

OFFICIATING IN CT



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Call or email the CIAC Officials Association (203) 250-1111 or contact your sport(s) contact.



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Join a local or state board in your sport.



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Be cleared through a CIAC background check required of CIAC Officials Association members.



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Take part in training program(s) provided by your local board(s). Some boards have mentor programs for new officials.



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Learn more about the game and prepare for the NFHS rules exam.



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Observe veteran officials in as many games as possible.



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You are now ready to officiate youth, middle, or high school level games with opportunities to advance as you gain experience.



IMPORTANT ROLE OF OFFICIALS

High school officials are an essential part of interscholastic athletics. They promote good sportsmanship, ensure fair play, and uphold the rules that keep our games safe and respectful. By leading with integrity, officials help shape the lives of student-athletes and strengthen our schools and communities.

ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND COACHES: WE NEED YOUR HELP

Many former high school athletes develop into outstanding officials. With a word of encouragement from you, more of your athletes will consider staying involved in sports through officiating.

Please distribute this brochure and offer interested students/athletes the opportunity to join the officiating ranks. Quality officiating enhances high school athletics. Thanks for your help!



OFFICIALS BOARDS

The CIAC recognizes the importance and benefits of increasing the pool of officials to best serve our member schools.

We encourage and support your recruiting efforts to attract new officials to meet the growing demand on all levels of play. Please utilize this brochure and other recruiting strategies to accomplish this goal.



OFFICIALS
ASSOCIATION

GET IN THE GAME.

BECOME A SCHOOL SPORTS OFFICIAL



Stay in the sport.



Make an impact.



Get paid.

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