



April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**SHAVER COMPLEX - SENECA, SC**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014**

**\$175 ENTRY FEE TO REGISTER YOUR TEAM**

**(\*\*\* Players must begin and end with the same team)**

***DOUBLE ELIMINATION***

**PRIZES INCLUDE: BATS, GLOVES, BAGS, T-SHIRTS, GIFT CARDS, ETC.**

**TROPHIES TO THE TOP 3 TEAMS**

*50% of the proceeds from this event will go to the winning team's charity of choice*

*50% will be divided equally between the recommended 501 (C)(3) Non-Profit Organization*

- ◆ Foothills Pregnancy Care Center
- ◆ Collins Children's Home
- ◆ Blue Ridge Arts Center
- ◆ Safe Harbor

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TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CHOOSE TEAM CHARITY CHOICE: \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM CAPTAIN (TC): \_\_\_\_\_

*\*\$175 REGISTRATION FEE MUST BE PAID BEFORE THE TEAM IS OFFICIALLY REGISTERED (Checks written to Upstate Community Chest LTD)*

PLAYERS FULL NAME	PHONE#	EMAIL ADDRESS
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## WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

READ BEFORE SIGNING

In consideration of being allowed to participate (in any way) in the Upstate Community Chest Men's 1 Pitch Charity Softball Tournament, related events and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1. The risk of injury from the activities involved in this program can be significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and
2. I knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees, or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release and hold harmless the Upstate Community Chest LTD, the UCC Men's 1 Pitch Charity Softball Tournament, the City of Seneca, Shaver Recreational Department, the organizations employees, board or association members their officers, officials, agents, and/or employees, volunteers, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners, and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("releasees"), with respect to any and all injury, disability, death, or loss or damage to person or property, whether arising from the negligence of the releasees or otherwise.

I have read this release of liability and assumption of risk agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement.

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Participant's Signature

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Participant's Printed Name

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Date

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## UCC Men's 1 Pitch Charity Softball Tournament Registration Form

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Choose Team Charity Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Player's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Choose T-shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Insurance Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Copy of personal insurance card front and back

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## UCC Men's 1 Pitch Charity Softball Tournament Rules

- This is a double-elimination tournament where fun and good competition coincide. The rules that follow are modified USSSA rules where safety is first priority.
- The Tournament Coordinator(s) has the right to eliminate any team and/or player for any reason at any time with no refund & shall have complete charge of all situations not covered in the rules. Rules shall be acted upon by the coordinator(s), and all decisions are FINAL.
- Volunteer Scorekeepers will be provided.
- Teams of 10 players comprise a normal playing team from a 20 person (max) roster.
- Team Rosters & Liability Waivers from each player are due before the first game. Players must be at least 16 years of age. Each player must sign the liability waiver to be considered an eligible player.
- Players MAY NOT play for more than one team in the tournament and must begin and end with the same team.
- A minimum of 9 players must be present to begin a game. If a team decides to start with 9 players, the 9th and 10th batters will be an automatic out until the player arrives.
- A batting line up of no more than 20 players must be submitted to the Scorekeeper at the beginning of every game.
- If a game has to be called due to inclement weather, or any other potentially hazardous conditions, the game shall be considered complete if 5 or more innings have been played, or 4 ½ innings if the home team is ahead.
- No steel cleats will be allowed.
- Although we do not require jerseys #'s, we ask that each team wear similar colored shirts/jerseys.
- All jewelry must be removed or covered with tape.
- A game will be 7 innings and governed by a 55 minute time limit from the time the Umpire calls "play ball".
- Home team will be determined by the flip of a coin at the beginning of every game.
- Each batter will begin with three (3) balls and two (2) strikes.
- If the game is tied at the end of regulation, extra innings will be played with the visiting team batting first.
- **MERCY RULE:** If after four (4) complete innings and there is a 15-point lead OR if after five (5) complete innings and there is a 10-point lead the official game is over. If both teams agree, the game can continue for fun with no umpire(s) or scorekeeper available.

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- **HOMERUN RULE:** Each team is allowed 3 homeruns per game. Any homerun after that will be considered an out. However, the team hitting any additional homerun has the option of paying \$10 each to the UCC Men's 1 Pitch Charity Softball Tournament charity fund if they want the homerun counted on the official score.
- **INFIELD FLY RULE:** The batter will be called out by the umpire behind the plate, if the batter hits a popup in the infield with runners on 1st and 2nd, or with bases loaded, and less than two outs.
- If the softball goes out of play (umpires ruling) the runner gets an extra base. If the runner is at least halfway to the next base, they will be awarded the next base.
- **INJURED PLAYER:** If a player is injured and unable to return to the game, a substitution can be made at the time of the injury. If no substitution is available the team will continue, taking an 'automatic out' in the position of the injured player when that player was scheduled to bat.
- The pitched ball must be delivered with noticeable arc and reach a height of at least 6 feet from the ground, while not exceeding a maximum height of 10 feet from the ground and hit the plate/strike zone mat to be called a strike.
- Any pitch that is too high or too low will be deemed a "ball", unless the batter hits the pitch making it a live ball.
- The pitchers foot must be in contact with the pitching rubber before the ball leaves the hand.
- No fake pitching
- Teams may bat up to 14 players from the roster per game. Once a player is placed in the batting order they cannot move to another position in the batting order.
- The ball becomes dead if a pitch hits a batter. No base shall be awarded.
- A batter is out if the batter steps on home plate while swinging/advancing to first base.
- Designated Hitter(s) are not allowed.
- A base runner **will not** be allowed to steal bases even if a pitched ball passes the catcher.
- **PLAYS AT THE PLATE:** The base runner must avoid contact while running to home plate. The base runner should slide, give himself up, or step around the catcher. (Everybody has to work. Don't run the catcher over!) If there is significant contact at the plate caused by the base runner, the base runner will be called out. (UMPIRES DISCRETION)
- In case of a "sliding base" (causing a runner to fall), the runner will be declared safe if no effort is made by the player to advance to the next base.
- Courtesy runners are not allowed. If a player is injured, please see *INJURED PLAYER* rule.

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- **SAFETY BASE:** When there is a play at 1<sup>st</sup> the runner must run to the outside and the fielder must play the inside base. If contact occurs over the outside (runner's) base, the runner is automatically awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> base and all other runners are advanced two bases from the base they last occupied. If contact occurs over the inside (fielders) base, the runner is automatically out, and the runners return back to their original bases.
- At no time can a player interfere with another team's direct play on the ball. This includes routine plays such as a pop fly, grounder, or tag out at 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> bases.
- Volunteer umpires will be provided for each game and are to be respected.
- There is to be no arguing with the official over calls. There is **NO EXCEPTION** to this rule. Any player, coach, or observer whose temper gets out of control over a judgment call, or who by vulgarity, intimidation or yelling confronts an official, will be given a verbal warning. If the infraction is repeated, the offending person will be ejected from the tournament & asked to leave the facility.
- Absolutely no alcohol will be allowed near the fields by a player or spectator. This includes the bleacher and dug out areas.
- Please remember each individual was asked to play, and that everyone playing the game is out to have fun & support a good cause!
- Teams must start and finish with a minimum of 9 players.

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