## Ken-Rock Community Center Softball Rules: T-Ball Squirt League/4-6 Year Old Boys and Girls

- 1. The softball program is organized to provide opportunity for play in the following leagues. A player's age is determined as of August 1 of the present year.
- 2. The official diamond shall have the following fences, base lines and pitching distances:

Base Line	Pitching Distance
50 ft.	30ft

## 3. <u>Team Roster:</u>

- a. A team must maintain a minimum of eleven (11) players and not more than Fourteen (15).
- b. Teams not at full strength will have players placed on the team if available.

## 4. Equipment:

- a. Only "Official Softball" bats, playground bats, or bats approved by the center's athletic director that are 2 ¼ diameter will be used in league play.
- 5. All game balls (11" Safety ball) shall be supplied by the Ken-Rock Athletic Department.
- 6. A shoe shall be considered official if it is made with either canvas or leather uppers, or similar material. The soles may be either smooth rubber or with soft or hard rubber cleats. Shoes with metal spikes or shoes with heals are illegal.
- 7. Catcher's mask must be worn by all catchers.
- 8. All players will be furnished with an official uniform by Ken-Rock Community Center. Each player must wear the issued uniform to be eligible to play. Girls may opt to wear the cap. Nothing should be added to the uniforms as to change the appearance from the original issue.
- 9. <u>Playing Requirements</u>: All players will play the field at all times, it is suggested that all players get a chance to play all positions.
- 10. <u>The Game:</u> 2 innings offensively and defensively or A 60 minute time limit, whichever comes first.

- a. A hit ball in the infield where no out was made batter & base runners may take one base.
- b. A batted ball that goes into the outfield where no out was made runner's & batter may advance until batted ball has been thrown back into the infield at which time the official calls the ball dead. At which time runners may advance only to the base they were running to.

## NO ADVANCEMENT ON OVERTHROWS.

- 11. <u>Batting:</u> The ball is hit off a batting tee; there is no pitching. There will be no walks issued or strikeouts. The ball must travel 8 feet from the tee in fair territory or it will be considered foul. If the tee is struck instead of the ball, it will be considered a foul ball.
- 12. <u>Player Rotation:</u> We encourage coaches to rotate players to multiple positions on the field. All players not in infield will play outfield. This includes the pitcher catcher position. The rotation of players allows all boys and girls a fair opportunity during each game.
- 13. <u>Base Running</u>: Base runners may leave their bases when a pitched ball is hit or passes over home plate but must return to that base immediately after each pitch not hit by the batter.
- 15. Dead Ball: The ball is dead and not in play after each pitch that is not hit.
- 16. <u>Pitching:</u> The pitcher position player from the defensive team will field his position and must stand on the pitching rubber no further or closer to home than the pitching rubber itself.
- 17. Awards: Participation trophies will be awarded to all team in the squirt division.