

KNOX COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL LEAGUE
17 & UNDER RULES AND BY-LAWS
TSSAA SOFTBALL

REGISTRATION: All players and coaches must sign a County Contract to be eligible to play in the Knox County 17 & Under Softball League. Season will begin May 24th .

Game Rules: Unless otherwise stated, all rules shall be TSSAA Rules.

1. Home Team will be determined by flip of coin by the umpires.
2. There will be a 15 minute grace period for the 1st game of the night only.
3. In case of inclement weather, call the info lines listed below: Sites are subjected to change.

South-Doyle High School – 215-4263

Karns High School – 215-4263

Follow the directions to the site you are to be playing at...

4. The mercy rule will be as follows: 15 runs after 3 innings, 12 runs after 4 innings, 8 runs after 5 innings will be called a game. Games will be 7 innings otherwise with a time limit of 75 minutes (1:15). No new inning after this time. If the score is tied at this time then the teams will go to International Tie Break Rule. If a winner is not declared after 1 full inning of International then the game will be called in a tie.
5. No infield warm-ups are allowed. Warm-up in the outfield only, or designated warm up areas.
6. The home plate umpire or the field umpire will have the official game time. It is the coaches responsibility to know how much time is left in the game.
7. Courteous runners will be used for pitchers and catchers only to speed the game along.
8. No protests are allowed.
9. The umpires will check bats and players equipment to ensure proper safety is being met.
10. Each team must supply 2 new softballs to begin the game. Make sure to get your teams softballs back after the game is over.
11. Knox County Parks and Recreation will have on site Field Directors who will be the game directors for that location you are playing at. You may direct any questions to these supervisors or directors – These names are subjected to change:
South Doyle – Nick and/or Allison Jacobs
Karns – Rick and/or Judy Siebert
12. All players must be in like uniforms, with non-duplicating numbers on the back of each jersey.
13. Players are only allowed to play for one (1) team. No adding of players after June 4th .
14. No refunds of league fees will be given once the schedules have been completed.
15. **It is recommended that all players get a chance to participate in this league.**

DISCIPLINARY:

All participants are required to behave. **Coaches are responsible** for the actions of their players, fans and assistant coaches. The disciplinary policy of Knox County will be used as the policy manual for this league. The umpires are in charge of each game and will do the best they can to call the games, but will not tolerate unruly behavior. **If anyone is ejected by the umpires, they will be required to sit out the next scheduled game or risk forfeiting the game. If this same person is ejected again, once they have served their first punishment, they will be required to sit out the rest of the season.**

Knox County Parks and Recreation has the right to make changes to the schedule or policies as they see necessary.

INSURANCE:

Softball insurance has no deductible. (Note: All individuals must use the 2010 contract forms (accident form and Part A and B form) provided by Knox County Parks and Recreation which can be found on www.knoxcounty.org/parks (downloadable forms) Participants may not start practice before May 10th 2010 in order to be covered by Knox County Insurance. If you have personal insurance, you must file with them first then with Knox County. **Knox County Insurance is a supplemental policy** ***\$10,000 maximum coverage. Knox County Insurance will pay maximum \$50.00 for dental claims. When an accident occurs, you must file an accident report within 1 week from the time of the accident to Knox County Parks and Recreation Department. This form is on our website www.knoxcounty.org/parks or can be picked up at our office located at 2447 Sutherland Avenue. The Insurance Claim Forms part A and part B are also necessary to process any claim. You will have 90 days to complete this process, after such time, you are not guaranteed coverage.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Websites: www.knoxcounty.org/parks
www.tssaa.org

Knox County Info Line : 215-4263

Jennifer Gentry : 865-215-6609 work, 865-659-1786 cell