



Sabattus Rec. Club Softball

Fair Play Policy

*This Fair Policy has been established to insure that the interest of the children is in mind. A “win at all costs” philosophy **will not** be tolerated at any age level. The primary purpose of our youth Softball League is **to teach the game of softball and its rules, sportsmanship, team play and to have fun.***

Expectations at all age levels:

- ◆ *The safety of our players always comes first.*
- ◆ *Every coach, player and parent will receive a copy of the NYSCA Code of Conduct and will be expected to abide by that Code.*
- ◆ ***Sabattus Rec Softball is now part of the Central Maine Youth Softball League, which follows under ASA Rules, except for changes approved by the directors for each age level.***
- ◆ *The basic fundamentals of softball will be emphasized while making the season an enjoyable experience for the children.*
- ◆ *Every player will be taught the skills which are appropriate for each level of play, as well as more advanced skills and techniques should time allow during the season.*
- ◆ *Every player suited up for play and on the roster will play. All coaches will use their best efforts to ensure that each player is allowed to have equal playing time.*
- ◆ *All teams will use a continuous batting order.*
- ◆ ***Parents are encouraged to contact the coach if their child is going to miss a practice or game.***
- ◆ **8 & under and 10 & under levels:**
- ◆ *Every player will be given the opportunity to try every position **by the end of the season** to enhance skill building.*
- ◆ *During practices, all girls who wish to try pitching and catching will be allowed to do so. However, during games, only those girls who are able to pitch the ball over home plate and stop/catch the ball with some consistency will play these positions.*

At the 12 & under level:

- ◆ *During practices, all girls who wish to try pitching and catching will be allowed to do so. However, during games, only those girls who have shown the ability to pitch and catch well will play these positions.*
- ◆ *Each player will have **at least 1 at bat and 2 innings in the field per game.***