



City of Mesa, Arizona

Parks & Recreation
Senior Softball
Rules & Regulations

City of Mesa Parks & Recreation Department - Athletics

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OVERVIEW

Welcome to the City of Mesa. Thank you for participating in the Senior Softball program. This recreational program is provided for your fun and enjoyment. Your cooperation, good sportsmanship, and communication with our Sports Office is important in making this program a success. The City of Mesa reserves the right to make changes to this document as necessary. These amendments would regard only matters of very unusual circumstances deemed necessary by the City of Mesa. All softball games will be played in accordance with <u>ASA/USA Softball rules except for any rule changes specifically stated in these rules as pertaining to local situations (house rules). Umpires as well as City of Mesa Staff and their decisions will be respected and not interfered with at any time. Unsportsmanlike conduct, disrespect, vulgarity, or profanity will not be tolerated at any time. On behalf of our department, we would like to wish your team a successful season.</u>

GENERAL INFORMATION

Field Locations

Red Mountain Park Ballfields	7624 E. Brown Rd	300 feet	8 fields
Skyline Softball Complex	655 S. Crismon Rd	300 feet	4 fields
Eastmark Softball Complex	4907 S. Inspirian Pkwy	300 feet	4 fields
Christopher J. Brady Park	7045 E. Monterey Ave	225 feet	4 fields

Field Specifications

Bases 65 feet

Fence 225 or 300 feet (varies, depending on park)

Batters Box 3 feet X 7 feet Strike Pad 22"x 27"

Pitching Distance 50 feet from Homeplate

THINGS TO KNOW

Weather Information: Game-day (field) conditions can change quickly. The Rain Line (480-644-2765) will be updated by 3:00 PM on game days. It is the team manager's responsibility to check the Rain Line & notify their team of any changes. If the rain line isn't updated, you can assume games are on.

- Games will proceed as scheduled unless fields are unsafe or unplayable
- If games are canceled, managers will be notified by email and the schedule will be updated
- Make-up games will be rescheduled when possible and may occur on any day of the week
- Games will resume from the point they were stopped.
- A game is considered regulation after 4 or more innings have been completed.

Age Requirement: Men participants must be 55 years old or older by the first game of the season. Women participants must be 45 years old or older by the first game of the season.

Evaluations/Complaints/Incidents/Protests: Written complaints will only be <u>accepted within 24 hours</u> after the incident for review. Please email complaints or recommendations to <u>adult.sports@mesaaz.gov</u>. Teams are encouraged to use the flipside of the scorecard to provide professional, constructive evaluation of their game/umpire (s).

Any issues, errors, or topics in need of clarification? Don't hesitate to contact us!

Identification: All participants are required to carry a photo ID during league and tournament play (due to players' protest.)

- Print first and last name on lineup (scorecard).
- False or none identification of players will result in a one-week suspension for the player and/or captain and can't participate in games. First Warning.

Ball Return Policy: The City of Mesa uses top-grade ASA/USA softballs. Men's & Coed leagues will receive one new ball each game. Used softballs are the property of the City of Mesa and must be returned to the umpire or site staff after every game.

- The hitting team is responsible for retrieving all foul balls and home run balls
- Balls must be attempted to be retrieved before the next inning begins. If not, the first batter of the inning will be called out.
- Teams may use identical ASA/USA certified softball with MAX 300 lb & MAX .52 COR in place of retrieving balls

The City of Mesa sells used game balls may be purchased from the Adult Sports office for use during games. Please email adult.sports@mesaaz.gov to coordinate purchase and pickup.

Uniform: No team uniform rule. Dress appropriately. Including no vulgar or sexually related attire.

Steel/Metal Cleats: No steel or metal cleats are allowed. Cleats must be of nylon or rubber substance on a single sole. Still need to have closed toed shoes on. (no open toed shoes).

Jewelry: Casts & splints must be padded. Exposed jewelry, which is judged by the umpire to be dangerous, must be removed & not worn during the game. Medical alert bracelets/necklaces are not considered jewelry. If worn, they must be taped to the body and medical alert information visible.

Infield Warm-Up: Teams are encouraged to use the space <u>between</u> fields for warmups. DO NOT warm up near spectator areas.

Soft Toss: Batting the ball against any fence at any field is <u>not allowed</u>. Penalty for first offense: warning, second offense: suspension.

Bats: All bats must meet the requirements in the USA/ASA softball rulebook. Please use the link below for more information.

https://www.teamsideline.com/sites/mesaaz/content/7670/Bat-Testing

Equipment Bats (teamusa.org)

Softball Bat Compression Testing: All bats used in City of Mesa Adult Softball leagues must:

- Be an ASA/USA approved bat with stamp
- Appear on the USA Certified Bat list (www.usasoftball.com)
- · Pass a bat compression test conducted by a City of Mesa or partnering city staff
- Must have the current "All City Softball" sticker dated through the current year

Enforcement & Penalties:

- Bats may be confiscated or have their sticker removed by staff and must be re-tested before further use
- Illegal bats or those that fail testing are not allowed in league play
- Using an unstickered bat in the batters box results in the batter being called out
- Altering a tested bat results in a 5-year suspension for the user and owner
- Final decisions regarding bat legality are made by the umpire and city staff

End Cap Rule - If a bat's end cap comes off during a legal hit, the play will continue until the umpire calls time. After the play, the umpire and/or site staff will visually inspect the bat, then:

- If the bat is not deemed altered, the play will stand, but the bat will be disqualified from further use
- If the bat appears to be altered, the player will be:
 - Called Out
 - Ejected from the game
 - All outs will stand, and base runners will return to the base they occupied at the time of the pitch
- The site supervisor will remove the bats sticker on the spot

Pre-Game and In-Game Procedures: To remain on schedule each day, each team is responsible for the following.

- Arrive for the scheduled game at least 10 minutes prior to game time.
- The home team is responsible for keeping the official score (must provide a knowledgeable scorekeeper over the age of 16). In the event the home team cannot keep an accurate score, the visiting team has the option to become the home team, provided a legitimate scorekeeper is available.
- Lineups should be completed at least 10 minutes prior to scheduled game time (first & last name).
- Umpires will start the games with a pregame meeting.
- Each team is responsible to keep track of the score and confirm with the scorekeeper after each inning. The umpire must initial the final score sheet.
- Umpires have jurisdiction at games.

Missing Umpire Procedure: The City of Mesa contracts umpires for every game. If for any reason there is no contracted umpire at a game site, please contact the site supervisor.

- The site supervisor may step in and officiate the game if no umpire shows up
- If multiple umpires are missing or other issues arise then games may be rescheduled

Alcohol/Smoking: Alcohol and/or smoking of any kind (including electronic cigarettes) is not allowed at any park at any time. Spectators are the responsibility of the team. If found to be in violation, the individual(s) will be required to dispose of the alcohol/smoking item immediately, plus:

- First Offense:
 - o Player(s): Ejected from game & suspension including next scheduled game (8 days)
 - o Team: Warning
- Second Offense:
 - Teams and/or Player(s) violating this policy a second time may be subjected to forfeiture and/or ejection of the game and/or expulsion from the league.

The City of Mesa Adult Sports reserves the right to contact Park Rangers/Police, if needed, as well as assess additional suspensions, forfeitures or removal from the league.

Park Hours: City of Mesa parks close at 10:00p.m. Activity in the parking lots or ball field areas is not allowed after 10:00pm. (City of Mesa programming may, upon approval from Deputy Director, extend game play to complete a game in progress)

Golf Carts/Scooters/Bikes/Roller Blades: Golf Carts, Scooters, bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards, or any other wheeled vehicles are **not allowed** in the sports complexes.

Insurance: Medical insurance is the responsibility of the team or the individual. The City of Mesa does not carry medical insurance for participants or spectators.

Music: May be played in the team's dugout. Music must only be of a volume that can be heard in that team's dugout. No vulgar or offensive music. Umpires and Site Supervisors have the right to request a team to change the music, turn volume down if too loud or vulgar & turn the music off completely.

Refunds: A transfer or refund (minus a \$100 nonrefundable fee) will be provided up to 7 days before the activity begins. No changes or refunds are allowed within 7 days of the activity's start date. (This also applies to teams who are removed from the league for registering in a lower or higher division than approved.)

Managers Responsibilities: All managers are expected to inform their players concerning all rules and regulations. Make sure all rosters and release forms are in by the set deadline. They will inform all players of scheduled games, schedule changes, make-up games, and standings. After a rainout, managers are responsible for knowing when the makeup is. Managers are also responsible for notifying the adult sports office of any changes in their contact info. Managers should also check the score of games periodically on teamsideline to ensure accuracy and to initial the final score on back of the scorecards. Game scores are final 2 weeks after the game was played. Team managers are also responsible for their team members as well as spectators.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Season Length/ Tournament: The regular season will consist of 7 weeks of double-header games adding up to 14 games guaranteed. See weather information for weather related cancellations/ makeups. Following the regular season there will be a single elimination tournament consisting of the top 8 teams in the league.

Schedules: Once the league is full and rosters are submitted, team schedules will be posted at: www.teamsideline.com/sites/mesaaz/schedules

Schedule requests are not guaranteed but usually offered. This is done to allow teams the ability to play every game and avoid forfeits if several players on a team won't be able to attend a game.

- Managers must ensure the adult sports office has an up-to-date email address
- Make-up games may be rescheduled on different nights, fields, or times than normal
- The league coordinator reserves the right to reassign teams to the appropriate division or classification in the best interest of the league balance and fair play

Standings: Scores are final 2 weeks after the game concludes and can be found at www.teamsideline.com/sites/mesaaz/schedules Standings are determined in order by:

- 1. Best winning percentage.
- 2. Head-to-head record
- 3. Head-to-head run differential
- 4. Total run differential (Runs for runs against)
- 5. A coin flip

Any team that has forfeited multiple weeks will automatically take the lowest position in standings.

The league coordinator reserves the right to move any team (up or down) based upon past performance record. No reclassifications are guaranteed once a team is signed up in a league. (It is the manager's responsibility to sign up in the correct league. If a team registered accidentally in a higher division, the team may choose to play in that league or drop from the league <u>without</u> a refund.

ROSTER POLICIES

Roster Rules

- 1. Roster Requirements
 - All players must be listed with their full name and email on the roster to be eligible to play.
 - Teams may have up to 20 players on their roster.
 - Managers need to add themselves as a player if they also intend on playing.
 - Managers are responsible for finalizing the roster **no later than Week 4** of the season.
- 2. How to Submit the Roster
 - Rosters must be completed online at:
 - https://www.teamsideline.com/sites/mesaaz/home
 - Managers will add players in the manage rosters section once they login to the site above and must invite their players so they can enroll.
 - Once the Week 4 deadline passes, <u>rosters will be frozen</u> (no changes allowed).
 - If a manager needs special accommodation, they may submit a paper roster instead.
- 3. Roster Deadlines & Consequences
 - If the roster is still not completed by Week 5, the team may be ineligible for the tournament.
 - If a manager is having any issues with their roster they must email the adult.sports@mesaaz.gov email by the night of their week 4's games at the latest.
- 4. Player Eligibility
 - Players must digitally/physically sign the waiver as well as the adult sports code of conduct.

- A player may only be on one team per day, across all divisions and levels.
- If a player is found playing on multiple teams, they risk being suspended.

5. Free Agents

• If a manager needs more players, the adult sports office has a list of free agents that the manager can request. Please email adult.sports@mesaaz and specify the gender in need.

6. Roster Verification

- PRCF staff may randomly verify rosters to confirm eligibility.
- Inaccurate or false player information may lead to:
 - The removal of the player or
 - Disqualification of the entire team.

Reminder: Managers must keep their team's roster up to date

Roster Submit Help for Managers

When a Roster Status is Open. Follow these steps to add team members and change your Roster Status from Open to Submitted.

Step 1: Go to www.teamsideline.com/mesaaz then login at the top left part of the screen.

Step 2: Find your team on the left side bar and click. Click the "Add to Roster" button to add team members. To add team members, you need their first and last name plus their e-mail address. You can also click the "Copy Roster" button to add all team members from a previous seasons roster.

Note: If you do a copy or start adding players to your roster, then you will not see the "Copy Roster" button again. The copy should be done first, and then new players should be added to the existing roster. If your copy button is no longer available, contact the adult sports office.

Step 3: When done adding team members, click the "Submit" button to change your roster to Submitted.

Note: You must change your Roster status to *Submitted* to notify City of Mesa that your Team has met the minimum Roster requirements

PLAYING RULES

All softball games will be played in accordance with USA Softball (formerly Amateur Softball Association of America) except for any rule changes specifically stated in these rules or on the team schedules as pertaining to local situations (house rules).

Walking a Male Batter with a Female Up Next: If a Male batter is walked and a Female batter follows, the Male will automatically advance to second base. This rule prevents teams from intentionally walking a Male batter to reach a Female batter and set up a potential double play.

Number of Players:

- A team must have at least 8 players to start a game and a maximum of 20 batters.
- If starting with only 8 players, there are no automatic outs for missing players #9 and #10
- Teams consistently playing with less than 10 players may be asked to leave the league.
- Teams are encouraged to bring at least 10 players to every game.

Eligibility of Players: Beginning in week 4, A site supervisor may check a team's roster at any reason. All participants are required to carry a valid photo ID to verify eligibility. Any player found ineligible may cause their team to <u>forfeit the game</u>.

For protest purposes, teams must complete the lineup on the scorecard with <u>first & last</u> names. If an eligibility concern is raised, the Adult Sports Office reserves the right to take any disciplinary action.

In-Game Injuries: or a player having to leave a game other than ejection.

- The game may continue if the team still has 8 or more eligible players
- The team may:
 - Substitute a legal player into the lineup for the injured or absent, OR
 - o Take an automatic out the first time that spot in the lineup comes up (only once)
- If the injured/absent player is a base runner, a courtesy runner may be used to complete the play. If no eligible substitute is available, the runner will be declared out.

Game and Innings:

- All games in slow pitch SENIOR softball (division and league tournaments) are 7 innings.
- AT THE 55 min mark we will finish the current inning, then the NEXT/LAST inning is an OPEN inning (no time/run limit).
- If a game reaches the 7th inning, then the 7th inning is considered the OPEN inning.
- The championship game in the tournament will last 7 innings. (The run rule is still in effect.)
- There is a 5 run max limit per inning except for the 7th inning (open inning).
- During the 7th inning, no maximum run limit applies.
- All games: A game called by the umpire shall be regulation if four or more innings have been played, or if the team second at bat has scored more runs in 3 1/2 innings than the opposing team has scored in four or more innings. Any game not considered regulation will be made up at the exact point where it was stopped.

Consecutive Innings Format:

To help all teams complete a full 7-inning game and minimize downtime between half innings, the following format will be used for innings 1–2 and innings 3–4:

- The same teams will remain in their batting & fielding positions for two consecutive half innings
 - Example: In the top of the 1st, the Away team bats and the Home team fields. After three outs are recorded, both teams will remain in place—the Away team will bat again for the top of the 2nd inning, and the Home team will stay in the field.
- Once the top of the 2nd inning concludes, teams will switch roles and play the bottom of the 1st followed immediately by the bottom of the 2nd.
- Any base runners remaining on base at the end of a half inning must clear the bases and return to their dugout before play resumes.
- This same rotation will repeat for innings 3–4.
- Normal alternating play will resume for innings 5–7.

Tie Games: In the event of a tie game after seven innings, one extra inning will be allowed to attempt to break the tie using a tie breaker rule. The Tie Breaker Rule is the last person at bat in the previous inning shall start off on second base with ONE out. If the game is still tied after the extra inning, then that game will be recorded as a tie.

Pitching: Pitchers must deliver the ball underhand with an arc of 6 to 12 feet from the ground.

• The pitcher may stand from the front edge of the pitching plate up to 6 feet behind it, staying within its 24-inch width, with both feet in contact with the ground.

Face masks: are not required but are highly recommended for safety reasons. The City of Mesa has pitchers masks available to borrow, just ask the site supervisor if needed.

Fouls and Strikes: Batter starts with a 0 & 0 count & has no foul ball to waste.

Sliding: Allowed, NOT required. Runners must use caution and avoid contact with fielders.

- If a defender has possession of the ball, runners must, avoid contact, or give themselves up.
- Barreling into a fielder, with or without the ball, is grounds for immediate ejection.
- Sliding or diving into first base or Homeplate will be called out. Second or third base is OK.

First Base: A double bag or mat of equal size shall be used at first base, the double portion of the bag or mat being in foul territory abutting first base. If there is a play on a batter going to first base, the batter must touch the portion of the DOUBLE BAG or mat extending into foul territory. The batter shall be called out for failing to do so. This will not be an appeal.

Home Runs: A fair-batted ball hit over the fence for a home run or four base award will credit a run to the batter & all runners. The batter & any runners on base aren't required to run the bases.

• <u>Senior Softball Division</u> - One home run over the 300 ft fence is allowed per game per team, with the One Up rule. All over the fence home runs above the One Up rule are outs.

One-Up Rule: If both teams have reached the limit of home runs, either team is allowed to hit an additional home run, to go one home run ahead of the opposing team up until the bottom of the last inning. (Example: With a ONE-home run limit, the home team hits their ONE home run in the 2nd inning. The visiting team can then hit a total of TWO home runs and do so in the top of the 3rd inning. In the bottom of the 3rd, the home team could then hit two more home runs to go "one-up" again, with a total of THREE. This can continue throughout the game until the bottom of the 7th or last inning). The home team can only equal the number of home runs by the visitors in this inning. If neither team has hit a home run by the bottom of the 7th inning or the last inning of play, the home team can hit their first.

Run Rule (Slaughter): The game will be called a completed game if a team is ahead by:

- 12 runs after four innings
- 15 after five innings
- 20 after six innings

the team ahead will be declared the winner. If both teams agree, teams can play until time runs out. The score will be recorded at the time of run rule, everything else is just for fun.

Substitution Rule (ASA): A player (starter or substitute) may re-enter the game one time. A team unable to field 10 players because of a player injury may use a player normally unable to re-enter if no other eligible substitutes are available. The player will bat in the injured player's batting position. Any player ejected from a game cannot re-enter under any circumstances.

Female Batters: Can request to hit the 11-inch ball. All outfielders must stay behind the outfield restraining line until the ball is hit.

Forfeits: If your team must forfeit, notify the Adult Sports Office at least 24 hours in advance of your scheduled game.

Failure to notify in advance will result in a \$50 forfeit fee to help offset umpire costs (note: this does not cover the full cost).

- The fee must be paid before your team's next game, or that game will also be forfeited.
- Forfeit payments can be made at the Adult Sports Office. Contact us for payment options.
- Automatic Forfeits will be issued for:
 - Insufficient players (fewer than 8)
 - There is a 10 minute grace period before forfeit is declared
 - <u>Double Forfeit</u>: If neither team has enough players, both teams are issued a loss-no makeup will be scheduled
 - Use of ineligible, suspended, or non-rostered players
 - Unsportsmanlike conduct before, during, or after the game

<u>Forfeit limit</u>: Teams with more than 2 weeks of forfeits in a season may be removed from the league without a refund.

Courtesy Runner: <u>Unlimited</u> male/female courtesy runners per inning is allowed. If the same batter comes up a second time in the same inning, the courtesy runner does not need to be the same courtesy runner as the first time. The batter is also not required to use a courtesy runner the second time around. The runner can be any player in the lineup. A courtesy runner whose turn at bat comes up while on base will be called out, removed from the base, and required to take their turn at bat. A second courtesy runner is not permitted. If a courtesy runner is utilized, he/she can only run once per inning.

Commitment & Scoring Line (Home Plate Rules):

- A commitment line drawn at 20 feet from home plate along the 3rd base line.
- Once a runner crosses the line:
 - o they cannot retreat or will be called out.
 - They must continue to the scoring line which runs parallel to the third base line.
 - Runners must use the scoring line to score -not home plate
 - Sliding or touching home plate = out.
 - The catcher may record an out by touching home plate while they have the ball.
 - No rundowns are allowed between the commit line and home plate.

Protests: Only rule interpretations may be protested--judgement calls cannot. To protest:

- It must be before the next pitch to the next batter.
- Captains must notify the umpire, who will inform the opposing captain and record the protest on the official score sheet.
- All protests must be made in accordance with ASA/USA Softball rules.
- Ineligible player protests must be made before the end of the 3rd inning, to the umpire.

POST SEASON

Tournament: The **top 8** teams (based on win percentage) will qualify for a single-elimination postseason tournament.

- Championship game will be 7 innings with no time limit
- It's possible tournaments may not be held on the usual league night or at your regular park. (only in cases where weather effected season length)
- In larger divisions, teams may be divided into multiple tournaments to accommodate competitive balance. (example: top 4 / bottom 4 team tournaments)

GENERAL SOFTBALL PLAY DEFINITIONS

Altered Bat: A bat is considered altered if its physical structure has been changed in any way. Any bat deemed illegal or questionable by umpires or City staff may not be used.

 <u>Penalty</u>: Any player caught using an altered bat will be suspended from all City of Mesa Adult Sports programs as well as neighboring cities/towns of Gilbert, Queen Creek, Scottsdale, Tempe and Chandler.

Illegal Bat: A bat with the ASA/USA softball certification stamp that is damaged (dented/cracked)

- Penalty: Batter is called out. Runners return to their previous base(s). Remove the bat.
- An illegal bat isn't the same as a non-approved or altered bat, which carry strict penalties.

Non-Approved Bat: Any bat without an ASA/USA softball certification mark is non-approved

Penalty: If a player enters the batter's box with a non-approved bat, they are out.

Appeal Play: Is a play in which an umpire cannot make a ruling until requested by a manager, captain or player. The appeal must be made before the next pitch.

Base Path: A base path is an imaginary line, three feet on either side of a line between the bases.

Fake Tag: A form of obstruction where a fielder fakes possession of the ball in attempt to deceive or delay a runner

Ruled obstruction by umpire

Courtesy Runner: Unlimited in Senior Softball

- The runner may be any player in the lineup
- If a courtesy runner's spot in the batting order comes up while on base, the runner is called out. A second courtesy runner or substitute is not allowed at that time.
- Courtesy runners do not have to be the same player if the batter bats twice in one inning.
- Use of a courtesy runner is optional

Interference: Is the act of an offensive player or team member, that impedes or hinders a defensive player attempting to make a play.

Contact is not required for interference to be called.

Obstruction: A fielder impedes a runner without possession of the ball or not in the act of fielding.

- Contact is not required to be considered obstruction
- Examples: blocking the base path without the ball or delaying a runner's progress.

Home Team: Bats last and keeps official score.

Catch & Carry: A legal catch followed by a defensive player carrying the ball into dead ball territory.

- Unintentional: One base award from last base touched
- Intentional: Two base award from last base touched

Fair Territory: The part of the playing field within and including the first and third base foul lines, extending to the outfield fence and vertically upward.

General Field Rule: "Out of play" is defined as the backstop extended past first and third base.

Infield Fly: A fair fly ball (not a line drive) that can be caught by an infielder with ordinary effort when 1st and 2nd, or bases loaded, with fewer than 2 outs.

Result: The batter is out, ball is live, and the runners may advance at their own risk.

One-Up Rule: Once both teams reach the home run limit, either team may hit one more home run than the opponent (go "one up") <u>until the bottom of the last inning</u>.

- In the bottom of the final inning, the home team may only <u>match</u> the visitor's home run total (not exceed it).
- If neither team has reached the home run limit by the last inning, the home team may still hit up to the limit

Pitching Arc Rule: The ball must be pitched with a clear arc between 6 & 12 feet from the ground.

• Pitchers may stand up to 6 feet behind the rubber, remaining within the 24-inch width.

Strike Zone: Any part of home plate or the strike mat, if the pitch meets the required arc (6-12 ft).

Substitution Rule: 1 re-entry is allowed per player (starter or substitute).

- If a team is short due to injury, an ineligible-to-reenter player may be used if no other legal substitutes are available.
- The replacement must bat in the injured players spot.

ADULT SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT

Every person (staff, player, fan, etc.) is required to show good sportsmanship. Each person is responsible for their actions whether they were provoked or were the ones provoking. Some forms of unsportsmanlike conduct will warrant automatic ejection. Abusive and/or vulgar/foul (swearing) language will not be tolerated. Two reprimands or warnings to an individual or team for unsportsmanlike conduct will warrant automatic ejection of said player, team, fan, etc. from park premises. A third reprimand to any other member or player, fan of said team will warrant termination of game with said game to be forfeited to opposing team. Ejections may also occur without an official warning and may be carried over to future seasons.

Any person ejected from a game will be suspended for a minimum of one week (depending on the nature of the altercation) from all City of Mesa Sports leagues, including kickball, volleyball, and softball. This suspension is in addition to the game/night in which the player was ejected and includes probation for the remainder of the season.

A second offense will constitute being suspended from the remainder of the season (depending on the altercation). If a player receives a second offense on or after the fourth week of play, then he/she will be suspended for the entire next season.

Managers may submit a written statement regarding the incident. Written statements will be accepted within 24 hours of the game time. Phone messages won't be accepted in place of a written statement. Please email statements to adult.sports@mesaaz.gov.

No person shall:

- o Threaten another person.
- Lay a hand upon, shove, or strike another person.
- o Be guilty of objectionable demonstrations of dissent at umpire's decision.
- o Refuse to abide by officials' decision.
- Be guilty of physical attack upon any other person including but not limited to spitting and damaging property.

Any person ejected from a game must leave the gym/field immediately. Refusing to leave is considered trespassing and may have the suspension extended and police called.

The Adult Sports Code of Conduct applies to all players, managers, and spectators. Penalties may be applied on an individual and/or team level. This code becomes effective as soon as individuals arrive at the facility and remains in effect until the individual leaves the facility.