

DIXIE BELLES

- I. A DIXIE BELLES SOFTBALL GAME WILL CONSIST OF 7 INNINGS OR A 90-MINUTE TIME LIMIT. WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. THE DIXIE SOFTBALL RULEBOOK AS WELL AS THE RECREATIONAL DEPARTMENT RULES WILL BE USED.
- 2. THERE WILL BE (9) PLAYERS ON DEFENSE WITH ONLY (6) SIX PLAYERS IN THE INFIELD AND (3) PLAYERS IN THE OUTFIELD.
- 3. AN INNING WILL END AFTER (3) THREE OUTS. CATCHERS ARE ONLY REQUIRED TO CATCH THE BALL ON THE 3RD STRIKE WITH 2 OUTS AND FIRST BASE IS UNOCCUPIED.
- 4. ALL PLAYERS MUST PLAY AT LEAST (2) TWO COMPLETE INNINGS. (6 CONSECUTIVE OUTS ON DEFENSE) THE OFFENSIVE TEAM WILL BE MADE UP OF THE ENTIRE ROSTER.
- 5. PITCHERS WILL PITCH FROM 40 FT WITH AN 8FT RADIUS CIRCLE AROUND THE PITCHING PLATE. A 12-INCH DIXIE CERTIFIED BALL WILL BE USED.
- 6. PITCHERS MUST BE WITHIN THE 8FT RADIUS CIRCLE WHEN THE BALL IS HIT. THEY MUST ALSO START WITH BOTH FEET IN CONTACT WITH THE PITCHING PLATE BEFORE THEY PITCH.
- 7. ALL BATTER WILL BE REQUIRED TO WEAR BATTING HELMETS WITH FACE GUARDS AND CHINSTRAPS.
- 8. THERE IS BASE STEALING BUT NOT UNTIL THE BALL LEAVES THE PITCHERS HAND. THERE WILL BE NO LEADING OFF. BASERUNNERS MUST HAVE BOTH FEET IN CONTACT WITH THE BASE.
- 9. IF THE BASERUNNER LEAVES BASE BEFORE THE BALL LEAVES THE PITCHERS HAND THEN THE RUNNER WILL BE OUT, THE PLAY IS DEAD AND NO RUNNER WILL ADVANCE.
- 10. PLAY IS DEAD WHEN THE BALL REACHES THE PITCHER IN THE 8 FT RADIUS CIRCLE AND SHE HAS CONTROL OF THE BALL.
- 11. OFFICIAL SOFTBALL BATS APPROVED BY DIXIE SOFTBALL WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED.
- 12. COACHES, PLAYERS AND PARENTS WILL BE ASKED TO SHOW GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AT ALL TIMES. ANY COACH, PLAYER OR PARENT WHO DOES NOT DISPLAY GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP WILL BE EJECTED FROM THE GAME. THE PARTY EJECTED WILL ALSO SERVE A (I) ONE GAME SUSPENSION FROM THE NEXT GAME. IF THE PARTY IS EJECTED A SECOND TIME THEN THE PARTY WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEASON.
- 13. FOUL AND ABUSIVE LANGUAGES FROM PARENTS, PLAYERS OR COACHES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.
- 14. FANS ARE ASKED TO CHEER FOR THEIR TEAM AND NOT AGAINST THE OTHER TEAM.
- 15. COACHES AND PARENTS ARE ASKED TO REFRAIN FROM USING ALCOHOL, DRUGS, AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS AROUND THE PLAYERS. THERE IS NO SMOKING IN OR AROUND THE DUGOUT OR ON THE FIELD.

 THE CITY OF DILLON PARKS &: RECREATION DOES NOT GIVE OUT TROPHIES.
INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN (I) ONE TIME DURING THE SEASON. THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT WILL SET UP PICTURE SCHEDULES AND NO MAKEUP PICTURES WILL BE MADE. PICTURES ARE FREE TO ALL PLAYERS.