

DEAREST PLAYER,

# BEGINNERS GUIDE TO SOFTBALL

#PlayStrongStayHumbleBeKind



# ABOUT US

Magnolia Area Softball Association provides a safe place for softball players ages 3-16 years of age to meet new friends, gather with like minded families that share a passion for softball & youth sports.

We learn and grow together. #PlayStrongStayHumbleBeKind

We practice any chance we get; our newest batting cages coming soon for more practice!

Our league provides 5 softball fields for games; located down Sugar Bend Drive in Magnolia, Texas!





## **EQUIPMENT**

#### How to choose a softball bat?

Hold the bat from the middle of your chest to the end of your fingertips, the bat shouldn't be longer than your fingertips.

### How to choose a softball size?

10u and younger use an 11" softball 12u + may use an 12" softball

### How to choose a face mask?

Pick the one you like.

## How to choose a softball bag?

Whichever fits your stuff & water.

## How to choose a softball apparel?

Check with coach regarding softball pants, sliding shorts, visor, sunglasses, etc. need to be purchased.

Socks, Belts, & Jersey may be provided.

## How to choose cleats?

Pick the style of softball cleats you like.

### How to choose a softball helmet?

Whatever feels more comfortbale.

## **GETTING STARTED**

1.) First thing is first: Find out when the next open registration is.

#### REGISTER FOR THE UPCOMING SEASON.

Online via website and on site registration is available.

- 2.) Follow on social media to stay up to date with field & event communications @MagnoliaAreaSoftball
- 3.) Attend **open practices** and learn more about the game of softball at clinics; study skills and drills to practice at home for progression.
- 4.) Arrive 30 minutes early to **player evaluations** for team draft day; you will check in, receive your number, and pay for fundraising items for the season.



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## **WE ARE A TEAM**

Once player evaluations are complete, the coaches will draft their team of fabulous softball players and you'll receive an introduction email from your coach!

Coaches Name and Contact info, Practice items, Team mom info, League News, etc.

A few weeks later the league will release a full season schedule with games (dates & times), events, etc. Stay social @MagnoliaAreaSoftball



## Where does the \$ go?

## 1.) Registration Funds from parents/players:

Keeps the fields playable! It costs a lot to keep the lights on, purchase necessary items to keep up with weekly operations (toilet paper, cleaning supplies, etc.) and to be able to fix things when they break!

# 2.) Sponsorship Funds and generous donations:

Help us to upgrade our fields, equipment (scoreboards, concessions, batting cages, etc.)







## What happens when it rains?

Coaches, Team Moms, or the League will communicate with your team.

Be sure to sign up for Rain out messages sent via text.

If you haven't already follow us on Facebook and Instagram

@MagnoliaAreaSoftball

Games may be postponed or rescheduled depending on the field conditions, other team schedules, etc.



# **FUN FACTS**

- We have an awesome concession stand menu, come hungry!
- Volunteers are greatly appreciated, please sign up at least once.
- Our board members are parents too, feel free to ask questions!
- Each year we've grown and want to invite you to grow with us.

#### **Email us questions or concerns:**

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