



# 2025 Umpire Program

Umpire / Family Orientation Meeting  
January 11, 2025



# Welcome!

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# Program Overview

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The Roseville Girls Softball Umpire Program is open to all youth in 5th grade or older. The umpire program is an educational program designed to teach life skills to all participants. Consistent with our recreational philosophy, the umpires in this program are part of the League's efforts to support youth development. Most of our youth umpires are current and/or former players in the League, many of whom are currently playing at the high school level.

# Training & Certification Dates

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## Training Dates

- January 11: Umpire Orientation & Training (Session 1)
- January 18: Umpire Training (Session 2)
- January 25: Umpire Training (Session 3)
- February 1: Umpire Training (Session 4)
- February 8: Umpire Training (Session 5)
- February 15: Umpire Training (Session 6)

## Certification Date(s)

- February 22: Umpire Certification
- March 1: Umpire Certification  
*(makeup only if weather issues)*

## Practice Games

- March 8: Practice Games





# Training & Certification Process

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Skills Overview

What does certification look like

Study tips



# Season Info

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The Spring season runs from February through May with games scheduled from March through May.

Notable dates include:

- March 8: Practice games
- March 28-30: 10u Mid-Season Tournament
- April 12-13: 12u & 14/16u Mid-Season Tournaments
- March 10 – May 17: Regular season games

# Equipment

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## ***Indicator***

Umpires will need to purchase their own indicator. These can be found at any sporting goods store or online retailer.

## ***Timer***

Umpires should purchase their own timer (timer should be a basic stove timer that times down and alerts once time has expired) and carry it with them at all times. *It is difficult to use your cell phone or a watch if it does not have a clock down with an alarm at expiration.*

## ***Umpire Tee Shirt***

Umpire tee shirts are **required**. If you don't have one, you can purchase one on the RGS website.

## ***Sweatshirt (optional)***

Umpire sweatshirts are available for purchase on the RGS website. An umpire sweatshirt is the only outer clothing allowed to be worn OVER your umpire shirt; otherwise, your umpire shirt will have to go over your non-umpire sweatshirt when working games.

## ***Safety Equipment (league supplied)***

Safety equipment (chest plate, face mask, etc) will be supplied by RGS. This equipment is stored in the equipment boxes onsite at all RGS fields.

# Uniforms

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## ***Shirts***

- RGS umpire program shirt (can be purchased through RGS)
- RGS umpire program sweatshirt (optional)
- All umpires **MUST** wear their RGS umpire shirt sweatshirt. Uniforms are to be clean, free of stains, rips, or tears.

## ***Pants/Bottoms***

- ***Plate Umpires:*** Pants must fall below the knee and must be gray, black, or navy blue. NO jeans, softball pants, or leggings or other tight-fitting bottoms may be worn. Plate umpires are not permitted to wear shorts for their assignments.
- ***Base Umpires:*** may wear shorts that are knee length or pants. If shorts are shorter than knee length, leggings or other such bottoms may be worn underneath to reach or fall below the knee.
- Note: RGS recommends umpires bring pants to all games in case of a change in assignment.

## ***Shoes***

- Dark colored, closed-toed shoes with good tread.
- Vans, slippers, flip flops or other such footwear is inappropriate for umpiring.
- Molded or rubber cleats are allowed.



# Roles & Responsibilities

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Umpire-in-Chief (UIC)

Assistant Umpire-in-Chief (AUIC)

Senior

Mid-Senior

Junior



*Note: Designations are based on skill level and readiness, not the length of time you have been in the program.*

# Illness & Injury

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In the case of an illness, it is ultimately the responsibility of the umpire to secure coverage but always contact the UIC/AUICs immediately.

## ***Coverage***

- All replacements or switches are to be reported to the UIC/AUICs.
- Replacements **MUST** be qualified to work that position; the qualifications of each umpire are found on the umpire roster.
- Any non-Senior umpire looking for a replacement cannot give the game to a Senior without approval from the UIC.

# Program Expectations

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Program Knowledge

Conduct & Behavior (on and off field)

Sportsmanship & Support

Communication & Accountability



# Pay Information

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| Senior Umpires who attend National Umpire School (NUS) | \$65 |
| Adult & Senior Umpire (USA Certified)                  | \$60 |
| Mid-Senior Umpires (USA Certified)                     | \$55 |

| Division | With Partner | Solo |
|----------|--------------|------|
| 14u      | \$35         | \$70 |
| 12u      | \$30         | \$60 |
| 10u      | \$25         | \$50 |
| 8u       | \$20         | \$40 |
| 6u       | \$10         | n/a  |

## Bonus Program

For non-Senior Umpires, a bonus of \$45 will be given at the end of the season for all junior umpires with a minimum of 10 games worked (excluding tournaments) provided the post-game report was completed for each game.

The bonus is awarded in full for umpires that worked their assigned games and did not have any “no-shows” during the season.



# Payroll Schedule

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## Spring Season Schedule

Payroll is run monthly

- Week 1-4: Pay period end date Sunday, March 30
- Week 5-9: Pay period end date Sunday, April 27
- Week 10-12: Pay period end date Sunday, May 18
- Bonus & Adjustments (if needed): Saturday, May 31

## Needed Items

- Completed W9





# Scheduling

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Online Scheduling: TeamSideline app

Setting Availability

Schedules released on?



# Game Assignments

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Umpires are expected to:

- Arrive at the field 15 minutes before the start of the game.
- Wear league-issued shirts and equipment during all games.
- Inspect the field and player equipment to be used in the game (bats, helmets, etc.).
- Conduct a manager/coach meeting at home plate before game time to review local rules and answer any questions.
- Ensure a smooth flow of the game and make all calls and rule interpretations necessary during game play.

# Post Game Report

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At the end of each game, each umpire is required to complete a post-game report.

- Confirms the game was worked (for payroll purposes)
- Report an any issues

*Its really important to highlight any issues that arise during a game, even if they do not escalate to the point of needing a disciplinary committee. This can include warnings given, parent conduct, etc.*

How to complete a postgame report

# Incident Reporting

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## Spectator Conduct

It is the duty of all individuals associated with RGS to recognize that our umpires are young individuals doing their very best.

All participants must keep this in mind during games conduct themselves in a positive manner.

RGS members and/or spectators should never approach an umpire after a game to discuss calls.

It is the responsibility of the team Managers and Coaches to address any unruly conduct during a game and address any issues that might interfere with the enjoyment of the game for others.

If any issues arise, contact the UIC/AUICs immediately.

RGS Incident Report (online)

# Questions?

More Info at: [www.rosevillegirlssoftball.org](http://www.rosevillegirlssoftball.org)

Contact: [uic@rosevillegirlssoftball.org](mailto:uic@rosevillegirlssoftball.org)

*Thank You!*