



# R.S.P.A.

## Recreational Slo-Pitch Association

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## F.A.Q. - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR NEW PLAYERS

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Q. What is R.S.P.A.?

A. R.S.P.A. is a recreational, coed (7M+3F), adult (16+/18+) slo-pitch league.

Q. How much does it cost per player?

A. Individual player fees depend on each team - what sponsor they have, what they include, etc. But, RSPA is one of the least expensive leagues in the Toronto area. Player fees are usually around \$100.00-\$120.00 per player.

Q. When are the player fees due?

A. New players looking for a team do not pay their fees until they are assigned to a team. However, the league collects a \$20.00 deposit from each new player, which is forwarded to the team. This deposit is refunded if the player does not get a suitable team offer.

Q. How are players placed on a team?

A. We collect the list of teams looking for players and match them up to the list of players looking for a team - what level of ball; what nights you play; what nights you cannot play; what parks you prefer; etc.

Q. Why do I need to go to the open practices?

A. Open practices are so the League can rate the players. It also shows that you are committed to showing up.

Q. When are the open practices?

A. RSPA holds open practices for new players looking for a team every Sunday morning (weather permitting) at 10:00 am, starting Sunday, April 15, to May 13 at Lavington Park in Etobicoke (see map on web site); Thursday practices, every Thursday night, will start Thursday, April 19, 6:30 pm at Fleetwood Park; until Thursday, May 3;

Q. When will players be placed on a team?

A. The RSPA regular season starts Thursday, May 10, but open practices continue to Sunday, May 14; Some teams do not know if they will need players until the season starts.

Q. What are the chances you will get on a team?

A. RSPA almost guarantees all females and couples an offer from a team. About 60% of the male players will be placed on a team.

Q. What about a new team?

A. One of the things that RSPA does every year, is to form a new pick-up team from the players looking for a team.

Q. Where are the parks?

A. The league is based on the Etobicoke Mississauga border, and the parks for our league are very spread out.  
- see the map and the list of RSPA parks.  
We do give the teams the option to choose their own preferred parks and nights. Players select a team that plays in parks they prefer.

Q. What nights do we play on?

A. Games are played usually one night per week, Monday to Friday, with single games on unlit diamonds and single games or double-headers on lit diamonds, on any scheduled night. See the list of RSPA parks on the web site. We do give the teams the option to choose their own preferred parks and nights. Players select a team that plays on the nights they prefer.

Q. Do we always play on the same night?

A. No. Games may be played on different nights. We do give the teams the option to choose preferred parks and nights, and we will try to accommodate teams as much as possible.