

SAN DIEGO PADRES SOFTBALL DAY PRE-GAME WARNING TRACK PARADE SATURDAY, APRIL 14TH, 2018

Attention San Diego Padres Softball Night Participants:

Here is all the information that you and your teams need to know about our pre-game parade on Saturday, April 14th. Please make sure that this information gets forwarded on to all participating teams.

Who Can Participate: Only softball players and coaches will be able to participate in the parade. Each team will be allowed two coaches. Coaches will be responsible for their team throughout the parade and until their teams are in their seats or paired back up with their parents. Due to the large number of attendees expected, we cannot include parents (other than coaches) in the parade.

Parade Starting Location: 7th Avenue between K Street and L Street. Participants will be staged outside the Western Metal Building and Padres representatives will be on hand for directions. Participants will stage on 7th Avenue southbound towards Tony Gwynn Drive. Please follow all traffic directions and cross the streets in designated crosswalks – 7th Avenue remains an active thoroughfare for vehicular traffic.

Parade Start Time: 4:50 p.m. Teams and coaches can start lining up at 3:30 p.m. Participants must be in line no later than 4:25 p.m. to participate in the parade. Please note friends and family will be able to access the seating bowl starting at 4:00 p.m. from the Gaslamp and East Village Gates. **Those looking to take photographs are encouraged to watch from Left or Right Field Lower Box for the best viewing point.**

Parade Route: The parade will start through the Western Metal Building breezeway entering the playing field at the Left Field foul pole. The parade will make its way around the outfield warning track exiting the playing field at the Right Field foul pole. Participants must remain on the warning track at all times and will not be allowed onto the grass.

The parade will end outside the gates of Petco Park (10th Avenue - between K & Park). Guest Services staff will be there to assist parade participants to the nearest available gates. All participants must have a ticket to enter the ballpark following the parade. Participants with non-scanned tickets will be directed to public gates and those with previously scanned tickets will be directed to specific "Re-Entry Gates." Parents needing to reconnect with their children can arrange with their coaches a spot to reconnect with the team inside the park, or they may go to the Park Blvd Re-Entry Gate to receive a stamp and meet their children outside of the gate (10th Avenue - between K & Park).

To get the large number of participants through the parade route in a timely manner, the Padres ask that coaches keep their team moving at all times. **Participants cannot stop on the field to take photos during the parade.**

What to Wear: All participants (including coaches) should attend the parade dressed in their uniform and tennis shoes. (No cleats will be allowed on the warning track.) Only full uniformed personnel will be allowed to participate in the Parade.

League/Team Banners: Team and/or League banners can be presented during the parade. Banners cannot contain any corporate or sponsor logos and must be able to be folded away during the game. Poles to hold up the banner will not be allowed.

Please Note: The closest restrooms while in line for the parade are located inside of the Padres Team Store. You will need to have your ticket scanned in, and then exit the Gaslamp Gate where you can get a re-entry stamp. From there you can rejoin your team and that stamp will allow you back into the game after the parade.