

Medicine Hat Minor Softball Association

Parent Pitch Division – Rules

- All teams are to follow the Learn to Play manual with a practice beginning at 6:15;
- Games will start at 6:45pm;
- All teams shall use their own coach or responsible person as a pitcher against their own team;
- After 3 strikes (actual swings) or called strikes, if a batter is reluctant to swing, the Tee will be utilized. There will be no walks and no called strike outs;
- No intentional bunting. The ball will be dead, no runner may advance and the batter will go back to bat. The bunt will be a called strike;
- One base is allowed on an overthrow that is out of the playing area. The play is considered dead until put into play by the parent pitcher;
- A maximum of one coach or parent is allowed on the field while the team is in the defensive position
- All players attending a game shall bat and field the whole game;
- A teams at bat will be finished when 3 outs or 6 runs have been scored, whichever comes first
- Games will be six innings or one and one half time limit;
- The home team will supply the plate umpire and the visitors will supply the base umpire;
- The batting order shall change for each game so all players get an equal amount of at bats during the season;
- Tie games shall remain a tie;
- Each player must play a minimum of 2-3 innings in the infield and outfield each game;
- Bases are to be 45 feet apart and the pitcher is to be 20 feet from the home plate;
- An 11 inch ball is to be used. Batters must use bats and balls supplied by the Association;
- If a hit ball is caught by the parent pitcher in self defense, the ball is dead;
- A hit ball remains live until returned to the infield;
- Throwing of the bat is an automatic out;
- A batting helmet must be worn while batting and running bases. No exceptions;
- Stopping a game due to bad weather is at the discretion of both coaches. Always err on the side of caution in the case of lightening;
- No on deck batters are permitted at any time;
- No infield fly rule; and
- T-shirt, trophy/medal and year end picnic are provided.

House League Play

<u>Division</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Diamond(s)</u>
Parent Pitch	Tuesday & Thursday	6:15pm-7:45pm	Vincent Massey, Southview, George Davison

Addresses:

George Davison School, 155 Sprague Way SE, Southview School, 2425 Southview Drive SE, or

Vincent Massey School, 901 Hargrave Way NW