

## **How to Manage the Use of Assistive Technology in Athletics**

1. Your coach should disclose the technology and state the IDEA or ADA laws above to the officials of the contest. The coach should also ask the officials to disclose the technology to the other coaches.
2. Ask the coach to speak with parents about this briefly and the coach should also ask for respect for the individual with hearing loss.
3. Should any disruptions with parents occur due to the use of the technology, one parental representative or coach should be responsible in asking the umpire/official to give a warning. If it happens again, the parent or attendee should be asked to leave. (This could also be discussed in the pre-game meeting).