

AMENDING BALL DIAMOND INFIELDS

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MATERIALS

60/40 Mix 30A Slab and clay composition (approx. 300 tons slag)

SPRING/FALL PREPARATION

Grade for proper drainage
* Rotovate to a depth of 6 inches
Scrape / grade / broom
Backfill and water base areas
* Infield remains too soft for play
Good time to establish poor turf areas
Application/broadleaf weed control
Aeration / fertilization / options

LEVEL OF SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED

Field priorities
Identify practice fields
Type of league usage

SLAG INFIELD: ADVANTAGES

Retains playing surface
Requires less daily maintenance
Rain games/playable
Overall player acceptance

DISADVANTAGES

Loose sharp surface
Mixture gets hard
Dusty
Players don't want to slide

HOMEPLATE/BATTER'S BOX

Labor intensive requirements
Artificial turf / Homeplate area
Provides uniform playing conditions

1990 diamond usage / softball
Combined leagues / 440+ games
16 diamonds / lighted
Additional usage / practice / picnics 2500 games

MANPOWER / EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS / DAILY MAINTENANCE

26 weeks/April-October
80 hrs per week x 26 weeks
2 tractors/implements