

**Spring 2017 Youth Softball  
LEAGUE INFORMATION  
12 & Under, 10 & Under and 8 & Under  
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**AGE GROUPS AND DIVISIONS**

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| A. 12 & Under (12U) | Cannot turn 13 before December 31, 2016                           |
| 10 & Under (10U)    | Cannot turn 11 before December 31, 2016                           |
| 8 & Under (8U)      | Must be 6 by June 30 2017, cannot turn 9 before December 31, 2016 |

**EVALUATION/DRAFT**

- A. For the purpose of being fair to all participants and coaches, **all** new players in their assigned age groups will go through the draft. The draft will be a short evaluation of softball skills in an effort to evenly distribute talent within the league. All returning Spring (2017) players have the choice of returning to their previous Spring (2017) assigned team or go through the draft: **HOWEVER, registration is first come, first serve.**

**\*Please Note\*** Any player registered or added from the waiting list after the last day of registration will go through the draft, they will not be able to return to their Spring (2016) team.

**10 & Under: Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at Clover Community Park**

**12 & Under: Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am at Clover Community Park**

**8 & Under: Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at Clover Community Park**

**All players need to come to the draft ready to play with all equipment (such as glove, cleats, etc.)**

- B. Draft Exemption(s):
1. Head coach son/daughter
  2. Sibling(s)
  3. Relative that is the reason a coach is coaching (e.g. An aunt/uncle is coaching for their niece)

**PRACTICES/GAMES/TOURNAMENTS**

- A. Pre-season practices for all 8U, 10U, and 12U will begin the week of March 6<sup>th</sup>.
- B. 8U, 10U, and 12U regular season games will begin the week of March 27<sup>th</sup> and will end approximately in late May. All league games can be played on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays or Saturdays. 10U and 12U single elimination tournaments will begin at the conclusion of regular season games.
- C. **Make-up games will be made up as soon as possible (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday). \* In the event of inclement weather Clover Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to shorten the season by canceling games, adjusting the tournament lay-out or scheduling double-headers**

**RULES**

- A. The leagues will be governed by rules set forth by the Amateur Softball Association (ASA) and/or local rules set forth by the Clover, Fort Mill, Tega Cay and York Parks and Recreation Departments.

## FEES

- A. The registration fee is \$50.00 per player for 8U, 10U and 12U; it covers the players' shirt and hat, officials, equipment, field usage and any maintenance. The fee does not include shorts, shoes, trophies or a banquet.

## PITCH, HIT & RUN

- A. The Aquafina Major League Baseball Pitch, Hit & Run competition will be held on a date to be determined. This event is a Local level of competition. All winners advance to a Sectional level of competition. Boys and girls ages 7-14 (cannot turn 15 before July 17<sup>th</sup>) are invited to participate. **This is a FREE competition!**

## MISCELLANEOUS

- A. **Picture Button Sales:** These can be purchased from the Clover Recreation Department approximately a week after pictures have been taken. **The cost of the buttons will be two for \$5.00.** We will only have buttons for players that take individual pictures on picture day.

### B. **My Team Shop**

We have finalized a partnership with BSN Sports in an effort to allow our families and players easy access to gear and apparel at a discounted price. The apparel will be printed with our Clover Parks and Recreation Logos. The gear will be specific per sport. Clover Parks and Recreation will receive a percentage per sale from BSN Sports so your purchase will benefit our youth recreation programs!

#### **How does it work?**

- “My Team Shop” will open twice during the spring season
  - Open - January 16<sup>th</sup> and Close - January 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Open - March 6<sup>th</sup> and Close - March 20<sup>th</sup>
- Go to [bsnsports.com](http://bsnsports.com) > My Team Shop
- Enter the access code (to be distributed by email, Facebook and website)
- Order all apparel and gear; must order while shop is open, no orders will be taken after closing dates
- The orders will be processed once the store closes (January 30<sup>th</sup>/March 20<sup>th</sup>)

- C. **Parents and Players: All players must have a Code of Conduct, Birth Certificate and Medical Release Form on file at Clover Parks and Recreation before the first week of practices. If all forms are not on file, the child will not be allowed to play.**
- D. **Coaches and Volunteers: All Volunteers must have a completed background check before draft day. If the background check is not complete, person(s) will not be allowed to coach.**
- E. More information will be available at the drafts.

**If you have any further questions or for more information, please contact Josh McCarter, Baseball/Softball Coordinator at 803-222-9493 or [jmccarter@cloversc.org](mailto:jmccarter@cloversc.org)**

**Please help us keep the parks clean by picking up trash after the practices and games**