

## Bayside Baptist Church Softball League

1. Games will be seven (7) innings or 1 hour, whichever comes first. No new inning will start after 1 hour unless the game is tied.
2. A team can field a minimum of nine players. If a team can't begin the game within (5) minutes after the official start time with at least nine players, a forfeit will be declared.
3. Your team may pick up no more than two players to make nine. If you have eight players you may only pick up one player to be eligible to play without forfeit. You cannot pick up two players to make ten. The opposing coach has to approve the player(s) you pick up.
4. The use of profanity is prohibited with an automatic ejection from that game and the next playable game. On the second offense, expulsion from the league and a forfeit of the ball game.
5. No drinking or use of alcoholic beverages or drugs allowed on playing field! **(NO EXCEPTIONS!)**
6. No tobacco products of any kind will be allowed on the playing field! **This will be enforced!**
7. Remember, if you are representing Bayside Baptist Church by wearing a jersey with our name, please uphold the name of Christ and be a witness to those who may be watching you!
8. Players/coaches involved in fighting on or off the field will be expelled from the league for the season.
9. Excessive harassing of other players and or game officials by any team will not be tolerated. Players and coaches involved will be ejected from the game.
10. Any team making a farce of the ball game in the umpire's judgment will be forced to forfeit the ball game.
11. The League Committee will meet with the coach of any team that violates any sportsmanship related rules.
12. Your team roster will have no more than (20) individual names. These (20) will be the only official players that are available to play for your team.
13. There will be one and one count against you when you step up to the plate to bat.
14. All equipment must be kept in the dugout. All offensive players except the batter and on deck batter, must be in the dugout.
15. The infield fly rule will be enforced.

16. Designated parking areas are being enforced for **ALL** players! If you are asked to move your vehicle from a non-designated area, you are to do so at that time. If you fail to move your vehicle, you will not be permitted to enter the playing area.
17. The batter is allowed one foul ball on his third strike.
18. A player must be 15 years or older to play in our league.
19. If a team starts the game with 10 players and then has a player injured, they may continue to play with nine.
20. All players are required to wear numbered jerseys. All players may wear only tennis shoes, turf shoes, or rubber cleats on the field; no metal cleats or street shoes. Improper footwear means a player cannot participate.
21. Coaches must have batting order ready with player's name and number to give to official scorekeeper (5) minutes before the start of game. All players are included in the batting order with late players being added to the end if the game has already started.
22. Use designated warm up areas only.
23. There will be no passing on the front lawn of the church.
24. RUN RULES
  - a. 20 run rule after 4 innings
  - b. 15 run rule after 5 innings.
  - c. 12 run rule after 6 innings.
25. Umpires will have complete control of the game; players or coaches may not dispute judgment called by the umpire. Coaches may discuss rules with the umpire. Coaches, please read your rulebook.
26. Each team is allowed five (5) out of the park home runs. Every home run after (5) will be a single.
27. All NSA rules apply along with the above stated special league rules.
28. Umpire forfeits stand as ruled. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

**RAINOUTS: - Call Bayside at 344-8327 between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m.**