



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> ROUND SOFTBALL GAMES

- A. First round series will be hosted by the #1 and #2 seeded teams in each region. Second round series will be hosted by the higher advancing seed according to the GHSA State Tournament Bracket. A universal coin toss will determine the host school when equal seeds meet in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round.
- First round series: October 19 & 20 (2A, 4A, 5A, 6A) October 20 & 21 (1A, 3A, 7A)
  - Second round series: October 22 & 23 (2A, 4A, 5A, 6A) October 23 & 24 (1A, 3A, 7A)
  - Quarterfinal round series: October 27 & 28 (All Classifications)
  - Games scheduling starting times prior to 4:00 PM are subject to availability of umpire crews.
  - Contest officials will be assigned by the GHSA Office. If you are hosting and you have NOT heard from the game officials no later than (48) hours in advance of the first game, contact the GHSA Office.
  - The "host" team, by virtue of being the higher seed, will be the home team for the first game and the third game if necessary. The visiting team will be the home team for the second game. There will NOT be a coin toss for the 3<sup>rd</sup> game.
  - The host school is responsible for the following in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> round series:
    - New game balls (Per COVID-19 Policy; each school is responsible for their own game balls.)**
    - Secure dressing area for umpires
    - Site Security & Game Manager
    - On-site lightning detection system
    - Ample physical spacing in dugouts and spectator areas.**
- NOTE: The designated home team is responsible for keeping the official score book
- B. FINANCES as follows:
- Ticket prices are \$7.00 per day for double headers and \$5.00 for single games. The double header must be played the first date of each round.
  - The district umpire assignment coordinator assigned to each series is responsible to invoice the host schools for umpire fees prior to, or within 24 hours following, the final game by agreement with the host school.
  - Please complete the Fast-Pitch State Softball Playoffs Financial Report as found on the Forms page of the GHSA website within 10 days of the event conclusion. NOTE: The "Financial Report" form can be found in the GHSA Forms booklet, or on the GHSA web site.
- C. All other GHSA Policies and Procedures pertaining to the State Tournament apply unless otherwise specified. (Refer to pages 74 & 75 of the GHSA White Book)
- Each participating team member is allowed free admission at the site in which they are participating until their team is eliminated from the tournament.
  - ONLY GHSA Coaches Passes and officials with a GHSA Official's Pass are to be admitted at no charge with proof of identification.
  - Each competing team is allowed a maximum of (20) individuals on the "Team Travel Form". Others must sign in on the "Excess Team Entry Form".
  - Each school is responsible for the behavior of its coaches, players, and spectators. Therefore, the behavior and sportsmanship of spectators is a high priority and must be monitored by on-site school administrators.
  - Only "Team Essential Personnel" are allowed in the team dugouts. "Spirit" individuals, non-playing students, coaches' children, etc. are NOT considered "Team Essential Personnel".
  - Teams advancing to the "Final Four" in Columbus will find "Softball Final Four Team Instructions" on the GHSA web site.
  - ALL COVID-19 modifications/considerations protocol shall be adhered to throughout the State Tournament.**
  - Teams advancing to the 2<sup>nd</sup> round shall also submit a complete roster and team photo to [adam@scoreatl.com](mailto:adam@scoreatl.com) no later than Thursday, October 22 @ 9:00AM. Failure to do so will result in a \$250.00 fine to the school.(The templet form is attached)

# OFFICIAL TEAM TRAVEL FORM

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

Each team is allowed (20) names on the "Team Travel Form, consisting of players, managers, trainers, statisticians, etc. Coaches are admitted on their GHSA Coaches Pass. Teams wishing to admit more than the (20) names on this form must list the names of those individuals on the "Excess Team Entry Form" at the team entry gate.

NAME	FUNCTION (player, manager, etc.)
1 _____	_____
2 _____	_____
3 _____	_____
4 _____	_____
5 _____	_____
6 _____	_____
7 _____	_____
8 _____	_____
9 _____	_____
10 _____	_____
11 _____	_____
12 _____	_____
13 _____	_____
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15 _____	_____
16 _____	_____
17 _____	_____
18 _____	_____
19 _____	_____
20 _____	_____

COACH: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

The head coach is responsible for turning in this form prior to the "Game Manager" upon arrival at the venue.

# EXCESS TEAM ENTRY FORM

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

Teams wishing to admit more than the (20) names must list the names of those individuals on this "Excess Team Entry Form" at the team entry gate.

	NAME	FUNCTION (player, manager, etc.)
1	_____	_____
2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____
4	_____	_____
5	_____	_____
6	_____	_____
7	_____	_____
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18	_____	_____
19	_____	_____
20	_____	_____

COACH: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

The head coach is responsible for turning in this form prior to the "Game Manager" upon arrival at the venue.

# TEAM ROSTER AND TEAM PHOTO TEMPLATE

**DEADLINE IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22 @ 9:00 AM**

Email to: Score Atlanta – Attention Rhonda Rawls at [adam@scoreatl.com](mailto:adam@scoreatl.com)

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_

CLASSIFICATION \_\_\_\_\_ REGION \_\_\_\_\_ OVERALL RECORD \_\_\_\_\_

HEAD COACH NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ASS'T. COACHES \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: List each player with the following information.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Graduation Year</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____

**Failure to submit this information will result in a \$250.00 fine to the school.**