

Jericho Baseball Umpires Manual - 2024

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

Umpires are utilized in Majors, Minors, and Special Teams games throughout the regular season (April – June) and into the off season (July – September). Umpires will work games primary at Carnarvon Park, Jericho Field (Locarno) and Trimble Park (West Point Grey).

ELIGIBILITY

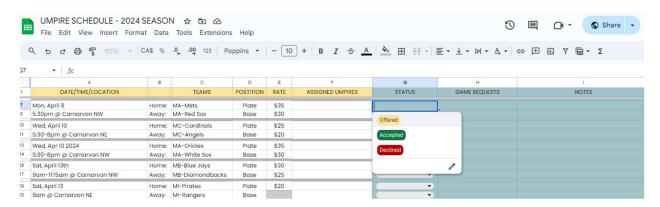
Our umpire program is open to youth aged 11 and up. We will run an umpire clinic at the start of each season (early April). All new umpires are required to attend. Uniforms and season specific information will be distributed at this time.

SCHEDULING

Umpires are expected to keep on top of their assigned games. Shifts must be accepted or declined in a timely manner.

<u>UMPIRE SCHEDULE</u> We will be managing the umpire schedule with Google Sheets this season (same as 2023). This link to this document has been emailed to all active umpires.

Monthly Schedule



To view games and request a shift:

- Go to the UMPIRE SCHEDULE
- Use the tabs at the bottom of the sheet to select the monthly schedule that you'd like to view.
- Enter your name in the "GAME REQUESTS" column for the game/position that you're interested in.
- You'll receive an email with the game(s) that you're being offered. Once you get that email, please go to the "STATUS" column and either "Accept or Decline" the shift you've been offered, using the drop-down menu.
- If you need to cancel your shift please email admin@jerichobaseball.com as soon as possible so that your shift can be re-assigned.

I cannot guarantee that you'll get all the games that you request but will do my best to accommodate. I will try to distribute games evenly amongst all umpires.

I encourage you to list your name for all games that interest you, even if there are already umpires who have either been assigned that game or have requested it. We'll contact you if we that umpire cancels and we need to fill the shift.

NEW umpires can work Minors and Majors C games. Once new umpires have a decent number of games under their belt they'll be invited to umpire other games as well.

Experienced umpires can work Majors A, B, and C, as well as Special Teams (All Stars, Selects, etc.) games. Experienced umpires are also welcome to work Minors games, but priority for those games will go to the new umpires.

Please do not request games in divisions to which you belong (if you're a Majors B player this season, please do not request Majors B games)

We will do our best to provide umpires with sufficient notice of schedule changes, but at times, games will be cancelled and rescheduled with short notice due to weather, etc..

COMPENSATION

Umpires will be paid once a month by e-transfer. Payment schedule is as follows: April games will be paid out May $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ May games will be paid out June $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ June games will be paid out July $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ July games will be paid out August $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ August games will be paid out September $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ September games will be paid out October $1^{st} - 5^{th}$

Payments are as follows:

DIVISION	PLATE	BASE
Majors A	\$35	\$30
Majors B	\$30	\$25
Majors C	\$25	\$20
Minors	\$20	-
11/12's Special Teams	\$35	\$30
9/10's Special Teams	\$30	\$25
7/8's Special Teams	\$20	-

If someone cancels last minute or is a no show and you are left as the solo umpire, we ask that you take on the plate umpire position and will be compensated as such. In this event, we will ask one of the team's coaches or parents to step up and volunteer as the base umpire.

Occasionally games are cancelled due to weather or other extenuating circumstances. We do our best to give you as much notice as possible. If you are notified less than 1.5 hours before the scheduled game start time, we will pay you your expected rate.

TRAINING/RESOURCES

New umpires will be expected to attend a suitable umpire clinic at the start of the season. We have additional resources for all of our umpires in the UMPIRES tab at www.jerichobaseball.com

- 1. Visit https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/description-of-the-basic-six-field-mechanics/ to review basic call mechanics.
- 2. Visit https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/plate-mechanics-explaining-slot/ to review the proper stance for calling balls and strikes at the plate.

Additional Resources
https://www.littleleague.org/umpires/umpire-registry/training-materials/
Slot Stance at Plate
Basic Field Mechanics
Baseball Rule Myths

Interactive Online Rules Quiz

UNIFORMS/GEAR

Umpires will be issued a shirt at the start of the season (if they haven't already been issued one in previous years). These shirts are to be returned at the end of the season. Umpires are asked to wear this shirt to each scheduled game along with black pants. A plate brush and umpire indicator, as well as umpire protective gear will be available in the equipment bins at each field. Please ensure that you return these to the bins immediately after your game so that the next umpire has access to them. If you notice any supplies missing or damaged, please reach out to admin@jerichobaseball.com immediately so that we can replace items.

Equipment Bin Codes

• Carnarvon, Trimble and Jericho - 5058

CONDUCT

We take player, parent, coach and umpire conduct very seriously. We have expressed to our coaches that the umpire has the final call. Please contact admin@jerichobaseball.com if you have experienced any unruly, unfair, or inappropriate treatment by a parent, coach or player at any point in time.

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS?

If you have any questions, please send an email to Tanja Reinkens, League Administrator, admin@jerichobaseball.com.