



## Georgia Sports Officials Association

### **GSOA INCIDENT REPORTING POLICY**

Incident worthy of being reported shall not only be limited to ejection or protest but any incident, which is out of the ordinary or might make you uncomfortable.

Safety violation/concerns, rule interpretation, participant misbehavior, abusive/inappropriate language or behavior etc...

Be aware and vigilant, do not sweep your concerns under the rug, never threaten participants with sanctions even if you are authorized to do so and are willing to enforce them. Always caution on the safe side. It is better to report a concern, which may have no foundation, rather than to overlook a potential warning sign of trouble.

When an incident occurs, take notes and act in a responsible matter. When necessary, request assistance from a Local Association Representative for any matter outside of your jurisdiction and report such matter to your GSOA Park agent in all cases.

A report should be issued by each Umpire present on the field, via verbal conversation with your Park agent, immediately after the conclusion of your game and if requested followed by a written report issued within a maximum of 12 hours, following the incident, using the appropriate form in accordance with established procedure.

Please refer to the Umpire Code of conduct for sanctions and to the Incident Reporting procedure for additional instructions

***Failure to comply with this policy may result in a suspension and or immediate dismissal.***