

NHFOA Uniform Policy

On-Field Uniform

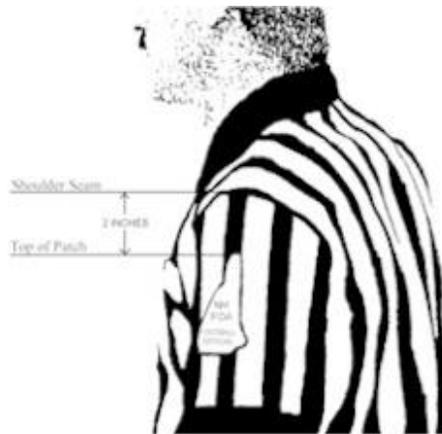
The following apparel items are mandatory. Every official is expected to have these items available at each assignment. The referee shall make the final decision regarding the official game uniform.

SHIRT

Standard black and white knit or new polyester wicking and fast drying material, one-inch vertically striped **Long and Short** sleeve shirts with pocket on the left breast, complete with knit black Byron collar and black cuffs. Members shall wear the NHFOA approved emblem sewn on the left sleeve according to the specifications shown below and the approved American Flag on the right sleeve with stars facing front (military style). All members of each crew must wear the same style shirt. Numbers on the shirt are prohibited.

NHFOA PATCH PLACEMENT

Patch goes on left sleeve
2 inches from shoulder seam
Iron on then sew with red thread



KNICKERS

Only to be worn for special occasion games such as the CHAD, Thanksgiving Day and “throwback” games upon unanimous crew vote. Official NCAA, one-piece socks shall be worn with knickers.

SHOES AND BELT

Black shoes with black laces and appropriate soles or cleats. Black belt, flat buckle, with a width no less than 1 ¼" and no more than 2" shall be worn. DRESS BELTS ARE PROHIBITED.

CAPS

Brooklyn style, sized (not adjustable), solid black cap with white piping (manufacturer logo is acceptable) shall be worn by all crew members but the referee. The referee shall wear the same style cap, but it shall be solid white. A “pro-mesh” style fitted hats may be worn in lieu of a wool hat.

JACKETS

Standard black and white poly, one-inch vertically striped reversible jackets with an all-black side, and knit black Byron collar and black cuffs is mandatory. The entire crew may wear jackets with the all-black side on the exterior during pre-game and intermissions, but not during a game. During a game, if any crew member wears a jacket then all crew members must wear a jacket and they must be worn striped side out. Numbers or emblems should not be on the jacket.

SHORTS

Standard black, polyester coaches' style shorts with tunnel loops and front and rear pockets may be worn. The inseam should be a length appropriate to adequately cover the thigh but not too long as to cover the kneecap. Compression shorts, when worn, shall not show from beneath the shorts. The Honig's black ankle sock B37A OR equivalent is recommended to be worn with shorts. Socks can be no longer than ankle height.



BLACK OFFICIAL PANTS

Pants shall be constructed with tunnel loops and front and rear pockets and contain a 1 ¼ - 2 inch white stripe. The pants shall be hemmed to the top of the shoe and worn with black socks.

Optional Uniform:

UNDERSHIRTS / TURTLENECKS

All undershirts or turtlenecks which show shall be black.

GLOVES

Cold weather gloves, when worn, shall be black.

Mandatory Auxiliary Equipment:

WHISTLE

Whistle and lanyard, or finger-style whistle shall be used (strongly recommend FOX 40 style). A back-up whistle should be carried. Pink whistle and lanyard are required when designated by the Council to recognize cancer awareness.

FOUL MARKER

Standard gold or black tipped foul marker shall be used. 2 Markers should be carried inconspicuously and shall not be altered with tape or other foreign material.

BEAN BAGS

Each member of the crew shall carry 2 black beanbags. The Back Judge and the Line Judge shall also carry a blue bean bag.

DOWN INDICATOR

Elastic down indicators shall be carried by all crew members.

WATCH

All black sports style, watch with countdown feature shall be worn. GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES ARE PROHIBITED.

INFORMATION CARD

An information card and pencil, to record pertinent game data such as coin toss results, captains/coaches names, shall be carried.

CHAIN CLIP

The Head Linesman shall supply a clip, used to mark the yard line closest to the rear stake of the line-to-gain equipment. The clip should be labeled in 5-yard increments to match the yard line markings. The Head Linesman shall also provide the chain crew with a bean bag used to mark the location of the box inside the 10-yard line in case it is moved during the down. This beanbag shall be blue or white so that it will not be confused with a beanbag thrown by an official to mark a spot.

25/60 Second Timing Device

The Back Judge shall wear a 25/60 second timing device (e.g., Ready Ref) for managing play count and timeouts.

NHFOA ASSIGNED, AUXILIARY CREW

GAME UNIFORM DRESS CODE

When requested, NHFOA assigns clock operators (timers) and Line-to-Gain Crews (chain gangs) as a service to schools that utilize NHFOA game officials.

Members accepting these assignments are eligible to receive a game fee depending upon the level of play and usual length of game. Games will be assigned and posted on Arbiter and game fee shall be noted.

All required items shall be as described in the NHFOA Uniform Dress Code found elsewhere under NHFOA Policies and Codes.

Proper Dress for **Clock Operator shall be:**

Cap: White (referee's cap--for visibility from field)

Striped Shirt: (sleeve length of choice)

Jacket: if needed, striped side out.

Pants: Choice of black shorts, black pants, civilian black or khaki pants

Equipment: back--up time piece in case of clock malfunction

Proper Dress for **Line-to-Gain Crew shall be:**

All crew members' uniforms SHALL match Cap: Black Striped

Shirt: NHFOA Standard Dark Green shirt. Crew must utilize home field auxiliary crew vest if provided.

Jacket: if needed, striped side out

Pants: Crew (all same) choice of black shorts, black pants or civilian khaki pants

Shoes: All black shoes

Equipment: Clip Operator shall provide two (2) clips