GARDEN GROVE TEAM REGISTRATION POLICIES



Major League Softball (MLS) and the City of Garden Grove strive to provide the best possible league experience for program participants. To ensure that your team is accepted into the league and is correctly classified, please read and complete the following steps:

1. **REGISTRATION**

To register your team, select the **Register NOW!** button on the Registration Flyer or **Login** to re-register a Returning Team. All required information must be provided to ensure acceptance into the league. **Registration** will be conducted during the time period printed on the Registration Flyer and all registrations are subject to final approval by MLS's administrative staff.

2. REGISTRATION FEE PAYMENT POLICIES

1. For the purpose of determining Registration Fee status, any team that has not participated in a program conducted by MLS prior to the Winter 2009 Season **or** does not have a Forfeit Bond on deposit shall be considered a "New Team" and shall be required to pay a one-time, \$35.00 New Team Registration Fee which is non-refundable. Teams that have an existing User Name and Password to Login at <u>www.mlsoftball.com</u> **and** are in "Good Standing" shall have "Returning Team" status and shall pay the Returning Team Registration Fee.

2. All teams, regardless of their Registration Fee status, shall pay a "Good Faith Deposit" of no less than \$100.00 on or before the registration deadline. A "Good Faith Deposit" must be received in order for a team to be placed onto a game schedule.

3. All remaining Registration Fees are due before the first pitch of each team's third game. In the event that the Registration Fee is not paid in full as specified, teams will pay a Special Collection Fee of \$50.00 to recover the cost of making a Special Collection.

4. Registration Fees may be paid anytime at <u>www.mlsoftball.com</u> via Paypal, (which accepts personal checking, savings accounts, debit cards and all major credit cards). Registration Fees may also be paid to the League Director at the preseason managers' meeting or on the field via Cash, Money Order or Cashier's Check. No "post dated" checks will be accepted.

5. In the event of a rejected transaction, the full amount must be paid by Credit Card, Money Order or Cashier's Check, in addition to a \$50.00 service charge for the rejected item, before the next game (prior to the first pitch).

6. In the event that a team declares that it cannot play after it has registered and before the League begins, a refund less 30 percent of the Registration Fee will be issued (this refund does not apply to the "Good Faith Deposit"). The total amount of the Registration Fee is fully earned (even if they haven't been paid) and is due and payable after a team's first scheduled game. (For more detail, refer to the "Manager's Participation Agreement" on your Login page at www.mlsoftball.com.)

7. Major League Softball will not accept multiple personal checks from a team.

8. It is the manager's responsibility to request a receipt and retain it for the entire season.

3. MANDATORY PRESEASON MANAGERS' MEETING

There will be a Managers' Meeting conducted just prior to the start of each season at a location in the City of Garden Grove on the date and at the time specified on the Registration Flyer. It is absolutely mandatory that each team is represented by at least one individual at the meeting. Teams may not receive final acceptance into the league if they do not have a representative present. Preseason managers' meetings generally take no more than 30 minutes and important matters such as league rules are discussed and often voted upon. Temporary game schedules are always distributed and teams that want a scheduling accommodation must submit their request(s) at the Managers' Meeting.