

# City of Dillon Parks & Recreation



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## DIXIE SWEETEEES

1. A Dixie Sweetee Softball Game will consist of 5 innings or a 90-minute time limit, whichever comes first. The Dixie Softball Rulebook as well as Recreational Department Rules will be used.
2. There will be (10) players on defense with only (6) six players in the infield and (4) players in the outfield. Outfielders must be at least 10 feet behind the baseline with the ball is hit.
3. The Offensive team will be made up of the entire roster. \*\*Example: If there are (12) Twelve players on a team then there will be 12 batters in the batting order.
4. An inning will end after the (10) tenth batter. There is no 3 out rule.
5. All players must play at least (2) two complete innings. (6 consecutive outs on defense.)
6. Batters will hit off a batting tee the first, third, and fifth innings. The batter will be given 5 swings to hit the ball into fair territory. If after the 5<sup>th</sup> swing, the batter has not hit the ball into fair territory, then the batter is out. During the second and fourth inning, they will be pitched to by a pitcher. They will be given 5 pitches. If after the 5<sup>th</sup> pitch, the batter has not hit the ball into fair territory, the batter will be out.
7. Pitchers will pitch from 35feet with an 8foot radius circle around the pitching plate. An 11-inch softy ball will be used. The pitcher must pitch underhanded.
8. Pitchers must be within the 8foot radius circle when the ball is hit. They must also start with both feet in contact with the pitching plate before they pitch.
9. There is no bunting allowed.
10. There is no base on balls (walking).
11. There is no three-strike rule.
12. All batters will be required to wear batting helmets with face guards and chinstraps.
13. There is no base stealing. There will be no leading off. Baserunners must have both feet in contact with the base.
14. Baserunners will only advance when the ball is hit into fair territory. If the baserunner leaves the base early, or leaves base on a foul ball, they will be sent back to the previous base. If the ball was hit into fair territory then the play will be nullified. If the ball has been sent back to the pitcher and she has control of the ball in the circle, and the runner rounds the base and starts to the next base, then the runner must advance to that base. If the runner returns to the previous base, then the runner is out.

15. Play is dead when the ball reaches the pitcher in the 8foot radius circle and she has control of the ball.
16. Official softball bats approved by Dixie Softball will only be allowed. Bats cannot be longer than 31inches.
17. 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 (1) 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.
18. Foul and abusive language from Parents, Players, or Coaches will not be allowed.
19. Fans are asked to cheer for their team and not against the other team.
20. 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.
21. The City of Dillon Parks & Recreation does not give out trophies.
22. Individual and team pictures will be taken (1) 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.

