill level. Many, but not all, of the players may play on tournament teams and/or may play more than one night a week. Competitive level teams generally hit more home runs and also use the latest, greatest high tech equipment.

How do you know?: You know who you are.

Recreational: A recreational team consists of players of average ability. A rec team may have one player who plays on a tournament team. Players on a rec team are generally better than beginners. Rec teams may have one or two players who hit home runs.

How do you know?: You have a player or two who know about bats and balls and can hit a home run.

Duffer League: (NON SERIOUS REC LEAGUE) **This is the lowest level league.** Teams at this level are of below average ability and usually just play once a week. These are often beginner teams or teams just playing to have some fun and get some exercise. If you put your team in this league, you better be bad or we'll move you up without hesitation.

How do you know?: Does your pitcher step towards the plate when he or she pitches? Do some of your players wear sneakers? Do you have trouble finding someone who knows how to keep score?

Day of League Play	Level of Competition	Probable Field Location
Sunday Men	Competitive	Ironbridge
Sunday Men	Recreational	Ironbridge
Monday Men (NEW)	35 & Over League	Ironbridge
Tuesday COED	Competitive	Ironbridge
Tuesday COED	Recreational	Ironbridge
Tuesday COED	Duffer	Ironbridge
Tuesday Men	Competitive	Warbro
Tuesday Men	Recreational	Warbro
Wednesday COED	Competitive	Ironbridge
Wednesday COED	Recreational	Ironbridge
Wednesday COED	Duffer	Ironbridge
Wednesday Men	Recreational	Warbro
Thursday Men	Competitive	Ironbridge
Thursday Men	Recreational	Ironbridge
Thursday Men	Duffer	Warbro



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Please fill out the information below and return this form with your league sign-up fee along with your team roster and non-residency fees to: **SOFTBALLNATION, 210 Huddersfield Drive Richmond, Virginia 23236.** Questions: call: **Butch Tiller 804-378-2285.**

Format: Teams will play two (2) games each week. Games will begin at 6:30pm with a 50 minute time limit on each game.

Rules: SOFTBALLNATION Rules will apply.

****League Fee: \$850.00 (Entries Received Before March 1st Receive a \$55 Discount.)**

PLEASE NOTE: YOUR COMPLETED ROSTER ALONG WITH NON RESIDENCY FEES MUST BE SENT IN WITH THIS FORM. NO EXCEPTIONS.

SOFTBALLNATION SPRING/SUMMER SOFTBALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Please return this portion **with payment and roster** along with registration and non-residency fees to:
SOFTBALLNATION 210 Huddersfield Drive Richmond, Va. 23236

(Pay before March 1st: \$795. After March 1st: \$850) League Fee Amount Enclosed: _____

Fee includes a 20 Game (minimum) schedule: **

Total Number of Non Chesterfield Residents: _____ **x \$15.00 (each):** _____ **+ _____**
(see roster form for details)

Total Enclosed: _____

By filling out this form and sending it in with your league fee you are agreeing to abide by all the rules and regulations of this league and to be honest and accurate with your team's level of ability. We reserve the right to remove any team from any league after it has started if it is determined that the team is too good for the league requested. If it is determined that your team has been deliberately deceptive in declaring your level of ability, you may be removed from a league without refund.

Team Name: _____ Men: _____ COED _____

Competitive (3 & 1up, Singles) _____	Recreational (1up & Singles) _____	DUFFER: NON Tournament Rec (0 Home Runs): _____ <i>(This means you have no players on your team that play tournament softball)</i>
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Circle ONE Preferred Night (NOT GUARANTEED)

Sunday Men Ironbridge	Tuesday Men Warbro	Tuesday COED Ironbridge	Wednesday COED Ironbridge	Wednesday Men Warbro	Thursday Men Ironbridge/Warbro
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Coach's Name: _____

Coach's Phone: Cell: _____ Home/Work: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Va. Zip: _____

Email: _____

All Players not living in Chesterfield County are subject to a \$15 non-residency fee that must be included with your team registration fee. **For Roster Purposes: Players residing in these zip codes are considered Chesterfield Residents: 23112, 23113, 23114, 23120, 23224, 23225, 23234, 23235, 23236, 23237, 23803, 23806, 23831, 23832, 23834, 23836, You must include a completed roster with this entry. IF you don't include a roster, you will be placed in a competitive league.**

****Please NOTE: Rain Outs will be re-scheduled and may be on a night other than your regular league night).**

****Please NOTE: The league fee guarantees your team a minimum of 20 games. However, your team may receive a schedule with more. We will attempt to make up all rained out games, however, some games may be eliminated due to scheduling and/or other unforeseen circumstances.**

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OFFICIAL CHESTERFIELD LEAGUE ROSTER

Team Name:		League Night:	
Coach's Name:		Coach's Cell Phone:	
Coach's email:			

As coach of this team, I attest that the names and addresses on this roster form are accurate. _____
 (coach's signature)

This roster form is for league purposes and Chesterfield County Non Residency Requirements
THIS ROSTER FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH YOUR LEAGUE REGISTRATION FEE. FOR EACH PLAYER THAT IS NOT A CHESTERFIELD RESIDENT OR DOES NOT RESIDE IN THE ZIP CODES LISTED, THERE IS A \$15 NON-RESIDENT FEE. THIS FORM WILL BE CHECKED FOR ACCURACY AND ALL NON-RESIDENT FEES MUST BE ADDED TO YOUR LEAGUE REGISTRATION FEE.

For Roster Purposes: Players residing in these zip codes are considered Chesterfield Residents: 23112, 23113, 23114, 23120, 23224, 23225, 23234, 23235, 23236, 23237, 23803, 23806, 23831, 23832, 23834, 23836, 23838

ALL TEAM MANAGERS AND PLAYERS MUST READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT BEFORE COMPLETING AND SIGNING

In consideration of being permitted to participate as a member team with Sportsnation.org , I hereby agree for myself, successor, heirs and assigns, release and forever discharge Sportsnation.org, and Softballnation, their employees, officers, and directors from all claims, actions or judgements I may have or claim to have against Sportsnation.org/Softballnation for all personal injuries, including death, and injuries to property, real or personal, caused by or arising out of my participation with Sportsnation/Softballnation, - either Leagues or Tournaments. I further agree for myself, successor, heirs and assigns to indemnify and hold Sportsnation/Softballnation harmless from all claims and suits for personal injuries, including death, damages to property caused by my act of omission arising out of participation with Sportsnation/Softballnation and from all judgements recovered and from all expenses incurred in defending said claims or suits. I further agree that my photographs, pictures, slides or movies taken or made by Sportsnation/Softballnation, their employees, officers and directors, in connection with my participation with Sportsnation/Softballnation either leagues or tournaments, or any reproduction of the same, as well as my name, may in any manner be used by Sportsnation/Softballnation, or by any person, corporation or association authorized by Sportsnation/Softballnation. I am in good health and have no physical condition that would prevent me from participating in Sportsnation/Softballnation events.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING RELEASE.

	Print or Type Player's Name	Player's Signature	Street Address, City, State	Zip	Phone:	Chesterfield Resident? Yes or No
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Rosters must be turned in with team registration form to:
 SoftballNation, 210 Huddersfield Drive, Richmond, VA 23236
 (804) 378-2285