

MEN'S THURSDAY NIGHT SOFTBALL RULES

GENERAL RULES:

Players must be at least 35 years old.

GAME RULES:

Umpires for the 6:10 games to be provided by the teams from the 7:00 game and vice versa.

All first games have a 50 minute time limit and a maximum 5 minute grace period.

Tie games stand

Overthrown ball that hits the fence is in play

Overthrown ball that goes into bench is one base

Use of "banned" composite bats is not allowed. (ASA list)

Two strikes for a batter is out.

Three balls for a walk.

BASE RUNNING:

No sliding! Anyone sliding will automatically be called out.

There is a chalk line 15 ft from home plate. Any runner advancing past this line cannot return to third base. Any runner that is past this line is out if the catcher catches the ball and steps on home plate before the runner does. This rule applies for any play at the plate, even if there is not a force play. This is to help avoid collisions and injuries. A tag can be made for instance if a bad throw is made that pulls catcher off home plate.