Washington Township Girls Softball League (WTGSL)

FIELD SPECIFIC RULES

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Purpose

Some of the fields used by the WTGSL have obstructions on them ranging from swing sets to fences. The purpose of this document is to set forth some guidelines on how to handle these obstructions.

All field rules are in place as described, but are ultimately left up to the umpire to interpret these guidelines for ease of play and safety.

Church Field

- If the ball hits the tree above the 3rd base line the ball is dead. There is no change to the count and all the runners return to their original base.
- If the ball goes over the fence the batter is awarded a home run.
- In right-center field, if the ball rolls under the fence or into the bushes and is unretrievable, the fielder must motion to the umpire by putting both their arms up in the air. The umpire will then come out to verify the situation. If the ball is unretrievable the batter is awarded a double.

Trilby Park Field

• If the ball is hit over the paved path in left field or is hit and the ball rolls into the Gazebo area, the batter is awarded a double.

Greenwood

• If the ball is hit into the play equipment in deep right field, the batter is awarded a home run. If it rolls into the play equipment, the batter is awarded a double.

Hopewell – No obstructions, no special rules.

McGregor

• If the ball is hit on the fly, into or over any large pools of standing water in the outfield and can not be safely retrieved by an outfielder, then the fielder must motion to the umpire by putting both their arms up in the air. The umpire will then come out to verify the situation. If the ball is unretrievable the batter is awarded a double

Shoreland Park:

- **Field #1** No obstructions, no special rules.
- **Shoreland Field #2** No obstructions, no special rules.
- Shoreland Field #3 If the ball hits the tree in left field or the portion of the sidewalk in fair territory, the batter is awarded a single.

Westwood Park

- The field goal post located down 3rd base lane is completely out of play. The upright that is closest to the playing field will act as the foul pole line and will be in line with the bases per the field layout.
- If the ball hits high into the trees in left center field and becomes entangled in the branches, the ball is dead and the batter is awarded a home run.
- If the ball hits any of the tree trunks located in left center field, and the ball remains in play, the ball is live and the batter/base runners can advance at will. If the ball should hit one of the tree trunks and then go out of play or is unretrievable, the ball is dead and the runner is awarded a double and all other runners advance accordingly.