FARGO USA SOFTBALL LEAGUE RULES

- 1. DRESS CODE: TEAM DRESSED IN SHIRTS WITH 6" NUMBERS ON BACK. AFTER JUNE 9, YOU MUST HAVE A SHIRT WITH A NUMBER ON THE BACK.
- 2. PLAYERS TO START A GAME: TEAM MAY START GAME WITH 8 PLAYERS. THEY CAN ADD PLAYERS TO THE LINEUP AT ANY TIME UP TO THE STANDARD 10 PLAYERS. WHEN THEY ARE ADDED, PLACE THEM ON THE BOTTOM OF THE LINEUP & THEY CAN BAT WHEN THEIR TURN COMES UP. IF TEAM STARTS WITH UP TO 13 PLAYERS, THEY CAN DROP TO 8 PLAYERS DURING THE GAME FOR ANY REASON. JUST TAKE THE PLAYER OFF THE LINEUP CARD & CONTINUE TO PLAY. NO AUTOMATIC OUTS IN LEAGUE PLAY.
- 3. HOME RUN RULE: THERE WILL BE A 6 HOME RUN LIMIT OVER THE FENCE IN MEN'S CLASSIC DIVISION ON WEDNESDAY. ALL OTHER DIVISIONS (MEN & WOMEN) WILL HAVE 4 HOME RUNS. ANY BALL OVER THE FENCE AFTER THAT IS AN OUT. IF THE BALL IS TOUCHED BY AN OUTFIELDER & GOES OVER THE FENCE, THAT DOESN'T COUNT TOWARDS THE TOTAL.
- 4. LINEUP: TEAMS CAN BAT UP TO 13 PLAYERS. ANY 10 OF THE 13 CAN PLAY DEFENSE.
- 5. FORFEITING THE GAME: GAME TIME IS FORFEIT TIME. THE TEAM MUST HAVE 8 PLAYERS TO START OR CONTINUE A GAME. GAME TIMES ARE 6:30 & A REASONABLE TIME AFTER THE FIRST GAME.
- 6. RUN AHEAD RULE: 15 RUN RULE AFTER 3 INNINGS--ALL DIVISIONS
 10 RUN RULE AFTER 5 INNINGS--ALL DIVISIONS
- 7. TIME LIMIT: <u>NO INNING CAN START AFTER 65 MINUTES</u> UNLESS GAME IS TIED. PLAY UNTIL A WINNER IS DECIDED.
- 8. TOTAL FEES OF \$1100. A REGISTRATION FEE OF \$250 IS REQUIRED TO JOIN THE LEAGUE. THE BALANCE OF \$850 IS DUE ON OR BEFORE THE GENERAL MEETING, USUALLY THE FIRST MONDAY IN MAY. IF THE FULL AMOUNT IS STILL NOT PAID BY THE TEAM'S FIRST SCHEDULED GAME, A \$25 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO THE AMOUNT. THE TEAM COULD BE SUSPENDED IF FEES ARE NOT PAID BY THEIR FIRST GAME.
 - 9. LEAGUES WILL USE THE 1 & 1 COUNT, NO COURTESY.
- 10. ASA RULES: IF RULE IS NOT FOUND ON THIS SHEET, USE THE RULE IN THE ASA RULE BOOK.
 - 11. MATS WILL BE USED IN LEAGUE PLAY.