

PLAYER LINE UP CARDS

Line Up Card

This is a basic lineup card for a team that Fields 9 players, no one sits out, there are no substitutions, everyone plays the whole game.

Once the lineup card is completed and submitted to the umpire, the lineup cannot change. Players out of order will be called out in most cases but there are a few things that can happen in the event of a player batting out of order. Check your rulebook for that.

You need to fill out the form much like it is shown:

Team Name: This is always YOUR team

Date: Current Date, used for reference in case of an issue

Opposing Team: The other guys
ABC Rotation/Universal Rotation/Regular Substitution: none

Fill in each player by Name, in order, first and last name followed in the next column by their Jersey Number and Defensive Position.

Most opposing coaches don't really care at house ball level but if you go to a tournament or provincials, you will be asked to enter it.

Refresher course:

- Pitcher = 1
- Catcher = 2
- 1st Base = 3
- 2nd Base = 4
- 3rd Base = 5
- Shortstop = 6
- Left Field = 7
- Centre Field = 8
- Right Field = 9

Sign the bottom of the card.

White copy to the Umpire

Yellow to the other guys at the plate when you

Pink you keep (give it to your scorekeeper)

That's all you need to do for a lineup where you have the exact amount of players you need to play, this is generally not what you will be experiencing with the rosters the sizes they are but you never know, it happens a fair amount.

CALGARY MINOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION LINE-UP CARD								
STARTING LINE-UP			Category <u>U12 Div 1</u>					
<u>Foothills FURY</u>		<u>April 27, 2018</u>	<u>SBR 1</u>					
Team Name		Date	Opposing Team					
<input type="checkbox"/> ABC Rotation	<input type="checkbox"/> Universal Rotation	<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Substitution						
Batting Order	PLAYER'S FULL NAME (BLOCK LETTERS)			Uniform #	Defensive Position	ABC Designation	Bench Inning Order	
	1	<u>Jennifer Smith</u>			<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>		
2	<u>Rebecca Johnston</u>			<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>			
3	<u>Samantha Davis</u>			<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>			
4	<u>Hanna Reed</u>			<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>			
5	<u>Melissa Black</u>			<u>9</u>	<u>5</u>			
6	<u>Gretta Henke</u>			<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>			
7	<u>Ella Simons</u>			<u>21</u>	<u>6</u>			
8	<u>Taylor Michaels</u>			<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>			
9	<u>Abby Grey</u>			<u>17</u>	<u>8</u>			
10								
	PLAYER'S FULL NAME (SUBSTITUTES - If applicable)			Enters/Inn #	Uniform #	Defensive Position	ABC Designation	Bench Inning Order
A/11								
B/12								
C/13								
D/14								
E/15								
F/16								
G/17								
<u>Roger McKenzie</u>								
Coach Signature								
White - umpire			Yellow - opposition		Pink - home team			

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Line Up Card Universal Substitution

Universal Substitution is a fairly normal format that most coaches and tournaments will follow for players being substituted on the field. In this format, **EVERYONE bats**. You make your lineup with everyone listed in order, if you have 14 girls, you have a 14 person batting order then, choose wisely.

Check the Universal Rotation box at the top.

The difference now is that you need to ensure that no one sits out playing in the field a second time in a game if someone has not sat out yet. So, the lineup card you can see here, there are 12 players on the roster. The last column of the form is where you decree the Bench Inning Order, or simply, the inning when that player will sit out. Since there can only be 9 on the field at any one time, you will have 3 players on the bench each inning, it will take you 4 innings to have all 12 sit out at least once before you can sit someone again.

In community softball it is not something that you will probably see anyone checking but it is a good habit to keep yourself organized as far as substitutions, to plan and write them down to make your life easier during the game. Most coaches don't fill it out and in league play wins and losses are not overly important but when it comes to playoffs, if you have been doing this, you won't be flustered during the game and you can call out an opposing coach if you happen to notice they are not following the rules.

White copy to the Umpire

Yellow to the other guys at the plate when you meet

Pink you keep (give it to your scorekeeper)

Sign the bottom of the card.

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1	Jennifer Smith	10	3		2	
2	Rebecca Johnston	12	4		3	
3	Samantha Davis	7	1		4	
4	Hanna Reed	14			1	
5	Melissa Black	9	5		4	
6	Gretta Henke	2	7		2	
7	Ella Simons	21			1	
8	Taylor Michaels	5	2		3	
9	Abby Grey	17	8		3	
10	Sophia Underwood	33			1	
PLAYER'S FULL NAME (SUBSTITUTES - If applicable)		Enters/Inn #	Uniform #	Defensive Position	ABC Designation	Bench Inning Order
A/11	Beth Cooper		16	6		2
B/12	Ava Stevens		6	9		4
C/13						
D/14						
E/15						
F/16						
G/17						
<u>Roger McKenzie</u> Coach Signature						
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Line Up Card ABC Substitution

ABC Substitution is not as tricky as it seems, you need to know how to set this up at the older age groups. It is sometimes used in tournaments or at provincials at certain age groups, it's a good format as well because you can keep stronger players in the game in times when you might want them to play the whole game. BUT, it is advised in the rule book that you should rotate the players in this format from game to game to make it fair.

In this format, **EVERYONE bats**. You make your lineup with everyone listed in order, if you have 14 girls, you have a 14 person batting order then, choose wisely.

The A, B and C designations are not based on skill level but rather substitution only. "A" players will play defensively (in the field) every inning. "B" and "C" players will alternate each inning in the field.

The important thing to understand in this format is that depending on the amount of players that show up, the numbers of who can be A, B and C changes. So in the example, the lineup has 12 players, so 6 can be A and then 3 are B and 3 are C. There is a chart in your rulebook you can consult, I would dog ear the page or have a sticky note to mark the location.

Players designations can change after the game has started only in the event of things like injuries or late arrivals. The Umpire will help you out in these situations.

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6	Gretta Henke			2	7	B	
7	Ella Simons			21		C	
8	Taylor Michaels			5	2	A	
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Injuries, Late Arrivals, and other issues

If someone gets injured, you keep the batting order the same and just skip the player from that point on, mark the player with “IJ”, it will NOT be an automatic out. The umpire at the plate will advise what you should do, don't worry about it.

A late arrival, just add the player to the bottom of the lineup card and you may be required to alter the player designations on your lineup card, most league games this won't be a big deal, provincials it may. The umpire will help you out.

Check your rulebook for other issues that could arise, it will be rare that you have major issues, but if you do, everyone should be pretty good about it, if you run into a sticky coach that gives you a hard time, let your organization know and they can follow up with the league.

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