

Adult Men's and Women's Softball

Participant Reference Guide

- **Description:** Organize a team and oil up that glove because adult, slow pitch softball is here! Recreational games are scheduled and officiated by the Parks and Recreation Department, all skill levels welcome.
- **Season Dates:** May 25th – July 19th
- **Ages:** 18+
- **Divisions:** Men's and Women's, separated
- **Cost:** \$400 per team
- **Registration Opens:** January 7th
- **Registration Closes:** May 3rd
- **Coaches Meeting:** May 24th at the Astoria Recreation Center (1555 W Marine Dr., Astoria, 97103)
- **Practice Schedule:** At teams discretion based on available field space, starting May 25th
- **Game Schedule Posted:** May 31st
- **Games Begin:** June 4th
- **Game Schedule:** 2 games each week, held on weekday evenings; 12 games total
- **Tournament:** July 15th – 19th
- **Location:** Niemi or Evergreen Field
- **Uniform:** None provided
- **Equipment:** Game balls, rule books and score books are provided; teams must supply gloves and bats
- **Staff Contact:** LeRoy Woodrich, Recreation Coordinator
 - Phone: 503-325-7275
 - Email: lwoodrich@astoria.or.us
- **Communication Expectations:** Participants will be contacted via email by LeRoy Woodrich, Recreation Coordinator, prior to the start of the session. Please ensure your contact information is up to date.
- **Inclement Weather Policy:** The Astoria School District can close schools as necessary in the case of severe weather. Please check the Astoria Parks website (www.astoriaparks.com), as notifications regarding schedule changes will be posted on the website by 3pm the day-of, and appear on the homepage and the main-page for the affected sports. Last-minute cancellations may still occur, in which case staff will do their best to notify participants via a phone call.
 - **Rain Outs:** "Rain outs" will typically be determined at the field by the coaches, and may occur if the field is too wet to play on.
 - **Lightning Policy:** Officials and coaches make decisions based on recommendations from the National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL) using the flash-to-bang method. If a thunder clap is heard within 30 seconds of the lightning flash, then all games and practices are suspended for a minimum of 30 minutes. If a suspension occurs due to lightning, individuals should leave the site and seek refuge in a safe location.
- **Make-Up Games:** If a game is canceled due to weather, it is the responsibility of both coaches to reschedule the games or both teams will be credited with a forfeit. Rescheduled games must be approved by LeRoy Woodrich, Recreation Coordinator. Should, in the coordinators judgement, a team appear to be avoiding making up the game, he shall have the authority to declare a forfeit in favor of the other team.
- **Survey:** At the end of the season, participants will receive a short survey via email. As we are continually striving to increase the quality of our programs and improve customer service, we truly value your feedback. Please let us know how we did!