OCC OF SECTION IV

Purpose:
To maintain a high standard of continuous desirable working relationship between the Sections, the League, the Schools, and the Officials’ Organizations.

Membership:
The make-up of the OCC shall consist of three (3) members representing schools’ personnel, three (3) members representing official’s organizations and one (1) member of the Section IV Executive Committee and one (1) member to represent each Section IV League. All members shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Section IV Executive Committee. The Director of the OCC shall be appointed by the President of Section IV. The OCC Director shall receive an honorarium of $500.00 per year.

Duties:
A. Director:
1. Will be responsible for calling all meetings of the OCC.
2. Will preside over all meetings of the OCC.
3. Will be responsible for all minutes of any meeting.
4. Will be responsible to report results of OCC meetings to the President and Interscholastic Sports Coordinator of Section IV.
5. Be responsible to send any/all correspondence to the Interscholastic Sports Coordinator of Section IV, to Officials’ Organizations and to appropriate agencies.
6. Represent Section IV on the New York State Officials Coordinating Federation.

Responsibilities of OCC:
1. Have knowledge of all rules, regulations, and procedures each officiating organization has on file regarding recruitment of new members, requirements for certification of officials and for evaluation of officials in their membership. What constitutes an apprentice or fully certified official.
2. Have on file an accurate roster from each officiating organization operating within the section for all interscholastic activities.
3. To receive from each Officials’ Organization and keep on file a confidential rating of each official.
4. Have knowledge of what control other groups or organizations have regarding officials and the impact their decisions may have on the Section’s Committee.
7. Have a clear understanding of any regulations or decisions which affect the jurisdiction of all officiating organizations. (If such is the case or legal, i.e. The Territorial Rights Questions.)
6. To ascertain that Official’s Organizations maintain the 5 point programs as set forth by the N.Y.S.P.H.S.A.A.
7. Establish a negotiation process for all official’s organizations and to make clear what the responsibilities are to those involved in the process.
8. Have all negotiated agreements reviewed before all league executive committees and stated agreements be published in sectional minutes.
9. Establish a clear-cut line of communication for individuals to route their problems, concerns, and questions.

Limitations:
1. To recognize the OCC is primarily a liaison committee between Section IV and Officials’ Organizations.
2. The OCC shall be a clearinghouse and communications network with a major function being contract negotiations. It should be aware of the clearly stated responsibilities of other agencies so as to avoid delays and assumptions of authority by the wrong parties.

OFFICIALS COORDINATING COMMITTEE

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Jefferson Central School
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652-2762

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(IAC League)
Marathon Central School
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(MAC League)
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Deposit, NY 13754
222-7551
This agreement is between Section IV of the NYSPHSAA and Sports Officials Organizations that service member schools.

I. Philosophy
The giving and acceptance of an officials assignment is an agreement between the individual school and the official to the extent that the official and the school will hold their original agreement unless unusual circumstances prevent the official from fulfilling his agreement or prevent the school from conducting the scheduled event.

II. This agreement established the following:
A. Fee Schedule
   1. The fee schedule has been developed toward the services of two (2) types of officials.
      a. Certified: An active official who has achieved National or State rating. A NAGWS official who has achieved a National, State or a Local rating with a minimum of two (2) years experience.
      b. Non-Certified: An official who is in training for advancement to certified status.
      NOTE: While the Officials Coordinating Committee recognizes that non-certified officials are actually certified officials in training for active status, this terminology is only used for payment of fees for service.
   2. The payment of fees is reflected in a total game fee and payment will not exceed this figure.
   3. The number of officials are reflected for each sport at the Varsity level only. Modification of number of officials for Junior Varsity or Modified programs will be at the discretion of the home school.
   4. Schools or leagues requesting certified officials on contest below a Varsity level will be expected to pay the Certified fee.
   5. For all contests that Section IV is financially responsible, Arbiter Pay will be used for all these contests.

B. Full Fee
   1. Full fee will be paid whenever the game officially starts, even though it may end short of a legal game for any reason.

C. One and One-Half Fee
   1. On contests assigned to two or more officials, a one and one-half fee plus mileage will be paid to the individual who is forced to work alone due to the absence of the other official(s). (Including Track and Field).

D. One-Half Fee
   1. Official(s) will be paid a one-half fee plus mileage whenever the officials arrive but the game cannot start due to weather conditions, site conditions, or due to an error on the part of the school.
   2. The Officials Chapter will pay the school a one-half fee per official whenever a duly assigned official fails to report for a contest. A duly assigned official is to be considered as an official assigned by his chapter or assigner. The chapter or assigner must have been advised by the school as to the contest (site and time) 48 hours prior to contest.

E. Double Dual Fee
   1. Two (2) dual contest fees will be paid when two (2) separate contests between three (3) or more schools are conducted at the same site simultaneously. Mileage numeration for one (1) contest only.

F. Sectional Fee
   1. Referees, umpires, starters, and head judges, working Sectional contests, or League Varsity championship contests, will receive $5.00 above the Varsity contest fee for that sport.

G. Tournament Fees
   1. Fees will be paid for tournaments as agreed by Section IV and Officials organizations of the determined sport.
H. Travel Fee
1. Mileage rate is .09 cents less than the IRS mileage rate as determined in January.
2. Mileage to be paid $0.455 cents per mile (up to 100 miles round trip) (2018-19).
3. No mileage to be paid within a 10 mile radius of the officials home.
4. Mileage for contest with up to 4 officials one (1) car allowed; contests with 5-8 officials two (2) cars mileage allowed; contests with 9-12 officials three (3) cars allowed mileage; contests with 12-16 officials four (4) cars allowed mileage.
5. In sectional contests, if two or more officials are assigned that are from different geographical boards, mileage will be paid to two (2) cars per contest. NOTE: In contests where officials are assigned to service both Varsity and Junior Varsity contests, mileage will be paid only once. In double dual situations, mileage will be paid only once.

III. Joint Responsibility of Leagues, Schools, and Officials Organizations
A. The said parties agree to accept and abide by the Statement of Principals for Officiating and the Constitution of the New York State High School Officials Coordinating Federation as written in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
B. Accept and abide by the provisions of the Officials Agreement as written in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

IV. Responsibility of League/School
A. The League/School shall provide the sports schedule to the appropriate assigners within the following schedule:
   Fall Sports: July 1
   Winter Sports: October 1
   Spring Sports: February 1
B. The League/School shall notify the assigners as soon as possible when it has been determined that a contest has to be rescheduled or canceled.
C. The home school shall be responsible to notify the assigners that a contest has been postponed due to weather conditions, temporary closing of school, unplayable site conditions, or other emergencies as judged by the school’s administration. If this notification is made two hours prior to scheduled starting time of contest, the school will not be responsible for any fee or mileage charges. Failure to meet this procedure will result in the school paying the one-half fee provision.
D. School Administrators are responsible for providing safe and secure access to a designated separate officials dressing/shower facilities before, during and following contests.

V. Responsibility of Officials Organization
A. To provide to the Director of the Officials Coordination Committee and the Section IV Interscholastic Sports Coordinator a roster of all officials certified for the varsity level for the upcoming sports season. The dates for this procedure will coincide with the dates that have been set for the providing of sports schedules to officials organizations.
B. To be responsible in meeting the five (5) point program as written in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.
C. To provide to the Director of the OCC a confidential rating copy of all active officials.
D. To strive to provide Section IV with a sufficient number of officials so that every contest is covered by the designated number of officials.
E. To provide, with the roster, the individual who will accept all correspondence and will be the official representative that communicates with the OCC.
F. Assigners:
   1. To assign the correct number and duly certified officials to athletic contests as determined by this Agreement.
   2. To notify Athletic Directors that the scheduled sports contest has been accepted either by confirmation of the contest or supplying names of officials that are assigned to the contest.
   3. To strive to assign officials to no more than one (1) contest per day.
   4. To strive to assign no official to a contest in which his/her school or school district is playing or where a conflict of interest may exist.
   5. To strive to assign officials who live or work within close proximity of each other to the same contest, so travel may be made in one vehicle, thus making it more economical for all parties involved.
   6. In the event that duly assigned officials fail to report to the assignment or the assigner fails to assign the duly number of officials, that a letter of explanation be presented to the Athletic Directors of the offended schools and the Chairman of the OCC within seven (7) days of the incident. The one-half fee to the home school and mileage to the visiting school provision will be in effect.
VI. Unacceptable Officials
A. A school may request in writing that an official not be assigned to their contests. This request must be signed by the Varsity Coach and the Athletic Director of such school. Such requests will be honored for a two (2) year period.

B. Should a school present an excessive number of unacceptable officials, the Officials Organization may request a meeting with the OCC to discuss the issue.

VII. Grievance
A. Official’s Organizations may at any time request a hearing before the OCC. The OCC will then decide whether the request will be heard or to direct the request to the appropriate agency.

B. Any grievance or dispute which may arise between Section IV and Official’s Organizations concerning the application, meaning or interpretation of the agreement shall be settled in accordance with the procedures outlined in the NYSPHSAA Handbook.

C. The goal always is to settle the disagreement at the lowest level possible in an informal and expeditious manner.

D. It is understood that the purpose of the grievance procedure is to provide a mechanism for settling disputes about the Agreement which cannot be resolved informally between the school and the official.

E. Either party has access to the grievance process.

VIII. Negotiations
A. Discussions and negotiations for the Fee Schedule shall take place between a Joint-Conference of representatives from the OCC and representatives of the involved sport.

B. Each Official’s Organization may be represented by no more than two (2) members from each Official’s Organization and all Official’s Organizations, of that sport, must be duly represented in person or excuse the right by issuing, in writing, to the Director of the OCC, as to whom will be their official representative.

C. The Joint-Conference will be chaired by the Director of the OCC or his designee.
2018-19 DIRECTORY OF ASSIGNERS OF OFFICIALS ORGANIZATIONS
as LISTED with SECTION IV and NYSPHSAA, Inc.

Baseball
Binghamton  Charlie Wheeler, 206 Cindy Street, Johnson City 13790 729-2425(H)759-2559(C)cwheels23@stny.rr.com
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Ithaca  Craig Allen, 82 Evergreen St, Cortland 13045 753-8754 (H) 743-2018 (C) callen4@twcny.rr.com
Schohanna  John Frankl, PO Box 160, West Oneonta 13861 432-0604(H)287-0404(C)fulltilbgogie@hotmail.com
Endicott  David Rutkowski 239-8780 (C) 748-5199 (H) drutkowski@stny.rr.com

Basketball (B)
Ithaca  Jerry Hartnett, 64 Floral Ave, Cortland, 13045 756-7919 (W)753-6766
Schohanna  Jamie O’Donnell 435-5926 (C) odonnellj@hartwick.edu
S. N. York  Jim Berbari 739-0489, 425-6235 (C) jbrefu@gmail.com
S. Tier  Kevin McGoff, 2200 Tracy St, Endicott 13760 607-427-2700 kmcgoff@stny.rr.com

Basketball (G)
F. Lakes  Larry Hardesty, 113 Cayuga Street, Trumansburg 14866 387-6668 (Schohanna, S. N. York, S. Tier -- Refer to Boys’ Basketball)

Field Hockey
STFHOA  Pete Mansheffer, 81 So Chenango Street, Greene 13778 656-4511 (W); 656-9594 (H);343-4413 (cell)

Football
Elmira  Al Englebert, 234 Elmwood Ave, Elmira Heights 14903 607-742-6433 (C), 607-733-3513 (H)
F. Lakes  Bill Henry, 73 Pratt Rd, Manchester 14504 585-289-4206 or 585-857-0345 (C)
S. Tier  Joe Polosky, 8 Hi-Ower Road, Binghamton 13901 761-5806 (C), 754-0959 jpolosky0527@aol.com
T. Valley  Jeff Love lowejeff@hotmail.com 607-434-9370 (C), 607-433-3142

B. Lacrosse
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Chemung Co.  Chris Kamas commzod@yahoo.com

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F. Lakes  Paul Samasuck, 2091 Taylor Road, Savannah 13146 315-365-3598 paulconthegreen@tds.net (Binghamton, Endicott, Schohanna -- Refer to Baseball)

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Nor-Oneonta  Kevin Diefenbacher, 1108 CTY RT33, Norwich 13815 334-6788(H)335-5482(W)
S. Central  Narcy Percik, 29 Orchard Road, Binghamton 13905 722-6782
S. Tier  John Zawistowski, 97 W Chenango Road, Castle Creek 648-8168

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S. Tier  Steve Baxter, 8 Cherry Lane, Binghamton 13901 743-1231(c )

Volleyball
STVO  Cathie Holobosky, stvoassignor@gmail.com 760-1836

Wrestling
East  Rick Armstrong, 15 Gar Glen Drive, Binghamton 13904 607-217-5492, ricksarmstrong@gmail.com
West  Travis Fisher, 51A Goodrich Road, Owego, 13827 607-972-1342, iceman_blue101@yahoo.com
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*Swimming: Should a Varsity and Modified meet be run at the same time with the same officials, those officials shall be paid both the Varsity and Modified fee. Extra heat (3 free up to 200 yards; $2.00 per heat per official thereafter). Diving: a. No diving in meet, $11.50 less (3) b. Extra diver $3.00 per official per diver. (Over 6 divers is extra). Swim Meets: Up to 2 hours = Regular fee; 2 to 3 hours = 1 ½ x fee; 3 to 4 hours = 2 x fee; 4 to 5 hours = 2 ½ x fee; etc.

*Track: Sectional, League and Invitational meets where the length of time is excessive because of the number of entries. Fee for each half hour or part thereof of past 5 hours will be $15.00 (Eliminating time for weather delays). If there is only a Boys or Girls Team, half a fee will be used. (Does not apply to Rotary or Parkhurst).

* Volleyball Section IV Tournaments, Decision Making (i.e. Linesman) fee will be $19.50 per match, (3/5) and $3.50 per game. (Pool Play) Section IV will use State Fee Schedule for Decision Making and Non-Decision Making positions at Section IV Finals ONLY
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Diving: a. No Diving in meet, $7.00 less.  
b. Extra diver $2.00 per official per diver (Extra is more than 6)

*Volleyball: For a JV ONLY 2/3 match, any non deciding game will be dropped or if the coaches want to play the extra game the pool play fee of that year will be used.
# Officials’ MODIFIED Fees for 2018-2023

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Fee is Game Fee for Modified Contest. # - Indicates the fee for that many officials.

**The 2018-19 school year mileage rate will be 0.455 cents a mile up to 100 Miles Maximum Mileage shall be calculated using Mapquest or Google, whichever is shortest.**

*Swimming: Extra heat (3 free up to 200 yards; $1.50 per heat per official thereafter)
Diving: a. No Diving in meet, $7.00 less.
   b. Extra diver $2.00 per official per diver (Extra is more than 6)

Volleyball Fee is for 2 out of 3 and 3 of 3 games.

Modified Meet Fee
1) Modified meet fees will be based on number of bouts officiated.
2) Wrestling fees for Modified meets
   a. Total number of matches wrestled
   b. Divide by NYSPHSAA weight classes, currently fifteen (15) to get the number of meets
   c. Multiply the number of meets by the modified meet fee
   d. For the remainder of bouts, multiply by the exhibition fee
   e. Add the total from (C) with the total from (D)
   f. Divide by the number of officials
In the event that certain individual games, tournament games, league finals or section IV tournaments games require by past practice or league or section approval, the following schedule must be used. Unless it has been a past practice, any change would require league or section approval. In cases where an extra official is used for any Section IV contest the extra $5.00 bonus would not apply. In those sectional games where the extra official is not used the Section Fee as written in the contract will apply.

**GROUP 1:**

**Basketball (B/G)** – This would require league approval for any schools that should decide to use the three man crews during league play or playoffs and sectional approval for any games played at the sectional level. In September of 2008 the Section IV Schools voted to use three (3) officials for Section IV Boys & Girls Basketball Semi-Finals and Finals only. Again because of the extra official and the added expense the $5.00 Section Bonus would not apply when an extra official is used.

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**Football** – Past practice is to use five (5) paid officials for all sectional playoff games. With the new contract the extra $5.00 bonus would not apply.

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**Lacrosse (B/G)** – Past practice is to use three officials for the section finals. Three man crews used for any other Section IV or any League games or tournaments, would be subject to League or Section IV approval. Because of the use of an extra official and the added expense the $5.00 Section Bonus would not apply in this situation.

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**GROUP 2:**

**Baseball** – Past practice has been for the officials’ boards to give the section 3 for 2 for the Section IV finals. Beginning with the new contract, whenever extra crew officials are used full fees would be paid. Because of the use of an extra official and the added expense the $5.00 Section Bonus would not apply.

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**Soccer (B/G)** – At the March 2001 Section IV Council meeting the Athletic Council voted to use Three-Man Crew for both, boys and girls Section IV Finals Only. These are the fees. Individual schools could use three man crews at any time subject to league approval. Because of the use of an extra official and the added expense the $5.00 Section Bonus would not apply in this situations.

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**TRACK**

Track Meet - Number of Teams

1. If a school brings at least 6 - count as a team.
2. If a school brings less than 6 - no team.*

* If more than one school brings less than six but the accumulated number exceeds six, add one more team. Continue doing same in multiples of six, e.g. 6 - 1 team
   12 - 2 teams
   18 - 3 teams

**WRESTLING**

Dual Meets:

1) For instances where only one (1) official is used to officiate both the varsity and junior varsity meets:
   a. Extra Bout – any match that does not directly count towards the varsity dual meet score
   b. Any number of extra bouts that is greater than or equal to half the number of NYSPHSAA weight classes will be paid as a full junior varsity dual meet fee
   c. For any number of bouts less than half the number of NYSPHSAA weight classes, the fee will be calculated as followed:
      i. For extra bouts that are officiated before the start of the varsity match, those will be compensated at the JV exhibition fee
      ii. For extra bouts that occur after the start of the varsity match, those will be compensated at the varsity exhibition fee
   d. The extra bout fee will not be used unless the total number of matches officiated exceeds the total number of NYSPHSAA weight classes
   e. The exhibition fee schedule will be:
      i. Varsity $6.50
      ii. Junior Varsity $4.50
      iii. Modified $3.50

Tournament Fees:

1) Tournament fees will be based on number of bouts officiated.
2) A forfeit will be recognized as a bout under the same terms of the dual meet.
3) For Sectionals and League Championships, Article II, F., 1 and 2 of the original Agreement will be in effect.
4) Site Chairmen and assignors will determine the number of Officials for Tournaments.
5) Wrestlebacks will be handled as regular bouts and paid accordingly.
6) It is recommended to have at least one more official than the number of mats used
7) Wrestling Fees for Tournaments:
   a. Total number of matches wrestled (include forfeits, etc.)
   b. Divide by the number of NYSPHSAA weight classes
      i. When dividing, if the remainder is greater than or equal to half the number of NYSPHSAA weight classes, the number of dual meets will be rounded up.
   c. Multiply by dual meet fee.
   d. Divide by number of officials.