

## **COED RULE ADAPTATIONS**

### **TEAM COMPOSITION**

An even male/female ratio must be maintained at all times when there are 5 men/5 women present. At no time may a team play with a 6:4 male advantage.

### **EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE RULE**

**10 Players:** (Female Advantage) A team may have the advantage of women when playing with 10 players. This ratio is not recognized as an “unfair advantage”. There is no penalty in the batting order for 2 women batting back-to-back in the order.

**9 Players:** A team may field a team of 9 players to avoid a forfeit. This is the ONLY situation in which a team may use a male advantage (5:4 ratio ONLY). An AUTOMATIC OUT is awarded when the 10<sup>th</sup> batter is supposed to be up to bat (if there is a male advantage ONLY).

### **CO-ED WALK RULE**

**With Less than 2 outs:** If a male batter is walked, he automatically is awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> base, the next female batter **MUST** bat.

**With 2 outs:** If a male batter is walked, he automatically is awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> base, the female batter has the **OPTION** to bat or take a walk.

### **EXTRA PLYER RULE**

An extra player, referred as an “EP”, is optional, but if an EP is used, it must be made known prior to the start of the game and must be indicated on the sign-up sheet with an “EP” designation next to the individual’s name. Extra players must be present at the start of the game. Late arrivals may NOT be added as the “EP”.

**Specifically for COED** – in order to use the “EP” option, a coed team must have an equal number of men/women or more women than men. All players may bat and any 10 players (i.e. 5 men and 5 women) must play defense. The batting order must remain the same for the entire duration of the game. Defensive positions can be changed as long as the following ratios are maintained:

2 male/2 female outfielders

2 male/2 female infielders

1 male/1 female pitcher and catcher

\*\*\*except when there are more females than males\*\*\*

### **METAL SPIKES**

Metal spikes are NOT allowed in any coed leagues