



**UNITED COLLEGIATE
UMPIRES
2021 Universal
COVID-19
Protocols/Recommendations**

UPDATED: SUNDAY, MARCH 7

- **Keep Track of Kits – do not run out with Access Medical Labs or MAKO kits**
- **If you are an umpire who is added to a conference and do not have a kit, you must notify Alex Skandalis**
- **KNOW YOUR TEST-COMPLIANCE SEASON-LONG RESPONSIBILITIES**
- **TESTS SHOULD BE SHIPPED FROM SPECIAL MEDICAL FEDEX AND UPS LOCATIONS BEFORE NOON ET**
- **When a school is antigen testing on-site, be aware, they may be testing ONLY the plate umpire(s). So, decide who is working the plate/rotation in advance of arriving – Antigen Testing – 90 minutes before**
- **Communication with partners is key, need to touch base the day before and set rotation if that is your option (all but Division I Conferences)**
- **If you are a veteran and are working with a new umpire, be a leader and make sure they know where they are going, etc. No ego here, all on same team**

UPDATED: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- **Masks are mandatory from arrival on-site, through the game and upon exit from site**

- **Mask must be on the face, the ump-attire product that attaches to the mask only can be an “additional” mask, but not the only mask you wear as a plate umpire**
- **Off-field close contact with another umpire is strongly discouraged - to include the use of locker rooms, sharing hotel rooms, dining and driving together**
- **Officials shall not engage in pregame/postgame or in-game handshakes/fist bumps/contact with partners, players, coaches, or administrators**
- **Pregame plate meeting: Led by crew chief conducted 10-feet apart, no handshakes, masks must be worn**
- **Officials will maintain physical distancing. In those cases, the officials should avoid speaking face-to-face and maintain some distance**
- **Coaches should never enter the dirt circle or field of play**
- **Umpire/coach interactions should occur at edge of dirt circle or 45’ line with physical distance**
- **Officials may wear gloves – including medical latex gloves, work gloves or gloves designed specifically for officiating**
- **Officials may wear plastic face shields which connect to a hat, wrap around the forehead or hang around the neck**
- **Bring your own small bottle of sanitizer**
- **Conferences will dictate handling of baseball policies**
- **If umpire is not feeling well or has a low-grade fever, call Chris Marshall/Alex Skandalis immediately – do not work a game when not feeling well**
- **Should there be any issues with a host university in terms of COVID-related working conditions, bring to the attention of UCU administrators – do NOT initiate confrontation with host university personnel**
- **If you test positive for Covid-19, Chris Marshall and Alex Skandalis must be notified immediately and you cannot return until all quarantine guidelines have been met and a subsequent negative test can be documented**

