

## 2019 Adult Slow Pitch Softball Information

The Owatonna Slow Pitch Softball Association in cooperation with the Owatonna Park & Recreation Department offers organized leagues in Men's and Co-Rec. Games are played early May through August at the Fairgrounds softball complex.

- Team registration deadline is Thursday, March 14 at 4:30pm.
- Softball Association Annual/Mandatory Manager's Meeting is in April (date TBD) at 6:00pm at Owatonna Knights of Columbus. Schedules will be available and player fees can be paid at the meeting.
- Individuals wishing to find a team should call the Park & Rec office at 507-444-4321 to be put on a list.

### Men's Leagues

Men's American League plays 22 games, double headers, other men's leagues play 20 games with double headers. Men's fees include End of Year Tournament fee. If you do not wish to play in the post-season tournament, you must request a refund from the Owatonna Softball Association by July 1<sup>st</sup>. Tentative nights of play: American & Stripes – Wednesdays (starting May 1), Steele & Stars – Mondays (starting May 6), Four Diamond & Straight River – Thursdays and some Tuesdays (starting May 9)

### Co-Rec Leagues

The unique rules governing Co-Rec Softball help the sport remain recreational. Co-Rec plays a total of 14 games with some double headers. The bottom league is recreational and teams can play games with as many women as they want. Night of Play: Tuesday (starting May 14)

### Team & Player Fees

Team Registration Deadline is **Thursday, March 14**, team fees are payable to **Owatonna Parks & Recreation**.

Player fees are due before the first night of play. Checks are payable to **Owatonna Parks & Recreation**. All fees include tax and a Softball Association fee for field improvements (\$10 for women/co-rec, \$15 for men).

Men's American	\$350 team fee	\$45 player fee Steele County Residents, \$55 outside player
Other Men's	\$325 team fee	\$45 player fee Steele County Residents, \$55 outside player
Co-Rec	\$195 team fee	\$40 player fee Steele County Residents, \$55 outside player

### Classes of Competition

State Classification is done by the Minnesota Sports Federation. A team shall remain the same classification if five or more players are returning. League directors classify new teams. It is the manager's responsibility to let league director know if there is a change in personnel that may affect classification.

Team Classification: Additionally, a team may not have more than three players from a higher class unless they petition to lower their team classification. (Example: A team wins the class "C" state championship and returns/recruits any combination of four or more players who were registered on a "C" team or higher during the preceding two seasons or following year since they returned/recruited four or more players that comprise their softball teams.)

Players may not play more than one full letter class lower than their player classification (Example: Mike's Place has 1-3 players who previously played on a class C team. The rest of the roster has played at D or lower. The lowest class Mike's Place could play in without petitioning is class D.)

## **Players can now register and pay online!**

### **Here's how your players can register and pay online:**

1. After you register your team, you'll receive a team code. Please distribute this code to your players; players will use this code to register online.
2. Players log onto Max Solutions: <http://owatonnaparksrectest.maxgalaxy.net/Home.aspx>, if they've recently played a sport through Park & Rec, they can use the Login in Button and click on Forgot Password. If not, they should click on Create an Account.
3. Click on Registration, then League Registration, choose Adult Softball.
4. Click on the Register button for the league they're registering for.
5. Enter the team code, provided by team manager.
6. Verify the team and manager names.
7. Continue with registration until complete.

**\*If players pay their player fee online, they must still sign the paper roster form to be a legal player.**