



# **Clinton Youth Softball**

2018 Softball Season Registration Packet



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**Early Bird registration from January 2nd-February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**February 16<sup>th</sup>-March 2<sup>nd</sup> prices increase by \$15.00**

**After March 2<sup>nd</sup> a \$25.00 late fee will be added to all registrations**

- *Teams will be limited to roughly 12 people per team. Register early to ensure your roster spot.*

**Please fill this registration form out completely and return to the Clinton Parks and Recreation Department office Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm. Registrations can also be completed through our online registration system: [www.clintonrec.com](http://www.clintonrec.com)**

**Registration Fee and Play Levels:**

**\*\* Age is determined based on the players age as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017**

\*\* Example: The "U" before the age means under. So U10 means 10 and under. For example, if your child is 9 as of 12/31/2017 they would play in the U10 division. If your child is 8 as of 12/31/2017 but turns 9 in January they would play in the instructional U8 division unless they petition to move up a division.

- **Instructional (U8)** \$65.00
- **Minor Division (U10):** \$75.00
- **Junior Division (U12)** \$85.00

**Additional Pricing Information:**

- *\$10.00 discount off for each additional family member in the league (does not have to be in the same division, first child pays full price, 2<sup>nd</sup> child is \$10 off.)*

**Payment**

**Make checks payable to:** Town of Clinton

**Register online using a credit card:** Visa, MasterCard, Discover

### **Information about the Clinton Youth Softball League:**

*The Clinton Youth Softball League strives to provide a positive, competitive youth softball experience for each player, parent and coach. We are dedicated to the advancement and long-term player development of each participant by building character, using softball as a tool to teach young athletes in a way that improves their self-confidence and self-esteem, and making players better, more productive community athletes. Our program features skill building, membership in the Wachusett Softball Association with games against teams from surrounding towns, various team building events, and the opportunity to play and learn more about the sport of softball.*

***Whether you are an experienced player or new to the sport,  
our league welcomes all levels of talent.***

*This season we will be part of the Wachusett Softball Association, playing games against Boylston, Holden, Rutland, Sterling, and West Boylston.*

### **Uniform:**

All those participating in the league will receive a jersey and a visor. All leagues except for instructional will receive a pair of socks matching their uniform color. **It is the responsibility of each player to purchase a pair of softball pants. These pants need to be black.** Parents are responsible for purchasing needed softball equipment (cleats, glove, etc.)

### **Practices and Games:**

Practices will begin at the end of March/beginning of April with opening day at the end of April. The season will conclude around the second week in June (unless we have multiple rainouts throughout the season).

Practices days and times will be determined by individual coaches, but in the beginning of the season teams can expect 2-3 practices per week and as the season progresses this may reduce and be replaced with games. Instructional players will practice 1 time per week with games throughout the season.

Generally, the game schedule is as follows (exact days subject to change):

- Instructional (U8): Clinic style practices (Friday evenings) with 6-8 games throughout the season
- Minors (U10): 2 games per week 1-2 practices per week
- Juniors (U12): 2-3 games per week, two on weeknights plus some weekend games, 1-2 practices per week

### **Team Assignment:**

**\*\*Please note players may not end up on the same team they were on last year.**

Teams and coaching assignments will be determined in March. Head coaches will have their child assigned to their team. Assistant coaches will be assigned after the draft and will be based around the team their child is assigned to.

To accommodate busy family schedules, all siblings will be placed on the same team within the same division unless otherwise noted. If siblings have different last names or addresses, please make a note of this. Children of coaches will be on the same team as their parent. All other players will be drafted by the coaches so talent is spread out equally among the division.

U10 and U12 players will be subject to an evaluation/try-out to determine their skill level. Players will be assigned to teams in a draft fashion after the evaluations. Team assignment requests cannot be guaranteed. **Players will not receive a refund if they withdraw from the league after the teams are announcements.**

### **Petitioning to a Higher Division:**

- If a parent wishes to petition that their play up a division they must the Clinton Parks and Recreation office. That player must attend evaluations at the higher level and be competitive with the players at that level based on the results of the coaches evaluations completed that night.
- Availability of roster spots for higher divisions will be determined on registration numbers. Players will only be able to move up a division if there are roster spots available.
  - The league will not bump a player from their age division for a player who wishes to play up a division.

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## 2018 REGISTRATION FORM

### Player Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of 12/31/2017 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mother) First Last Cell Phone

\_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Father) First Last Cell Phone

Emergency Contact (other than parent) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Medical considerations (please note any medical considerations the coach should be aware of? Please include attention issues, allergies, physical ailments):

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Does your child play the following positions (please circle): pitcher catcher

Level: beginner, intermediate, advanced

Which division are you registering for? (please circle) U8 U10 U12

Uniform: Youth S, M, L- Adult S, M, L, XL

Do you have multiple children in the same playing division? Y or N

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I give Clinton Parks & Recreation permission to use pictures taken during the program on their website and in promotional materials.

#### **INJURY WAIVER:**

In consideration of participation of the minor player named above in this recreation program, the undersigned parent or guardian hereby consents to his/her participation and releases and holds harmless the Towns of Clinton and the Clinton School District and their officers, agents, and employees from any liability for, and waives all claims, suits, or causes for action that the undersigned, as parent or guardian, and said minor, either before or after he/she may reach his/her age of majority, may have now or hereafter based on or arising from, any injury suffered or incurred by the minor player as a result of, or in conjunction with, his/her participation in said recreation program. Such waiver and release to be in effect without regard to whether such injury is the result of or caused by the fault of the town of Clinton or the Clinton School District or any of their officers, agents, or employees. This instrument is intended to take effect as a sealed instrument. I further certify that my child is medically fit to participate in the above recreation program.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Guardian) Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## Volunteer Opportunities

The Clinton Youth Softball League is always looking for volunteers to assist with all aspects of the league. Please let us know if you are interested in the following:

- Head Coach (please specify level) \_\_\_\_\_ Did you coach last year? Yes No
- Assistant Coach (please specify level) \_\_\_\_\_
- General league volunteer (to help with concession stands, fundraisers, and other league events)

\*\* Please note that our league will select team head coaches based on seniority, past involvement in the league and knowledge of softball.

Contact Information: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent Code of Conduct

1. I will respect the rules and the policies of the league and remember the game is for the youth.
2. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any officials, coaches, players or parents such as booing, taunting, , profane language or gestures.
3. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game or his/her performance
4. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition
5. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time & place.
6. I will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or others
7. I agree that if I fail to abide by the rules and guidelines, I will be subject to disciplinary action to include: verbal warning by official, head coach, and/or the league organizer, written warning, parental game suspension with written documentation of incident kept on file by league, parental season suspension.

## Code of Participation

Coaches will strive to give equal playing time to all participants. Each division has regulations in place for how much playing time players will receive and the positions that they will be placed in. **However, player commitment is very important to the league and those players that are practicing regularly and participating in team/league events may be rewarded through a starting position, and playing extra innings if a spot arises.**

By signing below I am agreeing to the policies and procedures of the Clinton Youth Softball League. League Bi-Laws are available on our website at [clintonrec.com](http://clintonrec.com)

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_