

2025 Cambridge-Isanti Men's Adult Softball League

4-15-2025

Welcome to the 2025 C-I Men's League, featuring 20 teams, in what promises to be an action packed season! These rules & guidelines are designed to be followed. Please make sure each and every player on your team understands them.

- The **Manager/Coach** of the ensuing game is the person that will take the coin flip with the umpire, and **make sure each and every player is ready to go at game time. As you are aware, every second matters.**
- There will be no alcohol, smoking or vaping in the dugouts or on the ballfields. No pets are allowed on the ballfields or in the dugouts!
- If inclement weather is predicted via good sources during game day and the night is to be cancelled it will be posted on the **Cambridge Isanti Softball Facebook Group page by no later than 4:45 p.m.** If games are in progress, Duke, Jamie, and the umpires will make a decision on postponements, delays, or cancellations, which will be made up or continued at a later date.
- **The winning team in each game is asked to grab a lime rake, and quickly smooth out the batter's box, if time allows. We appreciate this!**
- We have a full concession stand available which includes **Pepsi Products**, warm foods, chips, seeds, candy, and more. **We would appreciate your support!**
- There are several trash cans spread out around the vicinity of the fields along with 1 in each dugout. **Please clean up after yourselves!**
- **DO NOT PARK ON THE GRASS BY THE PARKING LOTS!**
- **PLEASE, CLEAN UP YOUR DUGOUTS!**

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The following playing rules are specific to the Cambridge-Isanti Men's Adult softball league. Unless modified here, refer to the MSF/NSF rules.

- 3-2 ball/strike count with **no courtesy foul**.
- Run ahead rule: 20 after 3/15 after 4/10 after 5 No Flop rule!
- ARC Limit: 6 ft minimum/12 ft maximum, with moderate speed.
- Pitchers may use the 6 ft step back rule, as long as 1 or both feet are within the pitcher's plate width.
- Home team is official book. Teams are asked to keep a good book.
- Coin flip determines visitor/home. The visiting team will have a ½ run added to their run total to use in a tie game, if the time limit is reached. The ½ run is not added in the run rule innings of the 3rd, 4th, or 5th unless the time limit is reached, and the game is tied.
- Games may start early up to 15 minutes, if both teams are ready with 9 players.
- Teams are allowed a 5 minute grace period on the 6:00 games only. Game time on succeeding games, will be forfeit time.
- **The Casual Profanity/Family Atmosphere Rule will be in effect.**
- Teams need 9 players to start a game, and the team can never be reduced to 8 players. Teams can bat their entire lineup. They may reduce to 9 due to injury, someone leaving, or an ejection. **If a player is ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct, which is the umpire's judgement/discretion, the following eligibility may apply: 1. If the incident occurs in the 1st game of the night, they will be ineligible for the remainder of the current game, and possibly any other scheduled game that night. 2. If the incident occurs in the 2nd game, the offending player will be ejected for the current game, and possibly the next scheduled game.**
- **Verbal or physical attacks on the Game Umpire and the opposing team, fans, or staff will not be TOLERATED! Any infraction above may be subject to an on-site hearing with a sportsmanship committee to determine the player's future eligibility. The ejected player cannot be in the vicinity of the dugout or the field/fields where the infraction occurred.**
- All players must be 16 years of age within the 2025 calendar year.
- **No metal spikes! Penalty: Remove the spikes.**
- The only Softball in play for the 2025 season is an **AD STARR, .52/300. No leather Softballs! Each team in the Cambridge Men's League will get 2 dozen softballs which are included in the entry fee. The umpires will not handle the softballs. Teams are urged to shag their own balls, and most importantly, get the opposing pitcher a ball ASAP. Extra New balls will be for sale at the concession stand for \$6.00.**
- Player's may make a roster switch, one time, and must be done by June 5th. They must also advise League Director Jamie Suits or Duke.

- A player may only play on 1 team. If this is noticed and appealed by the Manager of the opposing team prior to the end of the game, the offending player's other team (not their original team) will forfeit 7-0.
- Caps, Hats, and visors must be worn forward. No doo-rags are allowed.
- We will use the USA Bat standards. If the Batter is discovered using a non-approved bat, they must remove the bat from the game. If the play is in progress, and the opposing team appeals to the umpire before the next batter, the batter is out, the play is reset, with all runners returning to their respective bases.
- Teams may bat their roster. Players may interchange all 10 positions but are not allowed to play defense only. They must have a batting position.
- The infectious Disease Control Rule will be enforced.
- Females are not allowed to play in the Cambridge Men's League.
- Pitchers may take 3 warm up pitches before the game, 1 between innings.
- At the beginning of each game, the umpire will write down the start time, after the last warm up pitch is delivered. **No new inning will start after 55 minutes.** Teams are asked to hustle in and out of games in a timely manner. On the last game of the night, the 9:05 game, if the game cannot start till 9:20 or after, team Managers can agree to suspend the game and play the full game possibly at 8:05 on field 1 or 5, when sunset is later, or at a later date. **NO NEW INNING CAN START AFTER 10:05.**
- **4 full innings is considered a legal game. If the home team is leading, and the top of the inning is complete, and a suspension of the game is imminent, the game will be complete.** If the game has reached 4 full innings, or 3 ½ innings with the home team leading, and is about to be halted due to weather or darkness, the game is **final**. We will not revert back to the previous inning. We need to strive to get to the bottom of the 4th, 5th, 6th, or 7th, unless the home team is ahead.
- Each team is allowed 2 courtesy runners per ½ inning, including the pitcher. The courtesy runner cannot be the same player. The courtesy runner can be anyone in the lineup or on the roster. If the team bats around, the player(s) who were ran for can have another courtesy runner, and it can be the same runner as the first time through the order. If the courtesy runner's spot in the batting order comes up while they are on base, they are declared out as a baserunner, but they may take their turn at bat.
- **Home Run Limit: (4) fair balls over the fence. Home Run Totals do not count "inside the park" Home Run's or "4 base errors".**

Thank You!