

**Agreement between NWAU, LLC (Northwest Umpires) and the
DRS baseball league**

1. **LENGTH OF AGREEMENT:** This agreement is for the 2022, 2023 and 2024 seasons.
2. **UMPIRES:** NWAU, LLC agrees to provide umpires for league games in the numbers indicated below at site and time specified by the **DRS baseball league**.

Regular Season League Games (Class C teams):

- A. 1 umpire per league game (except for letter B below)
- B. 2 umpires per league game in a minimum of 10 total games decided by the **DRS baseball league**
- C. 2 umpires per league playoff game
- D. If requested to cover a non-league game or tournament game, NWAU, LLC will provide 1 or 2 umpires per game per the request of the home team

Regular Season League Games (Class B teams):

- A. All Class B vs. Class B league games and playoff games will be covered with 2 umpires per game
- B. 1 umpire per league game with a Class B team vs. a Class C team (unless requested otherwise)
- C. If requested to cover a non-league game or tournament game, NWAU, LLC will provide 1 or 2 umpires per game per the request of the home team

3. **PAYMENT:** the **DRS baseball league** agrees:

- A. To specify sites and times for games in writing (your schedule) or, in case of playoffs or unforeseen circumstances, by phone, or email as far in advance as possible. **No umpires are promised unless we have a minimum of a 24-hour notification, or on regularly scheduled games when the game is not listed on a printed schedule in possession of the assignment secretary.**
- B. The original season schedule needs to be sent to NWAU, LLC in Excel format, per the specific format requested
- C. To pay umpires at the game site prior to the start of the game
- D. If a game does not start within a reasonable amount of time in relationship to the scheduled time due to no fault of the umpire or NWAU, LLC, NWAU, LLC reserves the right to impose an additional game fee on the home team
- E. NWAU, LLC policy stipulates that an umpire who is unreasonably late or misses an assignment will be subject to a fine imposed by NWAU, LLC. In this case, the home team will be reimbursed directly by NWAU, LLC at the cost of a full game fee.

REGULAR SEASON FEES

| | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2 umpires- 9 innings | \$105 | \$110 | \$115 |
| 1 umpire- 9 inning | \$140 | \$145 | \$150 |
| 2 umpires- 7 innings | \$95 | \$95 | \$100 |
| 1 umpire- 7 innings | \$110 | \$115 | \$120 |

PLAYOFFS/REGIONS/SECTIONS

Umpire fees are the same as regular season fees.

4. RAIN OUTS, CANCELLATIONS, FORFEITS: The DRS baseball league agrees:

- A. The call-in time to cancel or hold umpire(s) will be **2 hours** prior to the scheduled game time
- B. If the umpire(s) leave for the game subsequent to the **2-hour limit** and the game is not started; umpire(s) is to be **paid a one-half game fee**. The league understands the home team manager decides if the game will start
- C. The home team is liable to **pay the umpire a full game fee if the game is forfeited** by either team for any reason
- D. If the game begins, but is not completed due to inclement weather, light failure, etc... the home team or league agrees to **pay a full game fee to the umpire(s)**
- E. On rare occasions, if we finish a game prior to a regular scheduled game, **the fee will be \$15 per inning per umpire**. This is a tack-on fee. If the partial game results in 4 1/2 or 5 innings, **a full game fee will be paid**.

5. UMPIRE ASSIGNMENT SECRETARY FOR 2022:

Dan Feigum

Phone: 612-802-5661

Email: dfeigum@charter.net

6. TEAM MAINTENANCE FEES

- A. Each team has a maintenance fee of **\$75**. That fee can be paid by check or electronic payment by March 15 of each season.

PayPal or Zelle: NWAU.MN@gmail.com

Venmo: @NWAU_MN

Checks should be made payable to **Northwest Umpires** and sent to;

Northwest Umpires

370 Selby Ave Ste. 207

St. Paul, MN 55102

7. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE: The DRS baseball league agrees:

- A. Any team(s) or the league as a whole may file a grievance against any NWAU, LLC umpire who works a game during the 2022, 2023 or 2024 seasons. The grievance may be made based on rules, rulings and procedures of conduct. Any and all grievances made against an NWAU, LLC umpire(s) **must be made in writing and signed by an authorized league or team official.** This grievance must be mailed within **72 hours** of the incident or there will be no formal action taken by NWAU, LLC. Please send the written grievance to your league liaison, **Derek Roberts-4430 Coachman Lane NE, Prior Lake, MN 55372** or email: drkrbrts29@gmail.com. **The grievance must be detailed and factual.**
- B. The filing of a formal grievance obligates the **DRS baseball league** authority to either attend a hearing or in other ways assist in resolving the grievance. Your league liaison is your grievance contact person as well as your NWAU, LLC contact. In matters of grievance, the NW Umpire Grievance Chairman will coordinate the grievance process with the league liaison. The remainder of the NW Board of Directors (not consultants) will act as the grievance committee when necessary. In some occasions, league and/or team personnel may be asked to participate in the grievance process.
- C. Any NWAU, LLC umpire(s) may file a grievance against a team, individual or the **DRS baseball league** by following a similar procedure that is mentioned above.

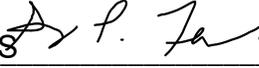
8. EJECTION POLICY

- A. The Minnesota Baseball Association will now handle **ALL** ejections.

9. GOPHER CLASSIC: The DRS baseball league agrees:

- A. Acknowledging the Gopher Classic Legion baseball tournament takes place the 2nd weekend of July (Friday, Saturday and Sunday)
- B. League games can be scheduled as part of the original season schedule and NWAU, LLC will honor the game and provide umpire(s) for the games
- C. NWAU, LLC may not be able to guarantee umpire(s) for reschedules or make-up games moved to those dates
- D. The league and NWAU, LLC will work together as best they can to minimize umpire shortages that weekend

NWAU, LLC authorized signature:  1/12/22
Date

League authorized signature: Gregory P. Faue VP DRS  1-13-22
Date