



2010 UMPIRE ANNOUNCEMENT

GENERAL

- Umpires must be at least **14 years old** on January 1, 2010 to be eligible to work PAC games during the 2010 Spring or Fall seasons.
- A PIU Association fee of \$25 is required to work PAC games. Its payable at either the PIU Umpire Clinic or PIU Pre-Season Meeting that you choose to attend.
- PAC will reimburse PIU umpires for their PONY, ASA, and IHSA umpire registration fees after you have worked a minimum of 5 PAC games at any level or combination of baseball and/or softball.
- Umpires **under 16 years of age** are required to have a current Illinois Work Permit prior to accepting any assignments. If you will not be at least **16 years of age** before Opening Day, you need a permit. A Letter of Intent will be available at all the PIU Training events to facilitate acquiring your permit from one of the local high schools.
- Game assignments are handled through the Self-Assign feature of the Arbiter scheduling site.

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- 2010 Game Fees

# OF UMPIRES	8U, MAVERICK, & PINTO	10U & MUSTANG	12U & BRONCO	14U & PONY	16U & COLT	18U & PALOMINO
2	22	26	35	40	45	50
1	33	39	53	60	68	75

- You'll be required to have a valid W-9 on file with the PAC Treasurer prior to any check being issued.

UNIFORMS

- Baseball Primary Shirt Color: Navy
- Softball Primary Shirt Color: Powder Blue
- The PIU patch requirement has been eliminated, but your assigned PIU umpire number must be affixed securely on the right sleeve of your umpire shirts.
- Gray umpire or dress-type slacks, a black leather belt, black socks, and black athletic shoes are mandatory. An umpire ball bag must be worn when working the plate. Steel toed shoes and a cup-type athletic supporter are highly recommended when working the plate.
- A black or navy PIU umpire hat is to be properly worn at all times when you are in uniform at or on the fields.

RANK DESIGNATIONS

- All game assignments are based on an umpire's Rank. The chart below shows how the Rank corresponds to the various PAC Divisions. Umpires may work games at or below the Divisions corresponding to their posted Rank.
- New umpires will be assigned a Rank of 500, unless previous experience warrants a different Rank.
- Umpires must be at least 3 years older than the players in the Division(s) they are officiating. The umpire's age will be as of January 1st of the upcoming Spring season and will apply to both the Spring and Fall seasons. The player's age is determined by the applicable PAC Rules.

SOFTBALL DIVISION	RANK	BASEBALL DIVISION
8U & 10U	500	PINTO/MAVERICK
10U TRAVEL & 12U	400	MUSTANG
12U TRAVEL	350	MUSTANG TRAVEL
-----	300	BRONCO
14U	250	BRONCO TRAVEL
14U TRAVEL, 16U, & 16U TRAVEL	200	PONY & PONY TRAVEL
18U & 18U TRAVEL	150	COLT
-----	100	COLT TRAVEL & PALOMINO TRAVEL

RATING SYSTEM

- Designed to quantify an umpires Association participation and readiness to be promoted to the next higher Rank.
- To be eligible for promotion an umpire must have, as a minimum:
 - Appropriate Umpire Rating Points (see Min Rating Scale chart on page 3)
 - Attended one Umpire Clinic (current year).
 - Attended one Rules 101 session (current year).
 - Attended one Monthly PIU Monthly Meeting (current year).
 - Primary Umpire Assigner recommendation.
 - Recommendation from two PIU Umpire Supervisors (other than Primary Assigner).

WAYS TO EARN POINTS	
5	ATTENDANCE AT RULES 101 SESSION
5	ATTENDANCE AT UMPIRE CLINIC
12	ATTENDANCE AT BOTH UMPIRE CLINICS
20	ATTENDANCE AT ALL 6 MONTHLY PIU MEETINGS
15	ATTENDANCE AT 5 OF 6 MONTHLY PIU MEETINGS
10	ATTENDANCE AT 3 OF 6 MONTHLY PIU MEETINGS
5	ATTENDANCE AT 1 OF 6 MONTHLY PIU MEETINGS
1	EACH GAME WORKED AT CURRENT RANK (MAX 50 PER YEAR)
5	IHSA, ASA, PONY UMPIRE REGISTRATION (MAX 5 PTS.)

MINIMUM RATING SCALE				
(POINTS REQUIRED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR PROMOTION TO THE NEXT LEVEL)				
Pts	LOWER RANK	LOWER LEVEL	HIGHER RANK	HIGHER LEVEL
45	500	PINTO/MAVERICK/8U/10U	400	MUSTANG/10UT/12U
50	400	MUSTANG/10UT/12U	350	MUSTANGT/12UT
55	350	MUSTANGT/12UT	300	BRONCO
60	300	BRONCO	250	BRONCOT/14U
65	250	BRONCOT/14U	200	PONY/PONYT/14UT/16U/16UT
70	200	PONY/PONYT/14UT/16U/16UT	150	COLT/18U/18UT
75	150	COLT/18U/18UT	100	COLTT/PALOMINOT

PIU SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
1/17/2010	RULES 101 CLASS	2:00-5:00	PCHS FRESHMAN CAFETERIA
1/31/2010	RULES 101 CLASS	2:00-5:00	PCHS FRESHMAN CAFETERIA
2/28/2010	BASIC UMPIRE CLINIC	11:30-5:00	PSHS FIELD HOUSE
3/14/2010	BASIC UMPIRE CLINIC	11:30-5:00	PCHS FIELD HOUSE
3/28/2010	PRE-SEASON MEETING	2:30-5:00	PCHS FRESHMAN CAFETERIA
3/29/2010	PRE-SEASON MEETING	6:30-9:00	PCHS FRESHMAN CAFETERIA
4/18/2010	PIU MONTHLY MEETING	7:00-8:00	OTTAWA ST. PICNIC AREA
5/16/2010	PIU MONTHLY MEETING	7:00-8:00	OTTAWA ST. PICNIC AREA
6/20/2010	PIU MONTHLY MEETING	7:00-8:00	OTTAWA ST. PICNIC AREA
8/15/2010	PIU MONTHLY MEETING	7:00-8:00	OTTAWA ST. PICNIC AREA
9/19/2010	PIU MONTHLY MEETING	7:00-8:00	OTTAWA ST. PICNIC AREA
10/10/2010	PIU MONTHLY MEETING	7:00-8:00	OTTAWA ST. PICNIC AREA

Basic Umpire Clinic (2/28 & 3/14)

(Umpires with 5 years or less experience must attend this session at one of the clinics and should bring a mask & indicator (if available).)

- 11:30-12:00 Registration (30 min)
- 12:00-12:30 Welcome & Introductions (30 min)
- 12:30-1:00 Communication (30 min)
- 1:00-4:00 Breakout Sessions (3 – 1 hour sessions)
 - Plate Mechanics
 - Field Mechanics
 - Strike Zone/Balks/Illegal Pitches
- 4:30-4:45 Field Presence (15 min)
- 4:45-5:00 Wrap-Up (15 min)

Rules 101 Meeting (1/17 & 1/31)

(Umpires with 5 years or less experience must attend this session.)

- Baseball/Softball Rules Review (2 hours)
- PAC Rules (1 hour)

Pre-Season Meeting (3/28 & 3/29)

(All umpires must attend one of these sessions. Date and time for second meeting are *TBA*)

- Review PIU Umpire Manual (1 hour)
- PAC Handbook Topics (1 hour)
 - Matrix Review
 - Game Timing
 - Dugout Restrictions Clarified
 - Mustang Stealing Rule
 - Pinto/Maverick Possession Rule
 - Softball Pitching Regulations
- Rules 101 Test Review (30 min)

PIU Monthly Meetings

- Primarily designed for newer umpires, these will serve as rules & mechanics reviews, and play/situation discussions during the season.

REQUIRED FOR ALL UMPIRES

- **All** umpires should send the information requested below to Kevin Brown, the PIU Administrator, at golferkab@comcast.net.
 - **New Umpires**
 - Full Name
 - Home Address (Including city and zip code)
 - E-Mail Address
 - Home Phone Number
 - Cell Phone Number
 - Age (as of 1/1/2010)
 - Birth Date
 - The date(s) of the Rules 101 you will attend.
 - The date(s) of the Umpire Clinic you will attend.
 - **Returning Umpires**
 - PIU Umpire number (if known).
 - Any changes to your personal information listed in the Arbiter (see the list above for reference).
 - Any missing personal information (see the list above for reference).
 - The date(s) of the Rules 101 you will attend (if required).
 - The date(s) of the Umpire Clinic you will attend (if required).
- **If you have questions, please e-mail Tim Lucas at tlucas@usg.com.**