

DIVISION AND TEAMS

Softball at the community level in Manitoba is played primarily at the B division level, although Learn to Play programs are considered "C" level play. SMSA makes a distinction between B1 and B2 subdivisions/teams based primarily on the expected level of competitiveness. **B1** teams shall be deemed to be **the most competitive** with the full intent of participating in the annual Provincial Championships. B1 teams may also have higher demands with respect to practice times and more strict assignment of player positions. **B2** teams, on the other hand, are generally **more flexible** with respect to position assignments, carry no expectation of participation in Provincial Championships and provide more of **an atmosphere of fun and learning** while still playing competitive games against other teams.

All players may be independently evaluated before being placed on any team (as per the "Agreement" obverse).

In some instances, the number of player registrations may not permit the formation of two teams at any single age level in a single subdivision. In such instances, and when only one team is able to be formed within an age grouping, it shall be the sole discretion of SMSA, following consultation with parents, as to the appropriate Division for that particular team.

SMSA SOFTBALL DIVISIONS QUALIFICATIONS (based on Softball Manitoba guidelines)

LEARN TO PLAY: Girls age 8 and under as of 31 December 2018. May include two subdivisions (e.g., LTP I / II) based on player experience and/or age, and depending on seasonal demand.

U10: Girls age 10 and under as of 31 December 2018.

U12: Girls age 12 and under as of 31 December 2018.

U14: Girls age 14 and under as of 31 December 2018.

U16: Girls age 16 and under as of 31 December 2018.

U18: Girls age 18 and under as of 31 December 2018.

SMSA PRESIDENT NOTES (PLEASE DATE AND INITIAL):

SMSA COACH (INCLUDING ASSESSMENT) NOTES (PLEASE DATE AND INITIAL):

Fair Code Play for Parents

1. I will remember that my child participates for his/her enjoyment, not for mine.
2. I will encourage my child to play by the rules and resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility.
3. I will teach my child that doing one's best is as important as winning the game.
4. I will insure my child attend all practices/games as possible and if not inform the coach in advance.
5. I will never ridicule or yell at my child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
6. I will remember that youth learn best by example. I will applaud good plays/performance by both teams in competition.
7. I will respect the officials and their authority.
8. I will support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from youth sporting events.
9. I will respect and support the volunteer coaches.
10. I will not coach from the sidelines unless asked by the coach.
11. I will respect my child's teammates, fellow parents as well as opposition coaches, players and parents.
12. I will be responsible to report to proper authorities any misconduct by coaches or officials so it can be dealt with appropriately.

Player's Name: _____ Division: _____

Parent/Guardian Print Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Today's date: _____

Players' Rights and Responsibilities

PARENTS: please review with your player

Rights

- To be treated fairly
- To express my ideas and to be listened to.
- To participate in the game as a unique person and athlete.
- To have good coaching.
- To be safe.
- To be treated with respect.
- To have personal equipment safe and unharmed.
- To share in making decisions for the team.
- To play and not be "cut".
- To be a member of the team.
- To have good equipment.
- Not to be embarrassed or insulted.
- To experience the "Joy of Playing"

Responsibilities

- To treat others fairly
- To listen to others and consider the worthiness of their ideas.
- To do my best.
- To co-operate with my coach
- To follow safety rules; and the responsibility not to endanger others.
- To treat others with respect; including teammates; opponents; coaches; officials.
- To leave other people's equipment alone unless you have permission.
- To act and think in a responsible manner and to allow others to have a share in decision making.
- To attend practices/ games; perform the best I can and be a constant learner.
- To be a reliable, trustworthy member.
- To take care of equipment- mine/team. To not embarrass or insult others.
- To make the best of my experience by trying hard and being positive.

Print Names: _____
Child

Parent/Guardian

Signature: _____
Child

Parent/Guardian

Today's Date: _____

Division: _____

Medical Treatment Authorization

Minor's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

Medical Information

Primary Care Physician's Name: _____

Phone #: (____) _____

Medical Insurance Provider: _____ Policy #: _____

Allergies to Medications: _____

Medical Conditions for which the minor is receiving treatment:

Prescription Drugs the minor is taking:

Other pertinent medical information:

AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT OF PARENT(S) OR LEGAL GUARDIAN(S) As custodian of the aforementioned minor, I grant my authorization and consent for a designated adult to administer general first aid treatment for minor injuries or illnesses. If the injury or illness is severe, I authorize him or her to seek professional emergency personnel to attend, transport, and treat the minor and to issue consent for any medical care deemed advisable by a licensed medical professional or institution. I authorize the designated adult to exercise best judgment upon the advice of medical or emergency personnel.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

IS IT CRITICAL THAT PARENTS/GUARDIANS INFORM SMSA IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES TO INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM.

Photography Release for Minor Child

I hereby authorize Springfield Minor Softball Association, hereafter referred to as "SMSA," to publish photographs and take video for possible coaching purposes during the 2016 season of myself and/or the minor child or children listed below, and our names and likenesses, for use in the SMSA's print, online and video-based marketing materials, as well as other Associations publications.

I hereby release and hold harmless SMSA from any reasonable expectation of privacy or confidentiality for myself and for the minor child and children listed below associated with the images specified above. Further, I attest that I am the parent or legal guardian of the child or children listed below and that I have full authority to consent and authorize SMSA to use their likenesses and names.

I further acknowledge that participation is voluntary and that neither I, the minor child, or minor children will receive financial compensation of any type associated with the taking or publication of these photographs or participation in association marketing materials or other association publications. I acknowledge and agree that publication of said photos confers no rights of ownership or royalties whatsoever.

I hereby release SMSA, its contractors, its employees and any third parties involved in the creation or publication of association publications, from liability for any claims by me or any third party in connection with my participation or the participation of the minor children listed below.

Authorization:

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Relationship to Children: _____

Names and Age of Minor Children:

Name: _____ Age: _____

I elect NOT to allow my daughter(s)' photo/video to be used in SMSA publications. (Please list names to exclude)