

View Royal Fastball Association Uniform and Apparel Policy

Purpose:

To ensure that all teams represent the Association (VRFA) by looking professional, consistent, and identifiable both on and off the field, by way of approved apparel and branding.

Association Colours & Approved Logo Design:

The VRFA approved colour scheme is black and white. All uniforms and fanwear will be designed with the colour scheme in mind. Any alternate colours or design used to represent the association will need executive approval during the design process, prior to item creation. Please allow 2-4 weeks for executive approval.

Uniform & Apparel Expectations:

It is expected that all coaches, managers, and players when representing VRFA are properly dressed and maintain a professional appearance, both on and off the playing fields. In addition to uniforms, safety equipment such as cleats, helmets, masks and catcher gear must be worn according to Softball BC Operating Rules. Coaches are responsible for informing their team of the uniform policy and for ensuring compliance by all team members. All jerseys must be ordered through the VRFA Uniform Coordinator or designate, as determined by the Executive.

Player Dress Code:

- The playing uniform provided by VRFA will consist of:
 - One (1) numbered jersey, personalized with last name
 - One (1) belt
 - One (1) pair of socks
 - One (1) visor
- A uniform will not be issued to an athlete if registration fees have not been collected.
- Items not provided by VRFA (responsibility of athlete):
 - Required - Ball pants (solid black, solid white or black/white pinstripe)
 - Optional - additional socks and belts, undershirts (solid black or solid white)
- The uniform choice worn for a game will be up to each team according to their head coach and may change from game to game. All players on each team are required to be in matching uniforms.
- Helmet colour is encouraged to be black, but not mandatory. Helmets may not have any association logos or team branding other than View Royal Fastball.
- When two (2) VRFA teams are playing each other in league play, the home team will decide their uniform choice and communicate to the other team ahead of time so they can wear an alternate uniform (if available).
- If multiple VRFA teams are competing in the same tournament, it will be up to the leadership (coaches/manager) of each team to communicate ahead of time and decide on each team's uniform choice for each day of the tournament. For championship day, the higher seeded team may choose. Differentiating uniforms between teams are encouraged but not required. If the teams cannot come to an agreement, the decision will be made by the President.
- For all practice, training, etc., VRFA team practice and workout gear is encouraged.

Sizing and Allocation of Number Jerseys:

Teams will be sized by VRFA Uniform Coordinator and/or team manager. Each player will be asked for a preferred and alternate jersey number. In the event of conflicting requests, team leadership (head coach/manager) is responsible for working out a solution with their athletes. If the team

cannot come to an agreement, a decision will be made by the Uniform Coordinator. While VRFA makes every effort to supply the player with their preferred number, they make no commitment to players, parents or coaches that it will be honoured.

Warm-up/practice apparel should not be ordered until the jersey numbers are finalized, unless numbers are not being added to apparel. VRFA is not responsible for issues arising from misaligned numbers for teams that have pre-existing numbers or ordering new warm-up wear before assignment of jerseys.

Wear and Tear:

Parents and players must take reasonable care to ensure their jerseys in their possession are cared for appropriately. Newly assigned jerseys found with abnormal wear and damage should be reported to the Uniform Coordinator immediately.

Jersey Sponsor Policy:

Each team may have the logo of one team sponsor placed on its team jerseys. The sponsor logo must be placed on the left sleeve of the jersey and shall be no larger than 2 inches by 4 inches in dimension. Sponsors and logos must be appropriate for minor sports teams, and determination of appropriateness will be made by the Executive.

Coaches Dress Code:

- Rostered coaches will be provided the following:
 - One (1) hat or visor
 - One (1) shirt
- Items not provided:
 - Black shorts or pants
- Coaches may wear approved VRFA branded gear purchased from the fan store.
- Replacement clothing will be issued as required (i.e. every 2-year period).

Fan Wear:

Teams, coaches and fans are encouraged to purchase team wear and fan wear through the online team store.