



Steve Rollins
State Commissioner
USA Softball of Utah
443 S. 725 E.
Layton, UT 84041
(801) 546-2810

February 23, 2023

Clarification / Implementation of Team Umpire

Coach / Team Administrator,

There has been considerable discussion concerning the Team Umpire and its implementation, and I want to emphasize that this program is **not mandatory** and is intended to be a partnership in providing tournament play for the girls.

First, the intent of the Team Umpire program is to help make sure that the number of teams that can participate in any given tournament are only limited by the available fields and not because of the lack of Registered Umpires.

Second, the Team Umpire program will only be utilized for a tournament if enough Registered Umpires are not available to conduct the tournament. If enough Team Umpires are also not available, only then would Teams that don't have a designated Team Umpire be refunded their entry fee for that tournament, but the desire is to never have this happen.

Third, if the Team Umpire program is being utilized for a tournament, a Team's designated Team Umpire will not be assigned to officiate a game that their Team is involved in or any game that is in the same pool or part of the bracket that their Team is in. The Team Umpire will also not be assigned to officiate a game that is being played while their designated Team is playing either.

Registration of Team Umpire

I would encourage the Team Administrators to email their Team Umpire Name, Phone Number, Email address and their Team's Name to myself no later than March 9, 2023. I will contact all the Team Umpires to get them oriented and bases only trained and registered as a USA Softball Umpire. The at cost registration fee is not an immediate out of pocket expense and will provide them with medical and liability insurance while they are umpiring.

Yours in Softball,

Steve Rollins

State Commissioner

USA Softball of Utah

Phone: 801-725-3664

Email: AsaStever@Hotmail.com