MIDDLESEX COUNTY 70+ SOFTBALL LEAGUE LEAGUE RULES 2011

The Objective of our League is to have fun AND avoid injury

We will apply all 2011 TUESDAY RETIREMENT LEAGUE RULES with the following exceptions:

EXCEPTIONS

Pitcher Protection Rule will be used for all league games This rule was adopted for Liability insurance reasons.

NO Walk Rule

Batter will either put the ball in play or make an out Balls will **NOT** count. Strikes will count

To Avoid Forfeits- the following rules will apply:

Each team needs minimum of nine players at start of game

Any team short 1 or two players May borrow team **roster** players as follows

- 1) Borrow extra player from team opponent
- 2) Borrow extra player from one of the other teams on the adjacent field Note: ALL Extra players borrowed will bat for the opponent team
- 3) Opponent team will supply a catcher and one other fielder when the opponent team is AT Bat (These players will bat for their own team)

FLOATERS

A player that is **NOT** on any team roster is considered a Floater. Floaters can only be used if NO players are available according to the previous rules on borrowing EXTRA roster team players. Note: floaters will be assigned by league president

Designated Runner Rule

Manager must declare at players FIRST at bat that a DR is needed. A player who is injured AFTER first at bat may also be allowed a DR The designated runner POSITION from behind the home plate will be defined at the start of every game.

Pinch Runners

No limit on pinch runners except that the SAME runner may run only once per inning and will not be called out if they are on base and due up to bat. Designated runner is considered a pinch runner.

Banned Bats SEE attached list of NON APPROVED bats

All Bats must be slow-pitch officially approved by ASA for the current year with the exception of all Miken Freak bats. Bats with altered markings are prohibited. A batter using a bat prohibited by these rules will be declared out and ejected from the game.

Exception for Ultra Bat

Any player age 77 this calendar year may use the ULTRA bat this season. Rule subject to change if the Ultra is deemed a risk to other players. Any player using the Ultra bat who is **not** 77 **or older** will be declared out And EJECTED from the game.

Vets field # 1 (field on your left as you walk over the bridge)

Ground Rule on First base side
The indentation in the fence area is **IN Play**