



The City of Lowell Parks and Recreation Department

Adult Kickball Registration Form

Online registration available at www.lowellnc.com. Full payment due at same time as form submission. Printed forms and payment may be submitted to City Hall through the City's drop box located behind City Hall. Due to COVID-19, City Hall is currently closed to the public. All three forms (Registration, Code of Conduct, and COVID-19 Waiver) and full payment must be turned in together. No refunds once teams are formed.

Sport:

- Adult Kickball
 City of Lowell Resident \$30 Non-Resident \$50

Participant Information:

Player Name: First Name: _____ Middle (full middle name) _____ Last _____

Players Age as of May 1, 2021: ____ Sex: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Shirt Size: YL AS AM AL AXL AXXL A3X

*Please note, you will be responsible for paying for another uniform if the size is circled incorrectly on the form.

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: _____

Relation: _____

Phone Number: _____

By signing this form, I agree that in the event that I am disabled, injured, or incurs a disease of a temporary or permanent nature while participating as a member of the activity or program to release, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Lowell, its officials, agents and employees from all actions, causes of actions, claim, demands, damages and cost arising there from, and do hereby assume all risks associated with participation in the sports or activities provided. Before starting any type of exercise program, you should contact your doctor first. Also, we agree to return any equipment or uniform to the recreation department.

I hereby consent to receive medical treatment which may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident and illness during these activities. I understand that as these activities, my child may be photographed. I agree to allow my child's photo, video or film likeness to be used for any legitimate purpose by the event holder, producer, sponsor organizers and or assigns. I also agree to follow all rules of conduct while participating in all recreational activities sponsored by the City of Lowell.

Player's Signature: _____ Player's Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Office Use Only: Total Paid: \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check (# _____) Receipt # _____ Date Paid: _____ Received from: _____
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Code of Conduct Policy

The City of Lowell Parks and Recreation department strives to provide high quality sports programs and is dependent on participants, officials, spectators, and the City of Lowell Parks and Recreation staff to all work together to create an environment that is conducive to the recreation and enjoyment of all participants. With this end in mind, the following rules of conduct while participating in any City of Lowell Athletics Programs have been established.

Expected Behavior	PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR
Sportsmanlike conduct by players towards the opposition, officials, spectators, and Lowell Parks and Recreation staff is mandatory. Conduct yourself in a manner that is respectful to all.	Derogatory or unsportsmanlike conduct, including, but not limited to, the use of profanity or demeaning language, intimidation, taunting, teasing and/or ridiculing or any other abusive and/or harassing language or behavior towards players, coaches, managers, teams, spectators, officials, or the Lowell Parks and Recreation staff.
Follow all established and posted rules, written and/or verbal rules specific to the athletic program, and any direction or requests from officials and/or The City of Lowell Parks and Recreation staff.	Engaging in disruptive and/or disorderly behavior or conduct that endangers one's self or others and/or damages or defaces The City of Lowell Parks and Recreation Athletics or facility property.
Respect all City of Lowell Athletics and facility property, as well as the property of other participants.	Smoking or using tobacco (in any form) in any area of the facility or premises on which a City of Lowell Athletics Program is being held. (Smoke in designated areas is permitted)
Limit active play to only those areas designated for it.	Using drugs, alcohol, or any other intoxicating substance while at the facility or premises on which a The City of Lowell Athletics Program is being held or being under the influence of such substances.

The City of Lowell Parks and Recreation department, or authorized designee, shall have the authority to administer immediate disciplinary action to individual players, coaches, managers, spectators, and officials for violations of this Code of Conduct, including, but not limited to: suspension and/or removal; forfeiture of game(s); and/or expulsion of teams, coaches, or managers from The City of Lowell Athletics Programs for up to one (1) year. The severity of the violation and/or the frequency of occurrence will determine the appropriate course of action. Some Code of Conduct violations may also subject the violator to criminal prosecution in addition to any sanctions administered by the City. Any and all situations not specifically covered in this Code of Conduct and that require disciplinary action shall be acted upon by The City of Lowell Parks and Recreation staff, or their authorized designee, and all such actions shall become part of this Code of Conduct. An individual receiving disciplinary action pursuant to this Code of Conduct must abide by the decision at the time of enforcement. Said individual may submit, no later than 24 hours after the incident, a protest, in written form (email ok), to The City of Lowell Parks and Recreation Department. All decisions by the City on appeal are final.

Player's Signature: _____ Player's Printed Name: _____
 Date: _____



Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to
Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend physical distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups and people.

The City of Lowell (City) has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the City cannot guarantee that you, your children, or any other person, will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending City sponsored activities could increase your risk and your child or children's risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child or children and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending City activities and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at City activities may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including but not limited to City employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child or children or myself, including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, death, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense or any kind, that I or my child or children may experience or incur in connection with my child or children's attendance at City activities or programming. On my behalf and on behalf of my child or children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless and indemnify the City, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from any and all claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the City, its employees, agents and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any City program.

Player's Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Player's Name _____ Name of Activity Participant(s) _____



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Adult Kickball Information Sheet

Lowell Parks and Recreation is accepting registrations for teams to put into the City of Belmont league. Practices will be at Harold Rankin Park. Games will be in Belmont.

2021 Spring Season-Games could begin:

Mid March/Early April. Monday nights at 7:15pm at either Belmont Central; or Frady Field

Question: What is the level of competition?

Answer: The group has been found to be fun, social and friendly.

League players are for the most part on a recreational level and abilities vary person to person.

Question: What will be the season dates?

Answer: Teams/Individuals will have the chance to come play and experience the adult kickball program on March/April (TBA) to see how the league works. Meet up/orientation night will be at Belmont Central Elementary Baseball Field.

Games:

April (TBD) Monday nights at 7:15pm; 8:10pm at either Belmont Central; or Frady Field.

Question: What rulebook is used? What about the game ball?

Answer: Rules will be emailed out before practices begin. Ball will be 10" kickball inflated to 1-1.5 lbs.

Question: How long are games usually and what about extra innings?

Answer: All games are (6) innings or 45 minutes, whichever happens first ends regulation game.

There are no ties in the Belmont Adult Kickball Program. If the game is tied at the end of the 45 minutes or the 6th inning, then the game is finished by using the “one-pitch play” rule.

Question: What positions are used?

Answer: In the field, full teams of (10) use: a catcher, a pitcher, first, second and third base. Also, a shortstop and four outfielders. When teams have less than 10 players, the field positions that usually are first to go would be the use of outfielders.

Question: Can we play with less than 10 players? What are the Coed Rules for male/female ratios to be eligible for coed play?

Answer: Belmont Parks and Recreation Adult Kickball Program is Coed, so there must be an equal amount of male and female players playing in the game. If a team is playing an odd number of field players, (such as having 7 or 9 players) then the team MUST field only 1 more female or male player than the other gender. (For example, a team may play down with 7 players, so long as it is 3 male players and 4 female players or vice-versa.

Question: How does my team and roster work?

Answer: A full team in the field is 10 players, and a max roster limit of 16 players. Players may be accepted up to the 3rd game of the season. No more adds to roster following the 3rd game of season. Rosters MUST be updated by contacting the adult kickball coordinator prior to the new player entering the game. Waiver forms MUST be complete and any associated fees collected prior to roster approval/player add. For player add/eligibility email: ybroussard@lowellinc.com.

Question: Are there any other rules or policies we may need to know prior to the season?

Answer: Belmont Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to adjust, add or improve on program rules in order that the league can benefit teams. The coordinator will make team managers aware by email notification if any rule changes are required and when they will be implemented. There is no sliding, stealing bases or changing batting order once it has been established in the first inning. Penalty could be player warning/send off and a team OUT.

Question: What are the field dimensions?

Answer: Games that are hosted at Belmont Central Baseball Field, has a fence line that will serve as the “homerun fence.” The approximate distance is 200ft. and base distance shall be 60ft. Pitchers line shall be 43ft. and will be located at the defensive arc which runs between 1st and 3rd base line. Catcher’s box area shall be a right angle on the third base side, the intersection is 7ft back from home plate.

Question: What is the rule exactly regarding the defensive box? Catchers Box?

Answer: There will be a chalked arc (43ft back from home plate) between 1st and 3rd base line that all defensive players MUST stay behind until the ball is kicked. Catchers MUST wait until ball is kicked before they too can enter into the field. Kicker MUST wait until ball crosses plate before kicking it and can’t run into the field to kick or it will be deemed a strike.

Question: How does the pitching work and what are the rules?

Answer: Pitchers shall line up at the defensive arc/line and/or what is known as the pitchers line, which is 43ft from the home plate. Pitchers may take up to 3 steps to “wind up” and the ball must be released below the waist. The ball may roll or bounce. If bounced, the ball MUST bounce a minimum of (3) three times BEFORE crossing the strike zone. The pitch is automatically ruled a “ball”, if the pitched ball touches one of the two strike cones, or does not legally enter the strike zone. Batters may kick any ball, including a pitch ruled a “ball”

Question: What is the count?

Answer: All batters begin with 1-1 count and after 3 strikes they are ruled out. After 4 balls, player may advance to base.

Questions: How does the ball move? And pegs bro, what about the pegs!?

Answer: Following any kick made by the batter, fielders may either kick or throw the ball around the field to team players. “Pegs” throwing ball to tag out player is acceptable ONLY if contact has been made between runner’s shoulders and feet. Any contact that is received above shoulders (head, neck, face) is a violation and could result in a penalty/player out of game 2-5 minutes or per referee discretion could deem a game suspension.

Question: What is the “one-pitch play” rule when time has exceeded the 45 minutes and/or 6 innings have been exhausted and teams are still tied?

Answer: When needed, the “one-pitch play” rule is used to end the game. One-pitch play shall start the first extra-inning required because of the time limit was reached or (6) six innings were played. In “one-pitch play”, each batter shall receive only (1) one pitch.

If the pitch is a ball... then the batter receives a “walk”

If the pitch is a strike or foul ball is made.....then the batter shall be called “out”

If the pitch is kicked fair.....then the play progresses as normal.

If the game is still not decided by the end of one inning of “one-pitch play”, then the player who completed the last at-bat on each team shall go to second base at the start of the second inning of “one-pitch play” This player is not necessarily the last out, but shall be the player whom last finished batting.

Question: What is the mercy rule? What’s the ruling on foul balls?

Answer: The game will automatically end if one team has reached 15 or more points at the end of the second inning or 10 or more points after the 3rd inning. The ruling on foul balls is as follows;

1- All players receives (1) one “courtesy foul” after a player has (2) two strikes. Otherwise, a foul can count as a player’s second strike. A player “fouls out”, after using his or her “courtesy foul”. For example, a player starting with a 1-1 count may kick (1) one ball foul (Strike 1-2) or just miss the ball when kicking (Strike 1-2), the player than has only (1) one “courtesy foul” ball left.

For any other questions, contact Lowell’s Athletic Supervisor, Yvette Broussard at ybroussard@lowellnc.com or 704-824-0099.