



Fall is Focus on Fun and Safety

The City of Charleston Recreation Department will offer fall sports for our citizens. Fall sports will look different than our normal fall season. We will institute new standards, protocols and game rules that will meet or exceed CDC national standards for keeping our children safe when playing outdoor sports. Our goal is to provide an atmosphere to allow our children to exercise, socialize, be fit and have fun!

- **Coaches/Parents and Players will follow all city ordinances for masks established at time of play
- **Parents will be required to socially distance
- **Parents will sit on the same side as their child’s team, field will be lined for spectators viewing

YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL FACT SHEET

- Practices will start after Labor Day
- Games will begin first of October
- No combines or drafts this season. Random draw, limited request.
- Request will be limited to one request per player and not guaranteed. Limits will apply to avoid manipulation of teams. Coordinators will make final roster decisions.
- Some age groups may be combined depending on registration.
- 8 games per league 9-13 yr olds – 3 week of practice, 4-6 weeks of games
- 6 game league 5-8 yr olds — 3 week of practice, 4 weeks of games
- Game structure will be pods/cohorting of 4 teams to limit exposure in all age groups when applicable.
- Coaches will be issued team equipment but will need to be sanitized by coach.
- Parents are strongly urged to provide all needed equipment for your child. To include batter’s helmets and catchers gear.
- Coaches will only be able to coach one team.
- Two coaches per team max. Prefer one.
- Umpires will be used for 9 and above when available. We are experiencing a shortage umpires.
- Only one umpire will be used and will stand behind pitcher in all leagues.
- We will minimize to eliminate all travel to other areas for this season.
- Teams will line up on their side after game ends and wave or bow in sportsmanship - No shaking of hands with opposing team or umpires
- No travel outside the city of Charleston
- No spectators in bleachers.
- Dugouts and first two rows of bleachers will be used for players so they can socially distance when not in play.
- Baseballs/Softballs will be sanitized at a minimum between innings.
- No chewing gum, seeds, licking fingers, etc.

League:

• 5-6 league	Co-Ed	8 man roster – 10 max per team	Saturday games
• 7-8 league	Co-Ed	9 man roster – 11 max per team	Saturday games
• 9-10 league	Boys	9 man roster – 12 max per team	Weeknight games
• 11-13 league	Boys	9 man roster – 12 max per team	Weeknight games
• 8-10 league SB	Girls	9 man roster – 12 max per team	Weeknight games
• 11-13 league SB	Girls	9 man roster – 12 max per team	Weeknight games

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