

Bylaws of Central East Women's Fastpitch League (CEWFL)

2. Membership

- a. Softball associations that meet the following minimum requirements may apply for membership in the League;
 - i. Have obtained insurance through PWSA affiliation
 - ii. A member will be deemed in good standing with the league provided that the member association:
 2. does not owe any dues, fees or other debts to the league, or to other member associations (includes members of the member association)
 3. has not been suspended or removed from league membership; and
 4. is in good standing with the PWSA per their Good Standing (Article 2, Section 2.5). Except where, being "subject to investigation" has not proceeded to disciplinary action within 7 days.
 5. elects and nominates a member from their Association to serve on the league Board of Directors
 - iii. Must not operate as, or be legally registered as, a for-profit entity. An association would not qualify as a member if
 2. it distributed income during the year, either directly or indirectly, to, or for the personal benefit of, any of its members; **OR**
 3. it has the power at any time to declare and pay dividends out of income.
 - iv. The league may request supporting documentation as a condition of obtaining membership, such as confirmation of PWSA affiliation, insurance and good standing, or confirmation of payment of fees, or registration status
- b. All existing member associations with the league will not be denied membership, provided that they
 - i. have been an existing member within the last five years
 - ii. were in good standing in the most recent year of active membership
 - iii. have complied with all their explicit obligations under the Bylaws and Operating Procedures
 - iv. are not the subject of the removal processes outlined in section XIII
- c. Obtaining and maintaining membership in the league;
 - i. requires a supermajority (2/3 affirmative vote) of the Board of Directors

- ii. is subject to meeting the criteria in section 2-a and 2-b.
- iii. may be denied for failing to meet the minimum requirements herein

Operating Procedures of Central East Women's Fastpitch League (CEWFL)

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- a. Member Associations must annually confirm to the Secretary of the Board of Directors in writing through a Membership Application;
 - i. All association teams and players playing in the league for that season are affiliated/associated and insured through the PWSA
 - ii. A list of teams entering into the league, non-player contacts and the division of play
 - iii. Each team's TeamSnap ID to be used for purposes outlined in Section 3: Team Participation
 - iv. Expected permit information for playing nights, times and locations
- b. Deadline date for association team entries and entry fee payment will be March 1st of each year. Late applications may be considered until April 1st by a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee.
- c. League fees will be determined annually at the AGM to cover the operational budget of the CEWFL.

3. Team Participation

- d. Recognizing the importance of 100% participation to properly operate the league, all member Associations voted unanimously for their teams to use TeamSnap to participate in the league operations; including:
 - i. Scheduling, scoring and standings
 - ii. League-wide communications, by written, email and phone
 - iii. Verifying eligible players on rosters for disputes or insurance purposes
 - iv. Disciplinary and other league processes
- e. Failure to maintain league accounts at these minimum levels throughout the season will be a violation that could result in disciplinary action, up to and including denial of entry into league play, or in removal from league play at a later date.
- f. The following are every teams' minimum requirements for participating in league play:
 - i. Must take ownership of, and maintain, a league assigned account, which includes
 - ii. Must mark **private** in the software any personal information such as PWSA, Respect in Sport, Birth Certificate and Health Card numbers, as well as any medical or other personal information

Roster	A current and complete Roster (player and non-playing members) that includes:
	Player Name (complete section)
	Contact Information (complete section), including
	Email and phone
	One parent/guardian (except U19)
	Optional Player Details (select fields only)
Schedule	Maintaining and reporting games scores for the league schedule
Manager	All items listed under the Team Settings

21. Operating Offences

- a. Member associations of any team that fails to meet obligations as set out in these Operating Procedures, including providing required information, attending the League scheduling meeting, fulfilling in-season or playoff game commitments or attending meetings required under league governance will be subject to the following fines:
 - i. First Offence \$50.00
 - ii. Second Offence \$100.00
 - iii. Third Offence \$150.00
- b. Any fines, penalties or expenses incurred by the league for an offence may require reimbursement by the offending team or association
- c. Each fine must be paid before the team can participate in any further league games or other activity. Un-played games will be forfeit per the Forfeit Process.
- d. The team and/or member association will be required to go before the Disciplinary Committee
 - i. After the third operating offence of any kind
 - ii. After the third forfeit, the team may be removed from the season
 - iii. If not in good standing by the end of the season, the team may be denied entry to the league the following season
- e. It is the obligation of the offended team to report the breach to the Divisional Convenor within 48 hours for it to be acted upon.