



Eastvale Girls Softball Select Policy

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The EGSA Select program is separate from the All-Stars. A player on a Select team cannot also play on an All-Star team simultaneously. EGSA will participate in the summer All-Star program as outlined by USA Softball.
2. The EGSA Select program will only be for the 8U, 10U, 12U, and 14U and HS divisions.
3. A maximum of three (3) teams per division are allowed, subject to approval by the Board of Directors.
4. All players MUST also participate in the recreational league and play a minimum of 75% of all league games to remain eligible for the EGSA select team.
 - Any player who fails to play the required number of games, which is assessed at the conclusion of the recreational league game schedule, will be dismissed from the EGSA Select team and may not be eligible to play for a year. (Two Select Seasons and One All-Star Season).
 - The EGSA Board of Directors may make exceptions for injuries, illness, or other justifiable circumstances. A player who fails to meet at least half of her weekly recreational team obligations, including games and practices, may be prohibited from participating in that week's EGSA Select team event. Issue to be raised by REC Manager
5. Participating in the Select team is an honor and requires a full commitment for the entire Select season. Players are expected to attend every practice, friendlies, or tournament play. Failure to do so may result in the player forfeiting their right to participate in future Select or All-Star teams.
6. For the purposes of this policy, a "week" will be defined as starting on Sunday and ending on Saturday
7. A player may not request to participate on a certain team. (i.e. gold/silver)

2. SEASON OF PLAY – SPRING

1. EGSA select team(s) may play from January of the current year to specified end date set by USA Softball which is usually March/April of the current year where teams MUST DISBAND.
2. Players may play in the Select Division that they currently play in for Spring REC or their age eligible division.
 - For example, if a player petitions to play up in 12U for the REC season. For Select, the player is eligible to play in the 12U division or the 10U division, which is their age eligible division.

- For Select assessments, if the player makes the 12U division, they may only attend Select assessments for 12U or 10U. They may **not** assess for both divisions.
3. Any player who fails to attend tryouts is not eligible to be selected for an EGSA Select Team.
 4. Once Spring Season of the current year commences, EGSA Select teams may only meet one day per week (i.e., either practice or game(s)).
 5. 14U division can only consist of players 14 years and under to participate in tournaments.

3. SEASON OF PLAY - FALL

1. EGSA select team(s) may play from August of the current year to no later than December 25th of the current year. All select teams MUST DISBAND by December 25th of the current year.
2. Players may play in the Select Division that they currently play in for Fall REC or their age eligible division.
 - For example, if a player petitions to play up in 12U for the REC season. For Select, the player is eligible to play in the 12U division or the 10U division, which is their age eligible division.
 - For Select assessments, if the player makes the 12U division, they may only attend Select assessments for 12U or 10U. They may **not** assess for both divisions.
3. Any player who fails to attend tryouts is not eligible to be selected for an EGSA Select Team.
4. Once Fall Season of the current year commences, EGSA Select teams may only meet one day per week (i.e., either practice or game(s)).

4. PLAYER SELECTION

1. To be eligible for an EGSA Select team, a player must be registered with the league to play in the current season as defined in the above Spring and Fall season
2. Open tryouts will be held for each division and will be open to any player that wishes to play on the EGSA Select team. There is no invitation or nomination needed.
3. EGSA will utilize a scoring rubric to assess the performance of each player. The scoring rubric will assess for fielding, throwing, hitting, accuracy, and speed. The scores from the Selection Committee will be averaged for a final total score, with the maximum score being 25. Any player who receives a score of 15 or higher, will have the opportunity to advance in the tryout process and participate in a scrimmage the following week of assessments. The scrimmage will not yield a score for any player. Players will play in the positions the Select Manager chooses. Note: A scrimmage will only take place based on the number of registrants for each division
 - Members of the Selection Committee will each create a roster. Players who are on all five rosters will make the final roster. Next, players who are on 4 out of the 5 rosters will make the final roster. This will continue until the roster has nine players.
 - The average score for players will be available for request up to 24 hours after the announcement of the teams.
 - Pitchers and catchers may only assess for Select, if they have assessed for REC. If a player

petitioned up, to pitch or catch for Select, the player must have assessed as a pitcher or catcher for the division in which they hope to play for Select.

- There will also be a separate scoring rubric for pitchers and catchers.

4. A Selection Committee will bear the burden of selecting the team rosters. The Selection Committee will consist of the Potential Select Managers, along with 2-3 Board Members. Should any of the Board Members on the committee have a child trying out for the team; the committee burden will fall to the next board member in line as appointed by the All-Star Commissioner (unless there is a conflict of interest).

- The Selection Committee may select 9 players per roster. The Select Manager may choose 2-3 additional players who made the eligible list.
- The Selection Committee will prioritize and focus on selecting the best 11-12 players to represent Gold. Then the Silver roster can be selected with the remaining eligible players and so on.
- If there is a division with two Gold or Silver teams, the Selection Committee will ensure the teams are made up equally with the best players.

a) USA Softball designates whether a team is considered Gold or Silver.

- The Selection Committee will attend Select try-outs strictly as assessors, without any involvement in conducting the actual drills, except for setting the agenda. They will then meet immediately to work together and finalize the rosters. It should be noted that the Gold team will be created without considering the impact on the Silver team, including key positions such as Pitchers and Catchers.
- Roster must be finalized amongst the Selection Committee and turned in immediately following the draft (same day) to the All-Star Commissioner (unless conflict of interest).
- If there are multiple EGSA Select teams, all teams shall be announced/notified at the same time.
- If a player removes themselves once the roster is submitted, that player will be ineligible to participate in Select and All-Stars for a year. (Two Select Seasons and One All-Star Season).

5. MANAGER SELECTION

1. To be eligible to manage a EGSA Select team a volunteer must meet all the following requirements:

- Must have a single season of experience as a manager or have been on the official coaching staff at EGSA in any division at any time.
- Good standing with the league (no disciplinary actions or unresolved issues with the board).

2. Applicants who meet the above criteria and are interested in a Fall/Spring EGSA Select Manager position must submit an application for consideration to the applicable interest list no later than the deadline set by the Board

3. Potential Select Managers will be invited to interview with the Board of Directors. After the

interviews are held, a vote will take place. Votes are confidential, and the candidate with the majority of votes is selected.

4. The Select Manager will be chosen and announced prior to try-outs.

5. A Board Member interviewing for a Select Manager role may not sit in on any interviews in the division they are applying for.

6. The EGSA Select manager must pass the USA Softball background check, JCSD Background Check and must be SafeSport Certified.

7. A Select team will consist of one manager and a maximum of three (3) coaches. The Select Manager will be able to select whomever he/she wants as an assistant coach, if they are in good standing with the league.

- The coaching staff must consist of adults at least 18 years old.

6. TEAM FEES / FUNDRAISING

1. Select is a self-funded program for both Spring and Fall. Each team is responsible for paying tournament entry fees, friendly fees, and umpire fees.

2. Upon selection, a fee will be collected from each player for the purchase of uniforms.

3. Fundraising is an option for each team, decided by the Manager and Team Mom. A minimum dollar amount raised will be set by the Manager/Team Mom that each player will need to meet so that all are paying equal funds. Anything raised over the set amount will go to a team pot to be used on the players and not on each player individually.

7. UNIFORMS

1. The league will provide EGSA jerseys to Select Players paid by the player.

- Only league issued jerseys may be worn during any games/friendlies. A team may not choose to pick a different EGSA jersey.
- Exceptions will be made only for themed tournaments.

8. GAMES/FRIENDLIES

1. Select teams may not host friendlies at their home fields without All-Star Commissioner approval (due to field availability issues and JCSD regulations) and without a two-week notice.

2. If hosting a friendly, the manager is responsible for providing their own umpire.

3. If hosting a friendly, the manager and team are responsible for field set up and shut down.

4. Select teams may only compete against and/or participate with USA Softball registered teams.

- Select teams may NOT play "A-Level" friendlies.
- A Select team or player that participates in a USA Softball "A", Gold or any NON-USA softball

travel type qualifying event shall NOT be eligible for participation in “B” Classification Championship Play.

5. Families of select players will be required to volunteer during any hosted EGSA tournaments.

9. SHORTAGE OF PLAYERS

1. If a player is lost due to sickness, injury, or otherwise, the EGSA Select team may select from players who attended EGSA Select Team tryouts that were not assigned to an EGSA Select team OR from the same division’s sister select team (i.e. from the gold or silver)

- The above is only allowed if a team cannot meet 9 – 10 players.
- Player must be age eligible for that division.
- Picked up player(s) will bat at the bottom of the line up and play outfield.

2. Under no circumstances, can a player who is not on the official roster practice with a team.