

# Mudsock Youth Softball League 2023 Fall Ball Information



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#### **Fall League Goals:**

- 1. Continue to develop our players in a fun fall league program.
- 2. Prepare participants that will move up in age category in the spring.
- 3. Provide a program for all participants to compete and play together.
- 4. Reduce erosion of players to other softball programs.

#### **Fall League Structure:**

- 1. Mudsock Youth Softball fields fall league teams in four age divisions. Age is determined as of Dec. 31, 2023. If your daughter will be moving up next year, she will play in that league.
- 2. Fall 8U league
- 3. Fall 10U league
- 4. Fall 12U league
- 5. Fall 14U league (includes 2009 birthdates 14U moving to 16U in spring)
- 6. No tryout is required for placement on a team. Participation is open to players who reside within the HSE school district.
- 7. Players will be assigned to teams by the league commissioners.



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## Registration:

Open fall registration will be held the month of May 2023. Registration will be accepted online at <u>myathletics.com</u>. Fall fees (early bird pricing) will be as follows:

• The cost is \$110 (8U – 14U) per player. Registration includes a team T-shirt. Pants and socks will NOT be provided.

There will be a multi-player discount available for families registering three or more children. Early bird pricing will be available during the month of May. Beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>, registration fees will increase.

#### What to Expect:

Mudsock Youth Softball teams participate against other league teams much like the regular recreational league program. Games are scheduled on Sundays in August and September and finish with a single elimination tournament in October. Teams typically practice once a week. Please note, the 14U division may have a different schedule. Updates for this division will be communicated once finalized.

- Teams are formed in July.
- Teams play two games (double headers) on five Sundays (10 games total) plus single elimination tourney. \*14U may have a different schedule.
- No games on Labor Day or Fall Break.
- Coaches are volunteers.
- Coaches are given catcher's gear and heart guard for team use.
- Final Sunday will be single elimination tournament.
- Practices will begin the 2nd week of August. Practices will be at schools or Olio Fields based on availability.

#### **Details:**

Rules – Mudsock Youth Softball Rec Rules will apply. All games will be played at Olio Fields.

All current travel players will be permitted to play. Rostered travel players will be prohibited from pitching or catching.

#### Games, What to Expect:

Our goal is to have 24 teams total so we will have 12 games per Sunday. We will enforce the 6-run rule. Gametime is 75 minutes for 10U, 12U and 14U and 60 minutes for 8U, from the start of the game. Additional innings will not be permitted after 75 minutes. The league will limit practices to 1 optional practice per week.

### **Equipment Provided by League:**

The league will provide each player a T-shirt. Each team will be provided with catching gear, softballs and a heart guard. Players will be required to have a glove, batting helmet and facemask for infield play.

## **Refund Policy:**

For the fall 2023 season, the refund policy will be as follows:

May 1 – June 15<sup>th</sup> – Refund after \$32 non-refundable fee

June 16<sup>th</sup> – July 15<sup>th</sup> – 50% refund after the \$32 non-refundable fee

July 16<sup>th</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup> – 25% refund after the \$32 non-refundable fee

After July 31<sup>st</sup> – No refund

Any additional fees incurred for registration completed after May 31<sup>st</sup> are also non-refundable.

Participants who sustain an injury prior to the start of the season will only be granted a refund with supporting documentation from a physician. If documentation from a physician is not provided, no refund will be given. Any injury that occurs during the season does not qualify for a refund of any amount.



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