



2016 Newsletter from the Executive Board

An important message from the NYSCVOA webmaster:

Please do not call me at my place of employment (Oswego High School)

A. Please be sure that the email address is correct for all of your members on the nyscvoa.org website. The password recovery process and the exam process will not function properly without a correct e-mail address

B. When a member has lost or forgotten their password:

1. Have them go to the Public website, choose 'Members' menu, choose 'Lost Password' selection. Enter email address, and a link to reset the password will be sent to the email address entered.

2. Chairperson can go to the members profile page, and choose the 'Force Password Reset' link at the bottom right.

3. If both above don't work, then please fill out a ticket on the website 'Helpdesk' located on the 'Home' menu.

C. When administering the exam:

1. Be sure that the member's profile page shows that the current 'Dues Paid' is Yes.

2. Try to always use a laptop or desktop computer. This website has not been optimized to work with all smart-phones and tablet devices.

3. Your browser application must be set to allow cookies. This selection varies from browser to browser application. Usually in the preferences or settings. Recommended browsers are Chrome, Firefox, Opera or Safari.

4. If the emails of the exam results haven't/didn't arrive, then you can look up the exam results on the web site. On the Admin side of the web site, choose the 'Exam Menu' and the 'Board/Chapter Exam Scores' selection. A link to this page is also available on the new 'Chairperson Control Page'. You can click on the members name on the left, and see the exam's incorrect questions results. There is also a button on this page that will resend the emails to both you and the member with the results of the exam. The chairperson will get the copy shown, with the Rule References and page numbers, and the members will not.

5. Advise all members not to use the browser back button or the browser reload/refresh command while taking the exam. This will result in multiple blank copies of the exam being recorded.

D. Also new to the website is the Helpdesk. If you or members have tried everything above, and you are still experiencing difficulties, please submit a Helpdesk Ticket. This form can be found on the Public side under the 'Home' menu and on Admin side under the 'Help' menu and the 'Chairperson Control Page'.

NYSCVOA leadership is looking for input regarding a Chairperson Control Page on the Website. It will be designed to assist the Chair with records, exams, dues, etc... Please send ideas/recommendations to Kathy Gancarz, NYSCVOA Secretary/Treasurer.

Reminders for the 2016-2017 seasons:

The NYSCVOA exam will not be available after midnight on 9/17/2016. Any official working the fall season should take the exam prior to working a contest as this is part of the certification procedure.

The updated NYSCVOA Manual is on the website. It is current to include that Coaches are NOT allowed to receive yellow cards for unsporting conduct. (Manual page 8)

There has been issues with media on the court. Please keep in mind that if gym space does not allow for media and it presents a safety concern. The R1 makes the decision as to where the media personnel can stand. (Rule 1.4.2; page 11, NCAA)

“The playing area, in all cases, must be under the control of the first referee before and during a match. The first referee is responsible for deciding whether the playing area is suitable for play.”

Legal or not legal headgear?



Legal, the beads are flat and secured to the head.

Rule 7.2.3.3; page 29, NCAA states: “Braided hair with beads must be secured so as not to present a safety hazard to the player, teammates or opponents. If the beads are not secured, the team member may not play.”

Please be aware that any article worn by a player beyond the scope of the NCAA rulebook must be approved by NYSPHSAA.

Below is the rule for interrupted lines on a court. Please keep in mind if there is not a waiver in place, NCAA rules apply.

Situation #1:

A playing court has an interrupted sideline due to a logo on the court.

Ruling #1:

Illegal

Pg. 9 – Rule 1.2.2.1 – “Two solid (uninterrupted) sidelines ... mark the playing court.”

Situation #2:

A playing court has an interrupted end line due to basketball court markings.

Ruling #2:

Illegal

Pg. 9 – Rule 1.2.2.1 – “... two solid (uninterrupted) end lines (short lines) mark the playing court.”

Situation #3:

A playing court has no center line in the middle of the court due to a team logo.

Ruling #3:

Illegal

Pg. 9 – Rule 1.2.2.2 – ... “The center line may have any or all of the following characteristics”

Rule 1.2.2.2.1 A solid (uninterrupted) line.

Rule 1.2.2.2.2 A solid interrupted line: 10-centimeter line, 5-centimeter break, 10-centimeter line, 5-centimeter break, etc. (4-inch line, 2-inch break, 4-inch line, 2-inch break, etc.)

Rule 1.2.2.2.3 A shadow-bordered line with .64-centimeter (1/4 inch) borders.”

Please note: A school must obtain a waiver from NYSPHSAA if they intend to deviate from the above rules.