



CITY OF COSTA MESA

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PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

July 20, 2015

Dear Adult Softball Team Managers:

Re: *Costa Mesa Adult Softball League Pilot Program with Major League Softball*

The City of Costa Mesa Parks and Community Services Department is excited to announce its partnership with Major League Softball (MLS). In efforts to provide the highest level of service in the realm of Adult Softball, staff has embarked in a one (1) year pilot adult softball program with MLS. This organization will assist the department in operating an organized and competitive adult softball league. Please allow us to invite you and your teammates to the inaugural season and provide you with some introductory information.

Teams will have the opportunity to participate in the City's program by registering with MLS. The current softball schedule will remain the same: Co-Ed teams will play on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights. The Men's teams will play Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Teams participating in the previous season of the City's softball league will be granted priority registration.

The registration fees will remain relatively similar, if not lower than the current rates. All umpire fees for MLS will be paid on the field at time of play of each game. The chart below indicates the new fee structure.

Fees (10 total games)	Major League Softball	City of Costa Mesa
League Fee	\$360	\$415
Umpire Fee	\$15 per game paid each game	\$130 for the season
Total	\$510	\$545

Registration for Fall 2015 and thereafter, will be conducted directly through MLS. Teams may register via the MLS website at www.mlsoftball.com. (Please see attached instructions for registration via the internet) or by telephone at (714) 289-1983. MLS will be providing information regarding registration dates and deadlines, fees, and payment and registration policy information.

Upon the start of each season, game schedules, field condition updates, scores/standings, and individual player/team statistics will be available on the MLS website. Additionally, teams will have access to a roster of free agents to select from. MLS will provide umpires whom are certified by Southern California Municipal Athletics Federation.



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The Parks and Community Services Department will host a meet and greet with MLS on **Tuesday, August 25, 2015, at 7:00pm at the Downtown Recreation Center located at 1860 Anaheim Avenue.** We encourage your attendance as this will be a great opportunity to meet both City and MLS staff who will be available to answer questions and receive input regarding this program.

We thank you for your patience during this transitional period and we look forward to providing you with the best playing experience possible. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Christian Hernandez, Recreation Specialist at (714) 754-5302.

Respectfully,

Travis M. Karlen

Recreation Manager



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Online Registration Instructions

- Visit www.mlsoftball.com
- Select "Programs" while on the Home Page
- Click on "Costa Mesa" on the Orange County "Program Map"
- Once inside the site, you will find "Day of Play", game time, and general program information on the Home Page.

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CONVENIENT ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR ALL TEAMS: Registration for the Fall League is now open at www.mlsoftball.com until September 15. Select the Programs link on the Home Page and then Costa Mesa from the Program Map. Once inside the Costa Mesa section select the Registration page. All teams are welcome, and priority is given to teams having Residency and/or Returning Team status (see the Team Registration Acceptance Policies on the Registration Page for more details). Once on the Registration Page, click the **Register Now!** Button and complete the Registration Form.

- ◆ **COED PLAY IS AVAILABLE: MONDAY, TUESDAY, FRIDAY AND SUNDAY (SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS)**
- ◆ **MEN'S PLAY IS AVAILABLE: MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY**

MANDATORY PRESEASON MANAGERS' MEETING (READ THIS POLICY CAREFULLY): To ensure acceptance into the League on the night of your choice, a team representative must attend the Preseason Managers' Meeting. The meeting will be conducted at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 16 at the Downtown Recreation Center located at 1860 Anaheim Ave., Costa Mesa. Rules and game schedules will be distributed at the meeting. Teams that do not have a representative present might not gain acceptance into the League.

SEASON BEGINS: Sunday, September 20, 2015 (Season consists of an 8 game schedule plus Playoffs)

TEAM REGISTRATION FEES: \$360.00 plus a \$35.00 New Team Fee (NTF). The NTF is only charged to teams that have not participated in the Costa Mesa Adult Softball Program within the last two years. Team Registration Fees DO NOT include Officials' Fees which are payable in cash directly to the Official Scorer prior to the start of each game. The Officials' Fees payment shall be determined based on the level of service voted on during the Town Hall meeting to be held Tuesday, August 25 Call us at the number below if you have questions about the Town Hall Meeting. Paypal is available for those who prefer to pay Registration Fees electronically. Payments can also be mailed to our office at 621 E. Walnut Ave., Burbank, CA 91501. Mailed payments must be received by the September 15 registration deadline.



Don't have internet access for Registration or have questions?

Call (714) 289-1983, Ext. 2 Mon-Fri 9:00 am-5:00 pm

We will personally assist you with the registration process during a brief telephone conversation.

