



# Rose City Softball Association

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## New Player Equipment Estimates

The below information is designed to help players budget for the 2007 softball season. These costs can vary significantly. ***In any case, consult your team manager or coach before making a major purchase.***

Type	Amount
• RCSA Membership Dues	\$55
• Softball Glove*	\$35 (and up)
• Softball Cleats* (no steel or removable cleats)	\$35 (and up)
• Uniform costs (miscellaneous items, not your jersey)	\$25 (and up)
• Misc. protective equipment (shin guards, mouth guards, etc)	\$10 (and up)
<hr/> <b>Total Regular Season Costs</b>	<b>\$170</b>
<b>Optional Items</b>	
• Softball Bat*	\$50 and up
<i>Most teams have "Team Softball Bats" for use by all members. Do NOT immediately buy any softball bat, as the RCSA follows ASA requirements and some may not be legal to use in our league.</i>	
• Batting Glove*	\$10 and up
• Tournament Costs: <i>Tournament Costs vary greatly. The further the travel, the more costly the tournament.</i>	
<b>Minimum</b> (if you drive and only 2 nights accommodation)	<b>\$150</b>
<b>Minimum</b> (if you fly and share a rental car)	<b>\$350</b>

Items marked with an asterisk (\*) may last for more than one season, resulting in lower costs for the following year.

### ***Tips for Purchasing Equipment***

1. You usually get what you pay for.
2. Sometimes you can find used equipment that is superior to similarly priced new equipment. (Play It Again Sports, or Craigslist.org)
3. Invest in a good glove that fits you comfortably - don't buy the first one you try on!
4. Invest in the best cleats you can afford. Good cleats can prevent many injuries, usually last longer, and feel better on your feet.
5. Online auctions, such as eBay.com, can be a very convenient way to find equipment, but make sure you know retail prices before you place bids.