

Sub / Replacement Players

Players who are not drafted, were not available to be in the draft at the start of the season, or who could not commit to being on a team for a season still have two ways that they can play in Division 3 Recreation Softball. One is to sign up to be a sub player to fill lineup spots due to player absences for individual games. The other is to sign up to be a replacement player to take over a roster spot on a team when a player is not able to continue for the remainder of the season.

SUB PLAYERS

To be a sub player, a player must first register to play in Recreation Division 3. Application forms can be filled out and left at the Saddlebrook Recreation Center or the on-line form can be filled out at the Division 3 Softball Recreation League web site - <http://www.division3softball.org>. Once an application has been completed, sub players can sign up to sub on any game day at least 30 minutes prior to any scheduled game at the sub desk by the snack stand on the field. The game schedule is also on the web site.

30 minutes prior to each scheduled game, sub players are allocated to fill lineup spots on teams as needed. Sub players are divided into four priority classes –

P1: A player that is not picked for the 9:00 game (first game of the day) who stays around to be a sub for the remaining games that day until they are picked to sub in a game.

P2: A player who is not assigned to a team.

P3: A player who is assigned to a team (roster player) and wishes to sub in a game his team is not involved in, or an injury sub who has played less than five (5) full innings in a prior game that day.

P4: A player who has already subbed that day.

Sub players are allocated to available lineup spots for a given skill level (A, B or C) in order from P2 to P4. Within a priority, players are selected in random order until all lineups are filled. New players from evaluations are initially assigned a skill level of C. Established players are rated into skill levels by the Board of Directors based upon prior performance.

More details relating to sub players can be found in the Division 3 Rules on the web site in section D – SUBSTITUTES.

REPLACEMENT PLAYERS

Players registered to sub may additionally sign up to be a permanent replacement player for a team if a member of that team cannot continue to play in a given season. To be a replacement player, a player must commit to play the number of games indicated in the *Games Missed Allowance Scale based on how many at least 70% of the remaining games are remaining in the season once selected. (*See Division 3 Rules Section A - (Qualifications, paragraph 5 & 6).

Players who cannot make this commitment at the beginning of the season may request to be added to the replacement player list once their conflicts have passed. To be added to the list of replacement players, turn in the Replacement Player Application on the web site – <http://www.division3softball.org>.

Players requesting to be a replacement player may sub until such time as they are selected to be on a team.