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MYAS/Gopher State Baseball Department 2010 Umpire Policies and Procedures

The Minnesota Youth Athletic Services prides itself on having the best youth athletic programs in the nation. We will always strive to improve our events and do what it takes to ensure a great experience for our participants; our umpires make up a big part of this. It is very important that our game officials look good, show up ahead of time and umpire the game to the best of their ability. The following is a list of guidelines that the MYAS expects of our umpires for all league and tournament games.

Proper Dress Code:

Dress in an official umpire uniform. This includes umpire shirt, gray pants, black shoes, chest protector, shin guards and a mask. "Balloons/pillows" are not a suitable substitute for chest protectors. Any umpire who is not dressed in the appropriate attire for league or tournament play will not be paid for that game.

Looking professional is extremely important and should not be taken lightly.

Schedules:

All schedules can be viewed by each umpire from the Officials Corner on the MYAS website (www.myas.org) home page. By using your user name and password, which are issued by the MYAS, schedules and maps are easily accessible.

Cancellation of Assignment:

If you need to cancel an assignment for any reason, you must do so **at least 72 hours** prior to the event. If you cancel inside 72 hours, you are responsible for finding your own replacement. All cancellations and substitutes must be approved by your assignor.

Late Arrivals:

If you are, for an unexcused reason, late for a game you will be docked a 1/2-game fee. Any communication is better than none at all. If you are scheduled to work a 2-person game and you arrive late, the umpire who started the game will receive \$10.00 extra which will be paid by your assignor. If an umpire works a 2-person game alone, the assignor will pay \$20.00 extra for each game worked.

No-Shows:

If an umpire is an unexcused no-show, the following will apply:

1. The umpire must work one unpaid game for each game they were a no-show.
2. A full game fee will be paid to the replacement umpire.

*** A second offense in the same season will justify termination of the umpire's services in the future. ***

No Game:

If an umpire shows up at a site and there is no game, with no call from a league or tournament representative, the umpire will receive a full game fee. Every effort will be made to contact the umpire. Each umpire should contact their assignor if the game is in question due to weather related issues. Please be accessible the day of game.

Suspended Game:

If a game is suspended before completion the umpire will receive a 2/3-game fee.

If a suspended game must be made up by itself with no other game to follow, the umpire will receive a full game fee.

If the suspended game is "tacked onto" another game, the umpire will receive \$10.00 per inning. If the completion of the suspended game requires 4½ innings or more, a full game fee will be paid.

Forfeits:

You will be paid for any on-field forfeit. If the players and coaches want to play an exhibition game or a controlled scrimmage, please accommodate them. **You are being paid. If you refuse, this will be considered a no-show.**

Weather Cancellations:

Call (763) 781-2220 ext. 1719 for MYAS/USSSA administered tournaments or log onto www.myas.org.

Termination Policy:

If an umpire is terminated by an MYAS/USSSA approved assignor, they are also ineligible to work MYAS/USSSA events for any other assignor. An umpire may request a hearing with the MYAS/USSSA for possible reinstatement.

Tournament Directors:

The Tournament Director is in charge and has the authority to do whatever it takes to prevent or solve a problem. This includes removing or reassigning an umpire(s).

Coaches' Conduct:

Report any ejections or rude or blatantly unsportsmanlike coaches' behavior to the Tournament Director, who will handle the situation. **Use the Incident Report Form provided by the Tournament Director.**

Know the Rules:

Playing rules will be given to each umpire at the beginning of each MYAS/USSSA tournament and league rules can be found at www.myas.org. **Each umpire is responsible for checking in at Tournament Headquarters before their first game and knowing what rules are being used for each and every game!**

Proper Mechanics:

Use proper NFHS approved mechanics. Don't be "lazy" just because it is youth baseball. Every game is an important game for these players no matter what level of play.

Injured Players:

Let the coach and/or on-site trainer handle injured players. Do not assist the player yourself. Get help!

Game Balls:

Game balls for tournaments and post season play will be provided by the MYAS/USSSA Tournament Director.

No Jewelry:

Lock it up and store it somewhere safe. Don't ask the scorer or timer to watch your personal possessions. Players must remove any jewelry prior to participation, and the same goes for the umpire. Look professional.

Be Careful What You Say:

Keep your comments about players, coaches and spectators to yourself. Verbalize only positive comments.

Be professional in all situations.



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2010 Umpire Assignor Contacts and Game Fees

<u>Umpire Association</u>	<u>Assignor</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>E-Mail</u>
Area 728 Umpires	Dan Feigum	612-802-5661	dfeigum1@reoplastics.com
BT Umpires (South Metro)	Gary Gibson	612-644-0541	btumpires@comcast.net
East Side Umpires	Marc Fioravanti	612-961-1783	mfior@msn.com
East Side Umpires	Allan Wagner	612- 221-2913	atwagne2003@yahoo.com
Independent Officials Assoc.	Jeff Larson	612-708-1385	ioa@comcast.net
Mahtomedi Umpires	Jeff Malmer	651-736-5610	jmalmer@mmm.com
Northern Dakota Officials	Brian Monahan	651-442-8921	brianwmonahan@yahoo.com
Rum River Umpires (Travel)	Larry Emmerich	763-218-2503	emmerichlarry@aol.com
Rum River Umpires (In house)	Bob Dreyer	763- 218-5244	rjdreyer@mac.com
Western Wisconsin Umpires	Bob Pechacek	715-307-2706	rapech@presenter.com

2010 Umpire Fees

	MYAS Registered and MSHSL Certified	MYAS Registered	Non-Registered and Non-Certified
<u>Gopher State Baseball League</u>			
GSBL 13-19U league games (1 umpire)	\$52.00	\$51.00	\$45.00
GSBL 17-19AAA (2 umpires)	\$57.00	\$56.00	\$50.00
<u>Gopher State Spring Training Series</u>			
GSSTS 10-15U tournaments (1 or 2 umpires)	\$45.00	\$44.00	\$40.00
<u>USSSA State Tournament, GSTC and Legion</u>			
Tournament game 10-19U (1 or 2 umpires)	\$45.00	\$44.00	\$40.00
Eagle Eye Wood Bat Tourney (Legion)	\$50.00	\$49.00	\$45.00
<u>Gopher State Fall Baseball League</u>			
GSFBL 10-12U league games	\$45.00	\$44.00	\$40.00
GSFBL 13-19U league games	\$50.00	\$49.00	\$45.00