PNBOA
General Membership Meeting
24 October 2026

- Agenda
  - Welcome
  - Recognition
  - Assignor/WOA Report
  - Lezley Smith - Move to Improve Positioning and Improve to Move Up!
  - Updated WOA Officials Manual information
  - Let's Kahoot (download Kahoot App now)
  - President Report

Attending First PNBOA Meeting?

- Standup if you are a Transfer
  - Name
  - Where are you moving in from
  - What is your day job
  - Something unique about yourself
- Standup if you are a New official
  - Name
  - How did you hear about the PNBOA?
  - What is your day job
  - Something unique about yourself

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State Tournament Officials

BOYS	GIRLS
3A/4A - Tacoma	3A/4A - Tacoma
Reece King*	Mike Lloyd*
Rick Molen*	Lezley Smith*
Manuel Fernandez	Brandon Turner
1A/2A - Yakima	1A/2A - Yakima
Beau Brooks*	Shaylen Sharp
Mike Salyer	1B/2B - Spokane
1B/2B - Spokane	Riaz Kanji*
Mike Saito	Noel Bourke*

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* = Championship Game Official

2025-2026 PNBOA Hall of Fame Inductees

Casey Davidson



Rodney ‘Star’ Thornley



2026 WOA
Boys Basketball Official of the Year
Reece King



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Big Fella!

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Salima Kanji
Recreation Assignor

Upcoming Youth Rec Opportunities

- Nov 6-8 – Fall Classic
- Nov 6-8 – Falcon Classic
- Nov 20-22 – Wildcat Shootout
- Nov 27-29 – Newport Cold Turkey!
- Nov 27-29 – Juanita Thanksgiving
- Eastside Traveling League (ETL)
  - Play Starts Dec 5
  - $49 per league play games

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Lezley Smith

- 10 Time State Tournament Official
  - 5 Boys
  - 5 Girls including 2025-2026 3A Championship Game
- PNBOA Board of Directors for many years including President
- Co-Founding member of Referee Basic Training
- Women's Div II, Div III, NAIA and NWAC with numerous post-season assignments

WOA Officials Manual Update

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Preliminary Signal

- The new version of the manual maintains the fundamental foul calling sequence at the spot of the foul.
  - Color
  - Number (no fingering)
  - Foul (Visual Signal)
  - Consequence

- New officials should be taught to slow down at the spot of the foul and doing the entire signal sequence before reporting the foul to the table.

Preliminary Signal (cont)

- **<u>Varsity games only!</u>**
  - Except for Block/Charge plays signaling the type of foul is now optional.
  - Posting a foul (whistle with arm raised and a fist) and signaling the consequence (free throws or throw in spot) remain mandatory.
  - On block/charge plays, a preliminary foul signal remains mandatory.

Foul Reporting Changes

At all levels of basketball, officials shall now:

- Complete the foul calling sequence at the spot and dead ball officiate as long as necessary.
- Briskly walk with a purpose, establishing a direct line of sight and eye contact with the official scorekeeper.
- Clear all players, and then begin reporting the foul, while continuing to walk with a purpose, maintaining eye contact with the scorekeeper.
- Finish reporting the foul near their next position for the ensuing play.

Added Signals and Philosophy

- Crew Communication Signal
  - Pointing to Shot Clock when 10 seconds or lower.

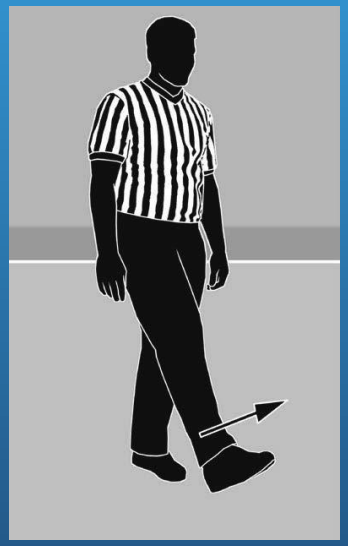


Trail and Center only

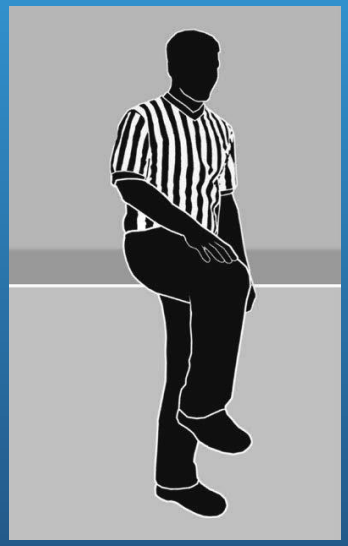
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Added Signals and Philosophy

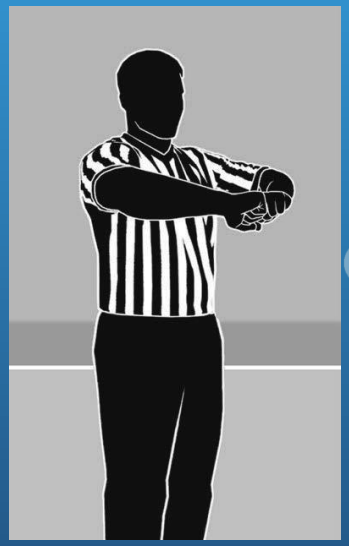
- New Foul Signals



Tripping



Dislodging with Knee



Chucking

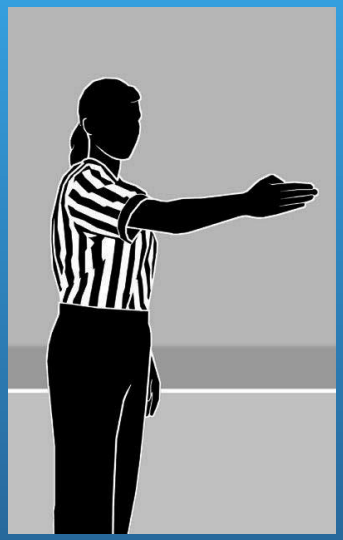
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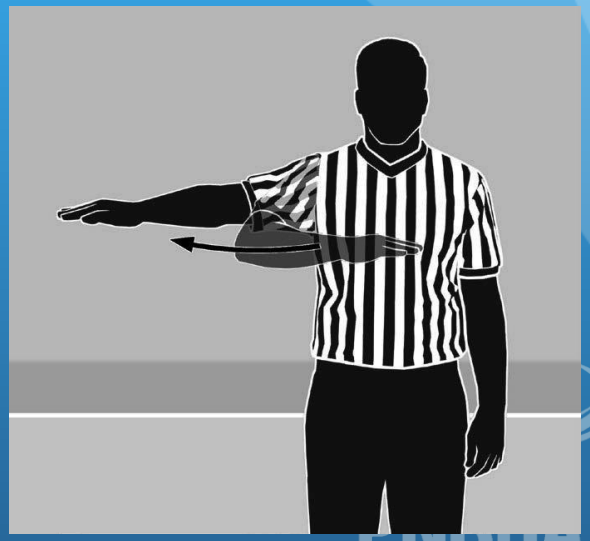
- Updated Signals



Start Clock
Use of Fist Acceptable



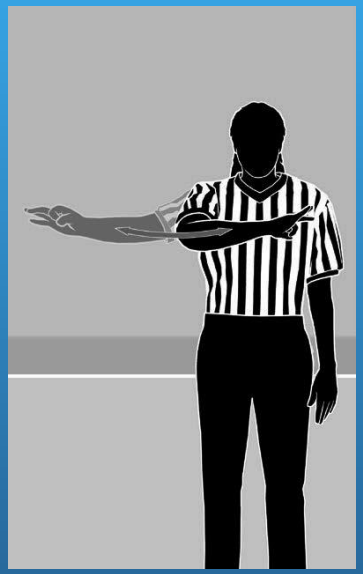
Directional Signal
One/Two Fingers Acceptable



Count
One/Two Fingers Acceptable

Added Signals and Philosophy

- Updated Signals Continued



Violation
3 Seconds



Blocking Foul
Using Fists are Acceptable



Player/Team Control Foul
Showing Directional Signal
Simultaneously is Acceptable

Added Signals and Philosophy

- These signals adds and modifications empower officials to tell the story of what happened, expediting communication and reducing the need to explain calls to coaches.
- Tell the story of what happened.
- Appropriately sell plays to the level they need to be sold to show confidence and credibility in the call.
  - Easy calls should be much calmer.
  - Harder/more consequential calls should have a little more "flavor" without appearing showy or attracting unnecessary attention.
- Officials should continue to use snap/command/energy in all signals.



3 Person Positioning Fundamentals

- Shot clock coverage language was added in the "End of Period" area, to group all "End of Clock" situations together.
- Shot clocks are dual responsibility between Trail and Center in 3-person, and Trail (with Lead assist if absolutely necessary) in 2-person.
- In 5 keys, "Referee the Defense" now includes offensive awareness. Mentally, think "70% defense, 30% Offense"
- New language on drives and rebounding to better align with a philosophy of "Best Open Look" taking primary on plays

3 Person Positioning Fundamentals Continued

- Extra emphasis has been placed on "Don't Guess".
  - If you have a closed look at the play, DO NOT blow your whistle even if in your PCA.
  - If the play spins/curls/pivots away from you, trust your partners on the decision because the look will open to someone else. "Curl away, stay away."
  - On these types of plays, officials (especially the Center) has a green light to extend coverage with the best open look.

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3 Person Positioning Fundamentals Continued

- Center positioning-screening and 1v1.
  - Center must position adjust up...2 to 3 steps usually does it...to receive and assist officiating screen/chucking the screener plays and to receive high 1v1 matchups.
  - Turning the shoulders doesn't to do it...position adjust up.

3 Person Positioning Fundamentals Continued

- Center must position adjust proactively rather than reactively when ball is about to enter PCA.
- Center should position adjust when a pass coming to their wing leaves the fingertips of the passer so they are stationary and in position with a clean angle when the pass is received.

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3 Person Positioning Fundamentals Continued

- Lead should continue to start wide when the ball is on their side of the floor in transition.
- They should now start wide in transition when the ball is in "Lane 2", the middle of the floor (between lane lines extended).
- Lead should go to closedown immediately if the ball is in Lane 3-outside the far lane line.

3 Person Positioning Fundamentals Continued

- Lead should be patient rotating and wait until the ball and action has truly settled beyond the opposite lane line.

- Lead should Rotate:
  - When anticipating a dump pass into the C side post
  - When ball penetrates below Free Throw extended and settles.
  - When there is a trap with no immediate cross-court pass.

- Lead should not rotate when the offense is spread and swing/skip passes back to the original side are likely.

3 Person Positioning Fundamentals Continued

- Trail should continue to attack plays, but should maintain Trail position, being behind and outside the ball.

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Let’s Kahoot



President Report

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ANNOUCEMENT:

Taped jewelry can be allowed at Rec contests BUT only when the organizer puts it in writing, in advance



No change for school games

Middle school and high school contests: enforce NFHS rules exactly as written.

What this means for officials

You keep the right to opt out — but the decision has to be made before you take the floor

You can

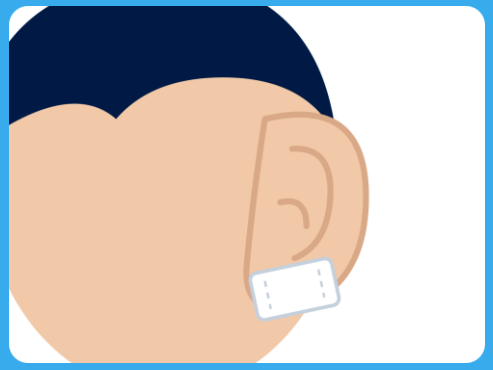
- Decline the assignment before the event if you are not comfortable with the modification
- Ask the Rec Assignor not to assign you to events that allow taped jewelry
- Check the rules sheet at the scorer's table to confirm what is allowed

You cannot

- Decide to not enforce the rule if the agreement is not in place.
- Change or override the modified rule at the game
- Refuse to work an assignment you accepted because players are wearing taped jewelry
- Apply the modification to school games

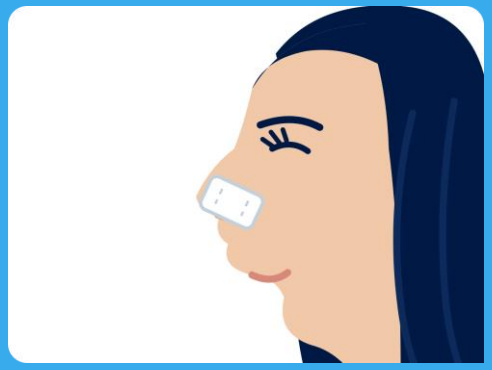
What “taped” means on the floor

Jewelry fully covered with athletic tape so no metal or stone is exposed — examples below



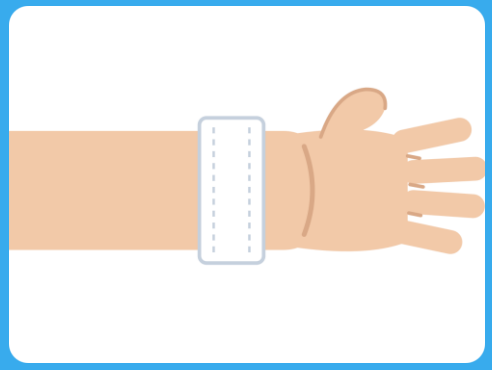
Taped earring

Stud or small hoop covered flat with tape over the ear lobe.



Taped nose piercing

Stud covered with a small piece of tape; nothing protruding.



Taped bracelet

Band secured to the wrist and fully wrapped with tape.

General Membership Meeting Dates

- Sunday 15 Nov Zoom – Time TBD
- Sunday 20 Dec Zoom – Time TBD
- Saturday 9 Jan Lake Washington HS - 9:00am (Elections)

Thank you everyone!

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