

Fair Play

Professional Women in Sports

A sports professional is someone who earns money to play a game. There are different leagues for men and women. Not all sports that have leagues for men also have leagues for women. For example, there is no professional women's football league.

There was an *All-American Girls Professional Baseball League*. It started in 1943, when many men had gone off to fight in World War II. The league was very popular. But it ended a few years after the war, in 1954.

Today, there are some professional women's sports leagues. And there are many great female athletes who play in other kinds of groups!

Pick a female athlete you love—or find one you never knew about. Then, draw your own trading card of her. On the back, write why you think she's a great athlete.

Name

Why she's a great athlete