



FALL SELECT 2026 RULES

The Select program was created by USA Softball to give advanced players an opportunity to play at a higher level of competition while still participating in the recreational softball program.

Select allows players to compete against strong, All-Star-caliber teams within the Eastern District and other USA Softball of Southern California leagues. This provides players with more challenging games and valuable opportunities to grow their skills and confidence.

The goal is to offer a higher level of competition **without significantly increasing costs** and while maintaining the positive experience and integrity of the primary recreational league.

In short, Select is a great option for players who are ready for an extra challenge and want to compete at a higher level while continuing to be part of their recreational softball community.

Select is an option for the 8U through 14U divisions.

The Fall Select 2026 season is from September 1, 2026, thru December 31, 2026.

Section 1 - LEGS Select Committee

The Select Committee is comprised of the LEGS President, Executive Board, and Registrar.

Section 2 – Team Manager Selection

To be eligible to Manage a Select team, the applicant must have managed or coached within LEGS and/or has experience at the All-Star level.

1. The Manager applicant **MUST** be a previous Spring 2026 or current Fall 2026 LEGS rec league Manager.
2. Those interested in a Select Manager position must submit a Select Manager Application for Fall 2026 to the Player Agent no later than midnight, Tuesday, August 25th, 2026.
3. Assuming the existence of qualified candidates, the Select Committee will select and approve all Select Managers.
4. Each Manager will choose their A1 and support coaching staff once the team has been selected. All Managers and support staff **MUST** be background checked and cleared as provided under "Meghan's Law".

Section 3 - Player Participation Requirements

All Select players must be registered with LEGS in the Fall 2026 season per USA Softball requirements. Players must be in good standing to try out or participate in Select. Select players must commit to participating through the Fall 2026 recreational league ("rec ball") season as stated in Section 4.

Section 4 - Player Commitments

1. Select players **MUST** participate in the LEGS Recreational league practices and games.
2. Select players **MUST** simultaneously commit to participating in at least 75% of their Select team's activities.
3. Teams will be practicing and competing in friendlies and tournaments on Sundays during the 2026 Fall Select season.
4. In addition to the tournaments, coaches will hold practices on Sundays during the regular rec season.
5. At no time will participation on a Select Team come before the players commitment to their rec league team.
6. Any player who fails to adhere to the required time commitments may be dismissed from the Select team.

Section 5 - Player Selection

To be eligible for Select, a player must be registered with the league per USA Softball requirement for the Fall 2026 Rec ball season and adhere to the Rec ball participation requirements noted above.

1. Per LEGS rules, a player may play in a higher rec ball age division during the Fall season yet try out for their age-based division for Select.
2. There will be one tryout date for all eligible players who wish to be considered for the Select program. Additional tryout dates may be added at the discretion of the Select Committee.
3. Specific date(s) will be announced on the LEGS website and social media.
4. Any player who wants to be considered for a Select team **MUST** participate in the Select tryout.
5. A player **MUST** try-out and play per USA Softball age eligibility age chart/requirements.
6. A player may try out for a higher age division Select team. Attending an age division's try-out signifies that the player intends to play if offered a spot on that Select team. A player may **ONLY** try out for one age division group.
7. Players will be evaluated by the division's Select Manager, and the Select Committee.
8. Teams will **ONLY** be formed if we are able to form a **COMPETITIVE** team. For instance, we may only have one Select team per division depending on player talent. Some divisions may not have a team at all.

Please note: If your player makes a team and chooses not to accept the offer or quit, she will be ineligible to play Spring Select 2027 and All-Stars 2027 for LEGS.

Section 6 - Team Roster Formation

The Manager will select their roster based on the tryout evaluations and prior performance record.

1. The Select Committee shall review and approve each Select team roster.
2. The Select Committee's role is oversight to prevent egregious errors only.
3. Selected players will be notified that they have been placed on a Select Team by the Select Team Manager.
4. Players chosen for the Select Team are expected to make softball a priority over other extracurricular activities given the heavy time commitment required (75% rec ball and 75% select).
5. The final roster for a Select team may have up to twenty (20) players per USA Softball rules, however it is the desire of LEGS to have smaller rosters whenever possible, with a minimum of twelve (12) players.
6. Select teams and ALL activities MUST be approved by the Select Committee.

Section 7 - Adding and/or Replacing Players

The Select head coach has the right to request to add or replace players, adhering to the designated player maximum.

1. The Select Committee must consider the interests of the entire league when reviewing such requests, and the Committee's decision for a given player shall be final.
2. The Select Committee understands that a player's circumstances may change over the course of a season, such that a player may be forced to drop from the Select program due to injury or illness.
3. In the event of a unique situation involving placement or removal of a player that is not contained herein, the issue(s) shall be resolved by the LEGS Executive Board.

Section 8 – Select Team Activity

1. Entry into any friendly or tournament requires prior notification to the Select Committee.
2. Individual teams may fundraise to be used at the team's discretion.
3. Any Select Manager who is ejected from a game in a tournament has twenty-four (24) hours to present a statement of what occurred to the Executive Board.

Section 9 - Fees and Costs

There will be a fee of \$200.00 which will include three (3) tournament entries (up to a \$750 entry fee per tournament), one (1) Select game jersey and one (1) Select dri-fit.

The Select Teams will be self-funded in terms of umpire fees for friendlies, additional tournaments, or any other fees outside of tournament costs. Tournament balls, chalk, lights, field usage and uniforms will be paid for by the league. Uniforms are game jerseys only.

Fall Select 2026 Tournament Schedule – Funded by LEGS

- 1) Three (3) tournament entries based on availability.