



# Murrieta Valley Girls Softball Association

## ALL-STAR RULES & REGULATIONS 2009

These All-Star Rules and Regulations are intended to be NON-DISCRETIONARY. Any attempt to circumvent and/or manipulate these rules shall result in the dismissal from MVGSA of all persons involved. All decisions made by the MVGSA Board of Directors are final.

### Section 1 – Player Eligibility

- A. A player must play in not less than 50% of the games in the league's intramural game schedule in order to be eligible for selection to the league's All-Star teams.
  - 1. High School division eligibility shall be per ASA pick-up player eligibility rules, as published in the ASA Official Rules of Softball.
- B. The league Player Agent shall verify the eligibility of all players and prepare a list of all ineligible players.
- C. A player who plays up one (1) age division is eligible for selection to an All-Star team in their appropriate age division. A player is only eligible for all star consideration in one (1) age division for the current season. Eligibility must be declared in writing and presented to the Player Agent twenty-four (24) hours prior to the posted start of the Spring season.
- D. A player must be able to commit to play in all scheduled tournament games. If a player is going to miss more than one tournament, she will be dropped from the team and another player may be pulled up to take her place.
  - 1. If there is a loss of a player on the "A" team, the coach shall advise the Player Agent, who will take an appropriate player from the "B" team (if applicable) to replace the player on the "A" team (i.e., if pitcher or catcher is lost from "A" team, Player Agent will take pitcher or catcher from "B" team).

### Section 2 – Number of All-Star Teams

- A. The league Board of Directors shall determine the number of All-Star teams to be selected in each division.

### Section 3 – All-Star Coaches

- A. All-Star coaches shall be approved by the league Board of Directors.
- B. ACE Certified head coaches and A1 coaches are eligible to be the All-Star Manager.
  - 1. The candidates for the All-Star Manager position must apply by April 22, 2009.
  - 2. The All-Star coach for each team shall be voted on by the head coaches and A1 coaches within their division.
  - 3. The vote shall be done by secret ballot to be turned in immediately prior to the All-Star team vote.

4. The results of the coach vote shall be announced immediately prior to the results of the team vote being announced. In the event of a tie, the coaches shall re-vote until a coach has been selected.
- C. If no approved coach accepts, the Board of Directors shall appoint the All-Star Manager.
- D. The All-Star Manager shall submit a complete list of their coaching staff to the Board of Directors for approval prior to tournament play.

#### **Section 4 – All-Star Elections**

- A. Prior to All-Star tryouts, each head coach shall nominate no more than five (5) eligible players from their team that should warrant consideration as an All-Star. Nominations should be based on sportsmanship, ability and the player's statistics during the regular season.
- B. The league will conduct All-Star tryouts to be held on the first Sunday in May. Tryouts are open to all eligible players.
- C. The Election Committee shall be responsible for conducting the All-Star elections. The Election Committee consists of the Player Agent and at least one member of the Executive Board.
- D. The head coach and A1 coach from each team in an intramural division will be eligible to vote for All-Stars. If a coach who is eligible to vote will be unavailable at the elections, that coach shall submit a list of players to the Player Agent in a sealed envelope prior to the night of the election, in the order of preference, for the purpose of run-off votes. The players shall be listed as you feel they are ranked in order from 1 to 12. In the event of a tie, their vote will go to the player with the higher ranking according to their list.
- E. The date for All-Star elections shall be determined by the league Board of Directors. The elections shall take place immediately following the last scheduled intramural game(s) in the regular season and before Closing Day Ceremonies. Notice of the election date shall be given to all eligible voters in each division at least seven (7) days prior to the election.
- F. Players shall participate on the team for which they were selected or that player shall forfeit their participation with MVGSA All-Stars for the current season. NO EXCEPTIONS.
  1. The Election Committee shall tabulate the votes. The ballot count shall remain confidential.
  2. The Election Committee shall direct the elections to break any ties which may exist until an elected order has been established from 1 to 30 in each division. All ties will be broken by a re-vote.
  3. In the event of an absent coach, the tie breaker will be voted based on the absent coach's original list in order of selection from one 1 to 12.
- H. The results of the election shall be delivered to the league Player Agent.
- I. The coach will be given the option to select the 12<sup>th</sup> player with the next highest number of votes or any eligible player he/she chooses. Players selected for the All-Star team will be contacted by the All-Star Manager immediately after the selection meeting.
  1. The league Player Agent will maintain the results of the election throughout the All-Star season in the event that additional players are needed. Additional players will be assigned in accordance with Section 1D1.

2. If no All-Star selections remain, the head coach will select additional players from the division. The Board of Directors will approve the selection.
- J. Any and all vacancies shall be filled from the Alternate Players list in descending order of the voting results.
  - K. All-Star team rosters will be posted in alphabetical order on the website after the selection meeting.

### **Section 5 – All Star Composition**

- A. All-Star teams shall be comprised of the 12 players selected in the selection meeting. The number of players can increase at the Board's discretion.

### **Section 6 – All-Star Team Activity**

- A. All-Star teams shall be supported by the league for all approved activities.
  1. The Board of Directors shall approve all activities for the All-Star teams.
  2. The Board of Directors shall approve all expenditures for the All-Star teams.
- B. An All-Star team may request to be allowed to enter into activities not supported by the league.
  1. The Board of Director shall approve the activity.
  2. The All-Star team's members and personnel shall be responsible for financially supporting the activity.
- C. All players must play a minimum of one (1) defensive inning within the first four (4) innings of each game.
- D. There shall be no guarantee of playing time during ASA District, State and National tournaments ONLY. The All-Star Playing Rule, as it pertains to playing time (each player shall play a minimum of one (1) defensive inning within the first four (4) innings), shall apply and be in full force and effect during all other tournaments.

### **Section 7 – All-Star Team Conduct**

- A. All members of the All-Star team, coaching staff and parents must maintain the highest degree of sportsmanship and citizenship when participating in All-Star activities.
- B. The All-Star teams are representing the Murrieta Valley Girls Softball Association and the City of Murrieta, usually in other cities, and their conduct should be representative of the purposes and objectives of the league.