



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Agenda

- Catawba Nuggets - Pitcher With One Compression Sleeve
- Training Segment - How Not To Take A Tag Play At The Plate
- How To Self Assign Scrimmages
- How To Take the SCHSL Test
- Administration Reminders
- Catawba Umpires – Structure and Frustrations
- What to Do
- Questions/Comments



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Catawba Nuggets – NFHS Rules
 - 2023 Baseball Exam Question: Team A's pitcher goes to the mound to begin his warm-up throws. The umpire notices that he is wearing a dark compression sleeve on his pitching arm that extends to his wrist but does not have one on his other arm. Can a pitcher wear one compression sleeve?



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Catawba Nuggets – NFHS Rules
 - 2023 Baseball Exam Question: Team A's pitcher goes to the mound to begin his warm-up throws. The umpire notices that he is wearing a dark compression sleeve on his pitching arm that extends to his wrist but does not have one on his other arm. Can a pitcher wear one compression sleeve?
 - This is legal as long as the pitcher's sleeve is black or another solid dark color.



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Catawba Nuggets –2016 NFHS Baseball Approved Rulings and Interpretations
 - SITUATION #11: The pitcher has a white compression sleeve that extends only to this elbow on his (a) pitching arm; (b) non-pitching arm; or (c) both arms. RULING: This is legal in (a), (b), and (c). Compression sleeves worn by a pitcher that extend only to the elbow may be white or gray, or a solid black or dark color. Compression sleeves may be worn on one arm (pitching or non-pitching) or both arms. (1-4-2)
 - SITUATION #12: The pitcher is wearing a long dark black compression sleeve to his wrist on one arm and a white compression sleeve that extends only to the elbow on the other arm. RULING: This is legal provided the plate umpire does not judge this to be distracting to a batter. (1-4-2; 6-2-1f)



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Training Segment:
 - How Not To Take A Tag Play At The Plate



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- How Not To Take A Tag Play At The Plate





Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- How Not To Take A Tag Play At The Plate
 - Top 2 R1 & R2, Play on R1 at the Plate
 - [Video Link](#)



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- How To Take A Tag Play At The Plate
 - General Guidelines
 - Everything Starts At The Point Of The Plate
 - Read The Play
 - Move To Your Spot
 - 3B Line Extended, Outside The Batter's Box
 - One Of The Few Times CUA Will Recommend You To Be A Spot Umpire
 - NOTE: Advanced Umpires Will Not Be A Spot Umpire. They Will Continue To Read The Play And Adjust Their Position



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- How To Self Assign Scrimmages
 - How To Document on the Webpage
 - [Documents & Links | Catawba Umpires](#)



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- How To Take the SCHSL Test
 - Test Begins Feb 1st and Ends Feb 28th
 - Must score 70 or above to umpire SCHSL games
 - How To Document on the Webpage
 - [Documents & Links | Catawba Umpires](#)



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Catawba Umpires – Structure and Frustrations
 - Email Address: Catawba.Umpires@gmail.com
 - This is our organization's email
 - This is NOT a private email to Gary Keller or Greg Chance
 - All emails are read by both Gary and Greg
 - One of us will respond to your email, both of us have read it, discussed it and agree upon the response
 - Frustrations
 - We are a growing organization
 - We need our umpires to help themselves
 - We provide training, documentation, how to documents, meeting notes, rules, videos, etc.
 - We strive to make the processes as easy as we can for you to follow



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- SCHSL Umpire Registration

- New Officials - If you are new to the SCHSL, please use the following link to begin the registration process:

<https://app.arbitersports.com/registration/official/register/3335?org=455&role=3>

- Returning SCHSL Officials
- Log Into Arbiter
- Choose SCHSL Central Hub
- Click On Registration Near Top In Black Ribbon
- Follow Steps How To Doc



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- 2023 Catawba Umpires Booking Fee \$80
 - Due 2/15/23 After 2/15/23 - \$90
- How to Pay CUA Booking Fee
 - USPS Mail To:
 - Catawba Umpires Association
 - Attn: Gary Keller
 - 2536 Sturgis Road
 - Rock Hill, SC 29730
 - (Send check or money order - DO NOT SEND CASH)
 - Venmo: Gary-keller-9
 - Apple Pay: 704-506-9520
 - PayPal: gary-keller@outlook.com
 - Select “Sending to a Friend” to avoid PayPal fees



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- **Umpire Checklist - Items To Be Completed**
 - SCHSL Registration And Credit Card Payment
 - Catawba Booking Fee
 - Independent Contract Form is Completed And Submitted
 - Buy Needed Uniform Items
 - Take Online Test – February 1-28, 2023

- **Cost - \$150+**
 - Catawba Hat - \$25
 - SCHSL Registration - \$45
 - CUA Booking Fee \$80 or \$90 after 2/15/23
 - Uniforms, Shoes, Equipment - \$Unknown



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

SCHSL Registration Fee Paid



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

Catawba Booking Fee Paid



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Things to Do:
 - Check your equipment and uniforms before the season starts
 - Always carry equipment, uniforms, medications, etc. in your vehicle at all times
 - Communicate with your partner
 - No later than the day before a game
 - Arrival Time, Parking, Uniform, etc.
 - Conduct a pregame at the game site
 - Fair/Foul, Fly Balls, Rotations, Responsibilities, etc.
 - Entrance and Exit Plans – Enter on Visitor's side, Exit Winner's side whenever possible
 - Enter Together and Leave Together
 - Stay away from the concession stand before, during, after and between games
 - If you need water during the game, ask the home team. If you need to eat, bring it with you and eat at your vehicle



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Things to Do:
 - Do not talk excessively with the coaches, fans or players
 - Be cordial Always Professional Never rude
 - Do not initiate any conversations
 - Keep any conversations short and to the point
 - Shut down bench jockeying/unsportsmanlike conduct
 - Do not allow a pitcher to wear a white or gray glove
 - If you issue a warning or have an ejection
 - Call Greg first. If no answer leave a voice mail
 - Call Gary second. If no answer leave a voice mail
 - One of us will get back to you
 - Conduct a quick postgame at the game site
 - Close Calls
 - Unusual Plays
 - Arguments, Warnings, Ejections
 - Help each other get better



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

- Things to Do:
 - Regarding baseball umpiring - Stay off Social Media
 - Keep your umpire life off social media
 - Any comments or posts you make will not help you but may hurt you
 - Pack some food and drink especially for a double header
 - Do not wear your umpire uniform, hat, etc. in public places or at baseball games as a spectator



Catawba Umpires Association

Feb 6, 2023

Questions & Comments