

## UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS & STANDARDS

The uniform requirements (revised in 2009) for Tara's Umpires are a mixture of the traditional Tara uniform and the requirements of the Georgia High School Association (GHSA). GHSA has different requirements for baseball and softball and their standards are strictly enforced, especially in post-season play. Uniform standards for summer baseball are the same as the GHSA baseball uniform with the exception of the GHSA patch.

**The GHSA patch is worn only during GHSA sanctioned games.**

### New Members:

If you have a question about uniform requirements that are not addressed herein, contact the Umpire-in-Chief of the respective sport and discuss your question with your UIC.

### GHSA BASEBALL & SUMMER BASEBALL

Light blue pullover or dark blue pullover.  
The GHSA patch goes on the left sleeve (see diagram)  
Your assigned uniform number goes on the right sleeve.  
If a T-shirt is worn under this shirt, it should be dark blue.



LIGHT BLUE WITH DOUBLE DARK BLUE STRIPES SEPERATED WITH WHITE STRIPE

The GHSA patch goes on the left sleeve of both shirts.

If certified, the Certification patch goes above the GHSA patch



DARK BLUE WITH WHITE AND RED STRIPES

**The GHSA patch is not worn for summer baseball-only for GHSA games.**

Uniform Numbers go on the right sleeve of both shirts.

SHIRTS

### GHSA SOFTBALL

The GHSA patch goes on the left sleeve of both shirts.

If certified, the Certification patch goes above the GHSA

No other patches or numbers are to be worn for softball.

The T-Shirt under the uniform shirt shall be a white crew-neck T-shirt.



### GHSA BASEBALL & SUMMER BASEBALL

Wool, fitted and sized cap.  
White "T" on front.



Use a Plate cap (4 stitch) for the plate.  
Use a base cap (6 stitch) for the bases.

### GHSA SOFTBALL

Wool, fitted and sized cap.



NO INSIGNIA ( T ) is worn for softball.  
Use a Plate cap (4 stitch) for the plate.  
Use a base cap (6 stitch) for the bases.

CAPS

(The uniform sales vendor will assist you in determining the correct cap for plate/base use)

JACKETS

GHSA BASEBALL & SUMMER BASEBALL

Dark Blue with red & white stripes as shown.

Numbers shall be worn on the right sleeve.



The use of a traditional plate coat (Fechierner) is approved for **baseball**. If patches and/or number are used, they shall meet the same requirements as the baseball shirt.

GHSA SOFTBALL

Dark Blue with light blue & white stripes as shown.

No numbers or patches are worn on the jacket for softball



GHSA BASEBALL, SOFTBALL & SUMMER BASEBALL

PANTS

GHSA requires that pants be **heather gray**. The trend of Charcoal gray ( a darker gray ) is available and is approved for summer baseball. **However, in all games, both umpires should be dressed alike.**

Plate pants should be worn when working the plate and base pants when working the bases. The use of pleated or non-pleated pants are at the discretion of the umpire.



HEATHER GRAY NON-PLEATED PANTS



HEATHER GRAY PLEATED PANTS

ALL SPORTS

OTHER UNIFORM ITEMS

**SOCKS** Socks shall be dark blue or black.

**BELTS** Belts shall be black with a silver, conservative buckle **as shown**



**BALL BAGS** Ball bags should be dark navy or black **as shown**. One or two bags can be worn at the discretion of the umpire.



DARK BLUE or BLACK BALL BAG

**COLD WEATHER WEAR** Gloves and ear muffs are approved for cold weather. Both gloves and ear muffs should be dark blue or black and conservative in style. Gloves with the manufacture's logo are approved.

In extremely cold weather, additional clothing (sweat shirts, long-johns, etc.) may be worn **under** the approved uniform shirts/jackets.

GARMENT / EQUIPMENT CARE & APPEARANCE

Umpires are expected to be professionally dressed and have a neat appearance. Excessive jewelry is prohibited. Your uniform should be clean and pressed. Shoes should be shined and free of mud and/or dirt. Your equipment should be working properly, in good repair, clean, and offer you the proper protection for which it is designed. Your patches should be properly attached (sewn on) in the proper position on the uniform. In a crew of more than 2, all base umpires must dress alike (same uniform). The only exception to the uniform requirements is that on any size crew, the plate umpire may elect to wear a shirt or jacket, depending on the weather and irrespective to what shirt or jacket the base umpire wears. Other than these exceptions, the umpires will dress alike.