



Dorchester Diamondbacks Girls Fastball 2017

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Welcome to the Dorchester Diamondbacks Girls Fastball 2017 season! We are looking forward to another great year of skill development, leadership, friendship and fun! We hope the information provided here will answer many of the questions you may have about the organization and our upcoming season.

Age groups

Mite - Born 2010, 2009, 2008

Squirt - Born 2007, 2006, 2005

Novice - Born 2004, 2003

Bantam - Born 2002, 2001

Midget - Born 2000, 1999

Junior - Born 1998, 1997, 1996

Registration Fees

Three separate cheques, all payable to Dorchester Girls Fastball are required.

1. **Registration Fee**, depending upon age group -see registration form (dated April 1, 2017). There is a late fee of \$50 for registrations after April 1, 2017. You will receive a ball and a team picture as part of your registration package.
2. **Uniform Fee** of \$50 for Mite/Squirt, anywhere from \$35-\$50 for older age groups, depending on uniform needs (dated April 1, 2017).
3. **Faith Bond Cheque** of \$100 (post dated to Oct 15, 2017).

Refund Procedure

A full refund will be issued, with a request emailed to girls@dorchestergirlsfastball.com, if received prior to the first game. After the first game, a 50% refund can be issued. If a player withdraws after June 1, no refund will be issued.

Volunteers and Faith Bond Cheques

We are a volunteer organization and rely on many people in order to provide the opportunity for our girls to play ball. A total of 4 hours of volunteer time per registered player is needed. A separate bond cheque of \$100, made payable to Dorchester Girls Fastball, and post dated to Oct 15, 2017, is required at the time of registration. This will be cashed after Oct. 15 if the requisite bond hours have not been met. Below is a list of some of the volunteer opportunities. Please email girls@dorchestergirlsfastball.com if you are interested in one of these positions.

Board of Director positions (i.e., Equipment Coordinator)

Coach

Assistant Coach

Team Manager

Team Equipment Manager

Team Scorekeeper

Social Media Coordinator (e.g., update website, Facebook)

Communications/Advertising Director

Year End Banquet Coordinator/Volunteer

Spiritwear Co-ordinator

Photo Day Organizer

Dorchester Fair Float Coordinator/Volunteer

Dorchester Dolphins Hockey 50/50 draw volunteers (Fall/Winter 2017)

Practice Assistants (at the discretion of the coach)

Coaches

Without the coach, there is no team so we are very appreciative of those who are willing to give their time to our kids so they may have the opportunity to play ball. If you are interested in coaching, please send an email by April 1, 2017 to girls@dorchestergirlsfastball.com, outlining your experience and/or qualifications; what team you are interested in coaching and why. The Executive will review all applications and notify successful applicants of their assignments by April 15, 2017. Thank you!

Equipment

The only required equipment to play fastball is a glove and a helmet with a mask. Both must be supplied by the player. There are various stores that sell helmets with masks (e.g., National Sports, Source for Sports). Home Run Sports

(Wellington Rd. South plaza) also has helmets and will provide a 10% discount if you mention that you are with the Dorchester Girls Fastball organization. Bats are supplied; however some people prefer to purchase their own. Players may also want to play in cleats. Catcher equipment is provided.

Uniform

The uniform package can be purchased at time of registration at a cost of \$50 for Mite/Squirt age. This includes a hat, shirt, pants, and socks. Older age groups will have a uniform fee of \$35 for hat, shirt and socks; \$50 if pants are needed. Girls may choose to wear pants purchased in previous seasons.

Spiritwear (optional)

We are pleased to offer an opportunity for players and parents alike to purchase additional team clothing. The order form is attached to this package. Credit card and cheques are accepted -NO CASH. Cheques are to be made directly to **WSC**. Please have all orders in to Kristen Van Horne by the deadline: **APRIL 1, 2017**.

Picture Day

More information on individual and team pictures will be coming later in the season. All players will receive a team picture as part of their registration package.

Getting Started

Your player's coach will contact you directly once teams have been finalized and diamond practice times have been reserved. This is usually by May 1 as the season starts the middle of May. Typically, teams have 1 practice and 1 game per week.

Contact Us

Please send any questions, comments or suggestions to the DDGFA president, Jason Jackson, at girls@dorchestergirlsfastball.com.

