

**Township of Cedar Grove
Recreation Department**
525 Pompton Ave. Cedar Grove, NJ 07009
(973) 239-1410 x220

2024 MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE APPLICATION

Team Name _____ Fee **\$300.00/team**
(Late Fee of \$25.00 begins after 4/10/24 NO TEAMS AFTER 4/15/24)

Captain Name _____ Captain Cell# _____

Captain Address _____ Town _____

Captain E-mail
Address _____

Co-Captain Name _____ Co-Captain Cell _____

Co-Captain E-mail
Address _____

Competitiveness Preference: **(Please choose, this does not guarantee where you are placed)**

Very Competitive _____ Moderately Competitive _____ Less Competitive _____

By signing below, I hereby agree to release and hold harmless the Township of Cedar Grove, including its agents, employees, coaches, officials and instructors, from all claims and liability arising from participation in the activity, including, but not limited to those arising out of any illness, injury or accident sustained by the participant(s) in the course of the activity.

If any emergency should arise, I hereby grant to the Township and/or medical personnel the authority to take whatever actions by whatever means they deem necessary to safeguard the health and/or welfare of the participant.

By signing below, I am certifying that I am eligible to play in this league based on Eligibility Rules given to team captains. Meaning you are a resident of or have graduated from Verona or Cedar Grove and/or you are one of the THREE allowed players that do not fit the league residency/graduate requirements.

By signing below, I am agreeing to all Rules and Regulations provided by the ASA/USA League and Cedar Grove Recreation Department.

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Men's Softball Information/Rules for 2024

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

1. **There will be a league maximum of 20 teams, please be aware of cut-off dates listed below. This season is first come, first serve.**

2. **LEAGUE IS ONLY OPEN TO RESIDENTS OF OR GRADUATES OF CEDAR GROVE & VERONA. THE ROSTER OF AT LEAST 9 PLAYERS IS NOW TO BE SUBMITTED THROUGH COMMUNITY PASS. COPIES OF DRIVER'S LICENSES (*FOR NEW PLAYERS ONLY*), SHOULD BE EMAILED TO MLANDOLFI@CEDARGROVENJ.ORG OR TEXT TO 201-618-3917 INCLUDING TEAM NAME. A CHECK FOR THE FULL AMOUNT IS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE CG RECREATION DEPT NO LATER THAN. **NO EXCEPTIONS! Each team is allowed THREE players, who do not fit the above criteria to participate on their team.****

3. The fee is \$300.00. All payments will be made at the Cedar Grove Recreation Department, cash (exact change) or checks made payable to the Township of Cedar Grove. NO CREDIT CARDS. Each team will also be responsible for paying one official \$40.00 prior to each game. If only one official, you only pay \$30.00 each. **If you forfeit a game without notification, you will owe \$80.00 and will not be able to continue to play until this fee is paid.**

4. **A late fee of \$25.00 will be assessed after April 10th, 2024.**

5. **Absolutely no teams** will be accepted after Friday, April 15th, 2024. **You can request to play at a certain skill level, please note that requesting a competitive level does not guarantee your placement there as Cedar Grove Recreation reserves the right to alter the composition of the divisions.**

6. Games will begin the first week of May, weather permitting. Games will be played Mondays-Thursdays, there are no special requests to when games are scheduled.

7. This league is limited 6 ft – 12 ft arc. and innings will start with a 1-1 count.

Eligibility-

1. Participants must be 18 years or older living in Cedar Grove or Verona, or have graduated from Verona or Cedar Grove HS (**no current high school students.**)

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2. All team members must be registered online (NO FEE) and sign off on the policies/waivers. Upon registration they will be asked which team they are a part of, they can put the Captain Name or the Team Name.
3. Rosters must be filled out with the name of all players prior to the start of season. **Each team is allowed THREE players** that do not fit the league residency/graduate requirements. **If your teammates have played in prior years, I will not need another copy of ID (unless a new ID was issued to you since last given).**
4. **PLAYERS MAY NOT PLAY ON MORE THAN ONE TEAM, NO MATTER THE DIVISION. IF YOU NEED TO REPORT A PLAYER PLAYING ON MULTIPLE TEAMS, PLEASE CALL THE CEDAR GROVE RECREATION DEPARTMENT. 973-239-1410 x220.**
5. **If it is determined that a team has used a player-either not listed on the roster, or not meeting the above criteria, all games in which that player participated will be declared forfeit. If the team commits a second offense involving players not fitting criteria/on roster, the team will be dropped from the league. Two forfeits of any kind also constitute automatic expulsion from the league at the discretion of the league director. All past and future games will be counted as a loss.**
6. **Rosters are open and players may be added throughout the season. Cut-off for player additions is June 7th, 2024.**

RULES/GAME INFO:

- **Games will be played May-end of June (post season may go into early July after holiday weekend), Mondays-Thursdays. The schedule will be made by the Rec Department and there will be absolutely NO special requests or exceptions, (times, days, dates, etc). Any cancellation must be made 48 hours before the game or it is considered a forfeit. Cancelled games (unless cancelled by CG Rec Department), will not be made up and will be considered a cancel forfeit. A no show/no call will be considered a forfeit and you are only allowed two forfeits of any kind within the season. **A forfeit without notification will result in an \$80.00 payment that will cover umpire costs. Your team is not permitted to play until this fee is paid to the Recreation Dept. You will not be able to get in touch with Cedar Grove Recreation through email after 4:30pm Mon-Fri or at all on weekends.****
- **BATS WILL BE SUPPLIED AT EACH OF THE TWO FIELDS, OR YOU CAN BRING YOUR OWN. MUST BE ASA COMPLIANT/APPROVED. BATS WILL BE CHECKED BY UMPIRES PRIOR AND EVEN DURING EACH GAME.**
- **TEAMS THAT HAVE MORE THAN 2 FORFEITS (notice given or not), WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM THE LEAGUE.**

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- All communication regarding the league must be confirmed by the league director and team captain.
- Each man assumes his own responsibility in the event of an accident.
- All games will be played on the scheduled date. Only inclement weather will be a reason for a change in schedule. There will be a ten-minute grace period after the scheduled time for the start of the game. A team must have 9 players to start playing.
- Curfew for a game is determined by the start time of the next game. No inning at Community Park will start after 9:40pm; **lights are only scheduled until 10:00pm at this field.**
- Rain outs that are to be made up will be rescheduled and properly announced. In the event of inclement/poor weather, a decision will be made by 4:00pm, and an announcement will be posted on CG Facebook (www.facebook.com/CedarGroveRec) and the CG weather hotline (**973-230-9944**). If the inclement weather happens after 4:00pm, the umpire will make the decision on the field. If the umpire makes the decision to cancel any games, all of the above sources will be changed at that time.
- No metal spikes or football cleats are allowed.
- Protests must be made within 24 hours and accompanied by a \$25.00 check. “Judgment” calls by an umpire are not acceptable as a reason for protest.
- Unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated and may result in suspension or expulsion of individuals or teams from the league.
- The official ASA softball rules will prevail in all league games. Rulebooks will be distributed as soon as they are available.
- Batting order—ASA slo-pitch rules will apply.
- **This league will be limited 6 ft – 12 ft arc.**
- **All innings will begin with a 1-1 count (1 ball and 1 strike).**
- Designated Hitter (DH) may be used.

There will be no alcohol/drugs on or near the field before, during or after the game. Violators will be subject to suspension and/or arrest.