

NEW WESTMINSTER PARKS & RECREATION
CO-ED SLO-PITCH LEAGUE PLAYOFF INFORMATION & GUIDELINES - 2023

- *Playoff games are scheduled for July 14 & 15, 2023. All rescheduled games must be completed and scores reported prior to 10:00 am, Monday, July 10.*
- *Expect that games will run as scheduled, rain or shine. All games are to be played as scheduled on the Friday and Saturday of the playoff weekend unless a NWPR staff person has otherwise informed the team captains.*
- *Awards will be presented to the 1st & 2nd place team of each division at the conclusion of the final game.*

PLAYING GUIDELINES... All rules, as stated in the Softball Canada Rule Book and NWPR regular season playing guidelines, shall apply to the playoffs. Please take note of these exceptions and additions...

- **Alcohol is not permitted within City parks at any time. Any team found using alcohol will be subject to suspension from the playoffs and may be ineligible to apply to the NWPR Slo-pitch League next season.**
- Any team who defaults or does not show up for a playoff game will be ineligible to apply to NWPR Slo-pitch League next season, at the coordinator's discretion.
- **All games are to begin at the scheduled time.** The 15 minute grace period will not be allowed. Early game starts will be permitted upon mutual agreement of both team captains. Teams that are playing on diamonds at two different parks should make every effort to finish games and to move between parks as quickly as possible.
- There will be no pre-game infield practice.
- Each game will consist of a maximum of 7 innings (within the 1½ hour maximum time limit) with a maximum of 7 runs per inning. The last inning shall be an open inning. Any inning already in progress at the 1½ hour time limit may be completed. No new innings may be started after the time limit unless the score is tied. *(see point below)*
- If the score is tied at the end of the seventh inning (or at the end of the 1½ hour time limit), the International Rule will be used for the remaining innings. This rule states that the last batter out will start on second base and the inning will be played as usual.
- The home team will be determined by the flip of a coin.
- The home team will supply bases; a 1st base safety bag, a mat, and game softballs. Artificial turf bases will be provided for games at Queen's East #4 and #5.
- At Queen's Park #3 diamond, any ball that is hit over the fence is a ground rule double. Any ball that is tipped over the fence is an automatic home run.