

DC Social Sports Club
Softball Program Analysis

League Divisions:

DC Social Sports strives to provide equal and fair competition for all teams and players of all skill levels. Thus, the DC Social Sports Softball Programs provides three divisions of play based on TEAM skill level – Advanced, Competitive, and Recreational. Please review the below outline to find the best fit for your team.

	Advanced	Competitive	Recreational
Team Skill Level	For A, B, and C skill levels. The advanced league is designed for players whom play softball regularly throughout the year or for veteran teams that play in competitive softball leagues and/or tournaments.	For C and D skill levels. The competitive league is designed for players who have experience playing softball and are looking for a more social softball experience.	For E and beginner levels. The recreational league is designed for those players whom have never played softball before or play one season a year or have a majority of players who are just learning about the sport.
Homerun Rule	Up to 4 homeruns per game, everything after that is a single.	Teams can hit 2 homeruns, everything after that is a single until the opposing team reaches 2 homeruns. Then homeruns reset.	Unlimited
Runs per Inning Limit	No limit	10 runs per inning	10 runs per inning
Compared to Alexandria and Arlington Parks and Recreation Leagues	Compares to low B and high C divisions.	Compares to low C and high D divisions.	Compares to E division.

Typical Field Dimensions

- Base Length 60 to 65 feet
- Pitcher’s mound 46 to 50 feet
- Fence Length 280 to 300 feet
- Field dimensions may vary slightly depending on location.

Balls

- DC Social Sports provides a new ball for each game as well as back up balls.
- Teams are allowed to provide their own balls at their expense to hit as long as they are the same compression as the league allows. (375-.44COR)

Bats

- DC Social Sports only allows bats that are stamped by ASA (stamp MUST be visible).
- Senior Softball bats and any bat that is on the non-approved ASA list are NOT allowed.

Rosters

- There is no maximum limit as to the number of players a team can have on their roster. Teams should have a minimum of 10 players on their rosters (7 males and a minimum of 3 females). Teams MUST have a minimum of 9 players at game time to start a game.
- DC Social Sports encourages teams to fill out your roster with reserves if you have a small team.

Uniforms

- DC Social Sports provides up to 16 T-shirts at the beginning of every season. Teams can opt out of DC Social Sports T-shirts for a discount on their registration fee; however, every team MUST wear a uniformed color to all games.

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- Teams that have more than 16 players on their roster can order more DC Social Sports T-shirts at an extra cost.

Seasons

- Spring Season - April to June
 - Games played on Saturdays and Sundays.
 - All teams make the playoff tournament.
- Summer Season - July to August
 - Games played on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays.
 - Top Seeded Teams (number TBD) make the playoff tournament.
- Fall Season - September to November
 - Games played on Saturdays and Sundays in Arlington, Thursdays in Alexandria.
 - All teams make the playoff tournament.

Umpires

- Bradley Marshall is the DC Social Sport Director of Operations, Program Director and Head Umpire for all DC Social Sports softball programs. Hailing from Richmond, VA, Marshall has been playing slow-pitch softball for 10 years and umpiring for 5 years.
- Amanda Ayers is the Program Manger Assistant, Site Supervisor and umpire for DC Social Sports Softball Programs. Hailing from Ashland, VA, Ayers has been playing slow-pitch and fast-pitch softball for 23 years and played Division 1 softball at George Mason University. She has also been umpiring Little League baseball, slow-pitch and fast-pitch softball for 12 years.

Payment Structure

- DC Social Sports charges \$725 per team. Payments are due three weeks before the season starts.
- If payment deadlines are not met, players registered on your roster are charged on a free agent basis (\$75 for residents, \$80 for non-residents).

Game Locations

- Arlington: Quincy Park, Virginia Highlands 1 and 2, Utah Park, Barcroft Park, Gunston Field, Tuckahoe Field and Jennie Dean
- Alexandria: Eisenhower Fields at Cameron Run Regional Park

Free Agents

- Free agents are allowed to register as an individual. Free agents are placed on teams by Program Management.
- Teams can receive a discount on registration fees by accepting free agents.