



California Softball Officials Association Inland Unit



October 2011

Welcome Esteemed Umpires;

I look forward to the upcoming 2012 year with new faces, new schools and new challenges. With these challenges come the responsibility to better server the game, the schools and the players. Therefore, professionalism has again been identified as a theme for our efforts this year.

You are being asked to look inwardly and improve your games, eliminate bad habits and replace them with good ones. You are expected to attend and participate in all the meetings.

Association Fees for the 2012 season will be \$155.00, which includes \$95.00 dues, and \$60.00 Assigner fee. Early registration fees of \$155.00 (*Dues / Assignor fees*) are due by November 30, 2010. Fees received between December 1, 2011 and January 25, 2012 will be \$170.00 (*Dues / Assignor fees*), and fees received January 23, 2012 or later will be \$180.00 (*Dues / Assignor fees*).

Each member must also have a \$50.00 Bond on deposit with the unit. If you are new to the CSOA Inland Unit or if you requested your bond to be refunded, you will need to post the \$50.00 Bond fee before you will receive a schedule. (See Standing Orders for Bond Details)

Any missing documentation with your registration and/or fees will be returned as incomplete and may be subject to the fees due based on the date the completed package is received.

Make Check or Money Orders payable to: *CSOA Inland Unit*

Please Mail Fees and All Paper Work To

**CSOA Inland Unit
P.O. Box 7126
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Any Questions Contact

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After receiving your fees, you will receive an E-Mail telling you we have received them and attached will be the “Study Guide” and “Standing Orders.” You will also receive a Welcome Letter (via E-Mail) from The ArbiterSports.com. Please sign-in to Arbiter, then go to the calendar and block any dates that you can’t work.

Below are the dates of the Instructional meetings for 2012. The Instructional classes will be held at **Patriot High School** and starts at 6:30 PM and will run till 9:00 PM:

Instructional Meetings

“ If you are signing up at that meeting, be there at 6pm “

Wednesday	January 25, 2012 All Members @ Patriot High School Theater
Monday	January 30, 2012 New Members (1 to 3 Years) @ Patriot High School
Wednesday	February 1, 2012 New Members (1 to 3 Years) @ Patriot High School



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Monday February 6, 2012 All Members @ **Patriot High School**
 Wednesday February 8, 2012 All Members @ **Patriot High School**

Wednesday February 15, 2012 All Members @ **Patriot High School**
 Wednesday February 22, 2012 Make-up Meetings @ **Patriot High School**

Mechanics Clinic

Saturday February 4, 2012 Mechanics clinic @ **Patriot's field** from 8 am – 12 pm
 Monday February 6, 2012 Mechanics clinic @ **Patriot's field** from 4 pm – 5:30
 Wednesday February 8, 2012 Mechanics clinic @ **Patriot's field** from 4 pm – 5:30

Scrimmage Games

Saturday February 25, 2012 Scrimmage Game – You will be assigned to a school
 (There are only a few week day Scrimmages, so make plans to work a Scrimmage on Saturday)
 Week day Scrimmage will only be scheduled to those who have cause and your request must be E-Mailed to the Assignor on a first come, first serviced bases.

Mid-Season Meeting

Wednesday March 14, 2012 All Members @ **Patriot High School**

Every member needs to attend the 2012 Required Instructional classes and clinics to be certified. To view the CSOA Inland Unit Certification Requirement for Regular Season Games and Playoff Games, see **Standing Orders: Section “C, 1 & 2” It is your responsibility to read the current year’s Standing Orders as there could be changes from year to year that affect you and the number of game you get.**

Veteran Umpires need to attend four (4) Instructional Meetings and 3 hours of Mechanics Clinic. New members (1 to 3 years) need to attend six (6) Instructional Meetings and all **Three (3) Mechanics Clinics**. The meeting in March does not count as an instructional meeting, but is required for play-offs.

The Mechanics Clinic is mandatory for everyone. Veterans have two options: 1) attend the two Wednesday 1½ hr clinics or 2) attend the 4-hr Saturday clinic. New members must attend all 3 clinics.

Again, I would like to welcome you to the CSOA-Inland Unit and 2012 Softball Season. As always I ask that you work with us to increase the professionalism of our Unit. Through your individual efforts and working as a team we can better serve the fine game of Girls High School Softball and we can all achieve our goals. I am requesting that every member email me and the secretary one suggestion that they think will help take our unit to the next level. Our email addresses are jsteele70@aol.com and bths@att.net. Thank you and I am looking forward to an outstanding season by all.

Johnnie Steele

Johnnie Steele / President, CSOA-Inland Unit