

- USA rules apply (refer to USA Softball of Nebraska Code and Rule Book) unless otherwise specified below with an open substitution format and all players will be included in the batting order. Umpires will be USA registered. Umpire decisions are final and no protests will be allowed.
- An 11" COR of .47/375 compression ball will be used and supplied by the Hastings Parks & Recreation Department
- 35' pitching distance
- Play is 7 innings or 75 minutes, whichever comes first. Time starts at the first warm-up pitch
- Tie-breaker rule will be used to break ties after 7 innings or time has expired
 - All games tied after 7 innings or 75 minutes has elapsed, the international tie-breaker will apply. The player batting in the last position at the start of each additional half inning will begin at second base.
- Each team on offense will be allowed five runs or three outs per inning. Balls and strikes will be kept. Dropped third strike is an out
- The Home team will occupy the 3rd base dugout and remain there for double-headers
- Base runner may lead off and steal when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand on the delivery, including home plate.
- 6 infielders and 3 outfielders. At the start of each pitch, all outfielders shall be positioned in the outfield grass
 - Each team uses 9 players on defense
- Run ahead rule: if home team is ahead 12 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings, 8 runs after 5 innings, the run rule will be called and there will be no need for the home team to bat.
- The Home Team will occupy the 3rd base dugout and will remain there for a double header.
- There will be a Parks and Recreation staff member on-site to keep book. Please compare scorebooks if needed to avoid conflicts during the game. The schedule and standings will be available on the Hastings Parks & Recreation's Team Sideline page.
- Teams are asked to be at the playing field 30 minutes prior to game time and ready to play. Coaches will exchange lineups before the game to the scorekeeper, umpire and opponent. If a team is not able to make it to a game for any reason, please call the Hastings Parks & Recreation Department at (402) 461-2324 by 5:00pm so communication is replayed to staff and other teams in a timely manner. These games will be counted as losses and the fees for those games will not be refunded.
- In case of rain or other postponements, the league commissioner has the right to cancel the game. If the case of rain or threat of rain, games may be shortened by time or innings to get the games in if possible. League fees are non-refundable. Any postponements will be announced on the Hastings Parks & Recreation Department's Facebook page and on the Team Sideline portal.
- All teams, players, umpires and spectators participating in this league do so at their own risk. League officials will not be responsible for any injuries or obligations sustained as part of any league play or participation.