



Adult Sports Office Baseball League Fact Sheet for Fall 2009

Season

- Week-night league play will begin the week of September 14.

Format

- The official rules of major league baseball govern all leagues subject to modifications stated in the league's Bylaws.
- Games will be played on **Tuesday evenings** and **Saturday mornings**, with the possibility of **Thursday evening** games depending on number of teams.
- Games will be seven (7) innings or a 2-hour time limit. Games will be played at **6:15 pm** and **8:30 pm** during the week, and starting at **9:00 am** on Saturdays. Clock will begin on time.
- In the event a team does **not** have the required number of players to **begin** the game, that team will automatically become the visiting team and will bat first. The game will start as soon as both teams have at least eight (8) players. For **6:15 pm** games, if a team still does not have nine (9) players **after 30 minutes** into the game, that team will then forfeit the game.
- If neither team has enough players to start the game at game time, it will be a double forfeit.
- Teams will play thirteen (**13**) games per season. All teams will qualify for a double-elimination playoff.

Game Fields

- Games will be played at Carpenter Park, 6701 Coit Road (North of Spring Creek between Coit and Preston Meadow Drive).

Entry Fee

- \$1,500** per league team **payable at time of registration. Payment must accompany registration form.**
- No spots will be held without payment.**
- The City of Plano will accept cash, personal or business check, money order, MasterCard, VISA, and Discover.

Registration

- The registration period for teams is **August 10 – September 4. Teams are signed up on a first-come/first-served basis.**
- A check should be made out to the **City of Plano** and should include your **driver's license number**. A receipt will be sent or given to you upon receipt of your payment. Choose one of three ways to register:
 1. **Call** the Adult Sports office at 972-941-7278 to obtain your account numbers. Then register on-line at **www.planoparks.org**. Click in the area at the top that says Leisure Online Catalog.
 2. **Download** registration form from our website at **www.planoparks.org** (under Sports/Adult Sports). Print form out and **fax** it with credit card information to **972-941-7469**. **It is strongly recommended that you call 972-941-7278 to verify our receipt of your fax.**
 3. **Bring in** registration form with cash, check, money order, or credit card to: **Adult Sports Office, Municipal Center South, 1409 Avenue K in Plano, Monday - Friday from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.**

League Information

- League information including the Bylaws, Roster, Player Addition form, Line-up Cards, etc. may be downloaded from our website at **www.planoparks.org** (under Sports/Adult Sports).

Schedules, Scores, and Standings

- Schedules, Scores, and Standings** can all be printed beginning **Tuesday, September 8** from our website at **www.planoparks.org** (under Sports, Adult Sports, Adult Sports Standings/Schedules and Message Board).

Game Balls

- Each team will supply a playable game ball to the umpires at the home plate meeting. The City of Plano will provide balls to the teams at the beginning of the season. **Final determination regarding playability of the ball is up to the discretion of the umpire.**

Bats

- Bats must be wood or wood composite.
- Two new bats will be provided to each team at the beginning of the season.

Apparel

- All apparel, including uniforms/clothing worn by players, managers, coaches, and spectators, must be appropriate and may not be obscene, lewd, vulgar, profane, or disruptive in either written or graphic format. Anyone wearing apparel as described will be considered a public nuisance and will be subject to penalties as detailed in Ordinance 18-3 of the City of Plano.

Rosters

- ORIGINAL** roster must be turned into the Adult Sports Office, Municipal Center South, 1409 Avenue K in Plano by your **first** game. **Office hours are Monday-Friday from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Note:** If a player's eligibility is challenged and no roster is on file, that team will automatically forfeit the game. **Players may not be added to nor deleted from the Roster after the completion of the sixteenth (16th) game played in the season.** There may be a total of 20 on your roster.

Eligibility

- Players must be a minimum of 18 years of age.
- No professional players are allowed to play in this league.

Forfeits

- If you know ahead of time that your team is going to forfeit a game, please call the **Adult Sports** staff who will then notify the other team manager. Call the **Adult Sports** office, **Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm** at **972-941-7278**. If the forfeit must be called in during out-of-office hours, call **972-712-3930** to leave a message.
- There will be a **forfeit fee of \$100** for a non-reported forfeit.

Rainouts

- In the event of inclement weather, call the rain-out phone number at **972-941-7278** at **4:00 pm on Tuesdays. On Saturdays, games will be played unless posted otherwise.** You may also check the Message Board on our website at www.planoparks.org (under Sports, Adult Sports, Adult Sports Standings/Schedules and Message Board). If bad weather moves into the Carpenter Park area **after 4:00 pm on Tuesdays**, the **rain-out phone number** and the website **Message Board** will be updated as soon as games are cancelled.
- If umpires cancel the first games of the evening, or any games in progress, all successive games will be cancelled.
- Please keep checking back if the weather is questionable.**

Make-ups

- Cancelled games will be made up at the discretion of the Parks and Recreation Department.
- It is the intent of the Adult Sports Office to schedule make-up games on respective league nights with a minimum of six days' notice. **However, it may become necessary to schedule make-ups on Sundays or other week nights if the number of games to be made up becomes excessive.**
- All make-up games will be posted on your original website game schedule at www.planoparks.org (Sports / Adult Sports). **PLEASE CHECK SCHEDULES CAREFULLY FOR RAIN-OUT MAKE-UP POSTINGS.** The **make-up date** will be **added** to your schedule. The **original rained-out date** will **no longer appear**. Make-up dates will also be posted at the Heritage Yards kiosk and at the Adult Sports Office at 1409 Avenue K in Plano.
- Make-up schedules will not be mailed or given over the phone.**

League Award

- One first-place team award (trophy or plaque)

Playoff Awards (Championship Bracket)

- One first-place team award (trophy or plaque)
- 18 custom shirts

Questions

- Call the **Adult Sports** office at **972-941-7278** between **8:00 am - 5:00 pm** on **Monday – Friday**.