

Volleyball Tournaments Entry Forms

Tournament entry forms for volleyball have been converted to online forms which must be accessed and completed through the "Tournament Entry" link located in the left column of your **myOHSAA** account. Information on the tournament entry forms marked with red asterisks (*) is required. Once the tournament entry form has been submitted, click the "View" link and print the form. The form will need to be forwarded to your tournament manager per their instructions. Coaches, please be sure that your athletic administrator has access this update which has been sent directly to each of them by the OHSAA office.

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Schools need to assume responsibility when hosting an event and provide all assistant officials (line judges, scorer, timer and libero tracker) and **train** them in their duties. (In Ohio, if the host school is not using the libero, there is no obligation to provide a tracker). For varsity and reserve/junior varsity volleyball competition, all line judges shall be either well-trained adults or students not listed on the volleyball eligibility certificate for the high school.

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Officials' Uniforms

Occasionally questions are referred to us by officials relative to uniform regulations for our volleyball contest officials. Here is a review of those regulations.

1. The uniforms should fit properly and be clean and neat.
2. White long or short-sleeved knit shirt with an OHSAA embroidered logo (only OHSAA authorized shirts)
3. Black skirt or black shorts with a minimum 4" inseam, or black culottes or black **dress** slacks.
4. Black belt (if used)
5. Beginning August 1, 2012 the required uniform will include white shoes and white socks. When needed, an all white cardigan or v-neck sweater is permissible. Beginning in the 2014 season, the only permissible sweater will be one sold by an OHSAA Authorized vendor. It is not permissible to wear a long sleeve garment under the short sleeve shirt.
6. Jewelry shall not be worn except for a wedding band and/or a medical alert necklace or bracelet. A religious medallion which is not visible is permitted. A watch is permitted only when an official has a duty for timing during the contest.
7. Emblems and patches are not permitted on the officiating uniform. Beginning August 1, 2012 the only acceptable logo is the new OHSAA logo. **Exception:** An American Flag patch/emblem is optional and, if worn, shall be on the left sleeve approximately two inches below the shoulder with the star field facing to the front.
8. For OHSAA Tournaments, the uniform shall be black **dress** slacks, white short-sleeved knit shirt with an OHSAA embroidered logo (only OHSAA authorized shirts), white shoes and white socks.

Officials' Report Forms:

There have been many questions regarding the procedure for reporting situations that do not involve ejections. Below is a review of the Required Reports (Ejection Reporting) Section of the Handbook for Officials. Please specifically note: "The "Official's Report" form may also be used to report good or poor sportsmanship, severe injuries, facility problems, or equipment problems."

Officials shall file a written report with the OHSAA office whenever a coach or player is ejected from an athletic contest. Use the "Official's Report" form. The Official's Report form is located at <http://www.ohsaa.org/officials/sptsmnshp/ejections.htm> . The report shall be filed with the OHSAA **within two business days** of the ejection. **OHSAA will send a copy to the reported school along with a school response form.** Whenever an ejection occurs, the ejecting official shall speak with the offender's principal/athletic director no later than the **first school** day following the ejection. An Official failing to follow the ejection protocol and/or failing to file the Official's Report may be penalized in accordance with Section VIII. The "Official's Report" form may also be used to report good or poor sportsmanship, severe injuries, facility problems, or equipment problems. Please use only one form per school. **It is the official's responsibility to contact the school by phone and send (email, fax or mail the forms to the OHSAA via email.**

NFHS Officials Association:

The information below is a reminder concerning a valuable resource for officials.

NFHS Central Hub Home Page – <http://nfhs.arbitersports.com/front/105401/Site>

From the Handbook for Officials:

Every OHSAA official and umpire is enrolled in the NFHS Officials Association. The NFHS Officials Association offers several components for OHSAA official and umpires at no additional cost: an education program, a national awards program, publications, searchable rules data base on-line and on-line rules videos.

These can be accessed through the NFHS Central Hub. Go to the NFHS website at www.nfhs.org. Select the Officials area and click on the following link to experience the NFHS Central Hub, an exclusive online benefit for NFHS Officials Association members. Once on the NFHS Central Hub Home Page, you can sign in the upper right hand corner. To sign in, use your email address and your last name as your password. If that does not work, you can use the "Forgot Password" link and the Central Hub will email you your password.