

## **WEATHER, CANCELLATION, COVID and DROPPING OUT POLICY** (*National Events are excluded from this policy*)

The following policy applies to events ran by UTAH USSSA (aka Jerry Cordova Ong), **South Jordan, other cities or event Directors are excluded from this policy as they have their own but similar policies.**

### **COVID 19 IMPACT**

- If an event is cancelled due to COVID. A refund NOT CREDIT is issued 😊. A \$25 administration fee will be deducted.
- If a player is impacted by COVID, a phone call to the event Director is required to discuss the situation.
- All refunds will be issued **within 1-6 days** to method of payment or electronically.

### **WEATHER and or CANCELLATION**

All events have associated costs such as field deposits, field rentals, awards, lodging, travel expenses, payroll, and insurance coverage that are expensed and have to be absorbed in some cases, regardless if the event runs or not. As such, the \$100-200 entry deposit is non-refundable **IF YOU DROP** from an event inside of 21 days from event start date. The \$100-\$200 entry deposit will be treated as a 100% credit for rain-outs ONLY. This is the trade off to allow teams a reduced entry fee to secure a tournament spot and paying the balance 2 weeks before event start date.

We do not like to cancel any event, but safety of players and coaches is priority. See the weather/cancellation steps as follows:

1. If NO games are played, the team will be **credited 100%** to be held for future payments towards UTAH USSSA events for **six (6) months** from the date of the cancelled event. (**SoJo city managed events have a different policy**).
2. If weather/field conditions warrant changes during the event, the following decisions may be utilized:
  - a) Number of pool play games is decreased.
  - b) Playing time per game may be decreased.
  - c) Bracket play may start without completing all scheduled pool games.
3. If number of games planned cannot be met, then the following actions in the table below will be utilized.
  - a) Games are considered complete after 45 minutes has elapsed.
  - b) Ranking points, qualification berth, paid berth and awards will be issued, and teams ranked, except when only 2 or less games are played. Paid berths will be awarded per table guidelines.
  - c) Refund/credit amounts must be applied towards future events ran by Jerry Cordova-Ong. **SoJo events are excluded.**

# of games played	Credit % of entry fee	Points and Rankings issued	Awards, Berths issued	Paid Berths issued to Championship teams
Zero	100%	No	No	No
1 of 4 or more	60%	No	No	No
2 of 4 or more	40%	Yes	Yes	No
After 3 or more	0%	Yes	Yes	Yes (No refund/credit %)

### **DROPPING FROM EVENTS - THIS IS A CRITICAL ISSUE, PLEASE UNDERSTAND THE FOLLOWING**

This is a tough situation for all teams. Your team must do the best they can to avoid dropping out of an event, ask for help in finding players. The following policies will apply, but the **\$100-\$200 deposit is non-refundable** **IF YOU DROP** from an event inside of **21 days** from event start date. However:

1. If a team drops inside of **21 days** of the event start date, but before the Pool schedule is published and they can find a replacement team within 7 days of dropping out. They will receive 100% of all event fees paid to date as a CREDIT. If the team drops within **14 days** of the event and has not paid in full yet, they will be billed the balance, and the **balance must be paid before they can participate in ANY USSSA event. Even if they have paid in full for a future event.**
2. If a team drops from an event after the POOL PLAY schedule has been released/published. **NO refund or credit will be issued.** The team loses the entire event fee (Entry/Other,etc). **NOTE a schedule can be released as early as 3 weeks out or as little 2 days out depending on circumstances.**
3. If a team drops from an event after the POOL PLAY schedule has been released/published and **still owes a balance for entry/other fee, the team will be billed 100% and not allowed entry into ANY future USSSA event until event fee is paid.** In extreme cases these matters will be submitted to outside businesses to address collection of entry/other fees.
4. **ALL CREDITS MUST be used within 6 months of issue date.**