

ARTICLE 7

OFFICIALS

- 7.1** The CAA Directors will schedule officials for all CAA sanctioned events.
- 7.1.1 Exceptions maybe made at the Director's discretion.
- 7.2** Officials will be paid directly by the CAA the amount decided at the annual CAA Constitution meeting.
- 7.2.1 Travel expenses for officials working a game outside the normal travel area maybe charged to the home school at the Director's discretion.
- 7.3** Officials are expected to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the contest. Failure to do so should be reported to the league by the home team.
- 7.3.1 If an official arrives 15 minutes after the scheduled start of the contest without communication, a \$10 fine will be charged to the official.
- 7.3.2 If an official arrives more than 30 minutes after the scheduled start time of the contest without communication, no compensation will be given. Either school should use the Official Evaluation Form to report this issue.
- 7.4** In JH sports requiring two Officials, if only one official works, the game will be played. The referee will be paid the required game fee plus \$20.00. In the game is played with one official, the contest cannot be appealable.
- 7.5** In HS sports requiring two Officials, if only one official shows up, the game must be rescheduled unless both coaches reach an agreement to play the game with one official, in which case the official will be paid the required game fee plus \$20.00. In the game is played with one official, the contest cannot be appealable.
- 7.6** Schools are responsible for having an official sign the official book. No complaints will be entertained about an official's performance unless this action is taken. Sports that do not have a scorebook, are except from this rule.
- 7.7** Officials must follow all league specific rules. Officials failing or refusing to enforce policies set forth in the rules section of this document and on the Rules documents will be disciplined by the CAA.
- 7.8** Officials are the ultimate authority at an event. Actions must be protested at the time of the occurrence/infracton and must be communicated to both coaches and all officials. The Appeal Form must be filed in written form to the League Office within 24 hours after the completed game. Appeals involving Coach or player ejections are not appealable.
- 7.9** League officials are encouraged to maintain the highest level of player, crowd and coach conduct by using technical fouls, ejections and forfeitures as enforcement per the appropriate National Federation High School rulebook.
- 7.10** In an effort to continually work toward providing the best officials for our athletic contests, the CAA has created an **Official Evaluation form** that coaches can complete for each official after every match. The CAA realizes this form as a subjective estimate of an official's ability as observed by a coach involved in the contest for which the official is rated. The League will use these responses to help determine crews for postseason contests.
- 7.11** Schools failing to comply with the guidelines defined in Article 7 will be held accountable per the guidelines established in Article 10.