STANDARD UNIFORMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE NEW MEXICO OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

The following represents the standard required uniforms for officials in the New Mexico Officials Association. Any modification to or deviation from these uniform standards must be petitioned, in writing, to the NMAA Executive Board through the NMAA Managers of Officials Services. Some modifications for members of a local association (i.e., American flags on uniforms or commemorative patches) may be approved via written request to the NMAA Managers of Officiating Services.

BASEBALL

1. **Shirt**: Clean, pressed, collared shirt. New Mexico allows umpires to wear umpires' shirts in the following colors: light blue, navy blue, black, grey and cream. Umpires are also permitted to wear baseball shirts with the side panel down the side of the shirt and its sleeve (long and short sleeved, sky blue and black). Same color restrictions as above. All umpires on the crew must wear the same color and style of shirt.
   a. For all shirts except navy blue, umpires will wear a black undershirt. For navy blue shirts, umpires will wear navy-blue undershirts.
   b. A navy blue or black sweater (worn on base only), blazer, windbreaker or wind shirt worn over the appropriate shirt is acceptable. Long-sleeved shirts worn underneath the collared shirt are not acceptable except for umpires who have medical conditions which require the use of long-sleeves. This must be approved in advance by the NMAA office.
2. **Jacket**: The NFHS navy blue pullover, or black pullover are also allowed for cold weather games. All umpires on the same crew must wear the same style and color shirt for a given game. A navy, light blue or black undershirt may be substituted for a shirt when wearing a coat.
3. **Pants**: Clean and pressed charcoal grey slacks. Because different manufacturers have different colors of grey, any manufacturer's heather grey color will suffice.
4. **Hats:** Black hats with the NMOA logo are to be worn with all shirts except the navy-blue shirt. When wearing navy blue shirts, umpires must wear a navy-blue hat with the NMOA logo. ***Hats with logos are mandatory***.
5. **Shoes:** Shoes must be all black or black with white trim.
6. **Belts:** Belts must be all black.
7. **Ball bags:** Black ball bags should be used with all shirts except navy blue. Navy blue ball bags should be used with navy blue shirts and navy-blue hats.
8. **Socks:** Socks may be navy-blue or black.
9. **Accessories/Protective Equipment:** The plate umpire needs to have a ball and strike indicator, a small whisk broom, a protective supporter and cup, ball bag (black or navy), lineup cards and a pen or pencil for lineup changes. A chest protector, sturdy mask (with a mandatory throat protector) and shin guards are standard equipment for a plate umpire.

BASKETBALL

1. **Shirt:** Black and white vertically striped, short sleeved official shirt. Shirt shall be V-neck (no collar). The shirts with the wide side panel, all-black sleeves may be used (NCAA Men's Shirt) or grey body with white pin stripes and black sleeves (NCAA Women's) may be used, provided that all officials on the crew are wearing the same shirt.
2. **Pants:** Black pants with no flares.
3. **Socks:** Black socks.
4. **Shoes:** Entirely black shoes with black laces.
5. **Whistle:** Black whistles and black lanyard are required. It is recommended that officials carry a spare whistle with them.
6. **Jacket:** Solid black, athletic, zip jackets, with the NMOA logo on the left sleeve are required for all basketball referees. No other logo or adornment may be placed on the jacket. These jackets may be purchased through vendors at any of the links below:

FOOTBALL

1. **Shirt:** Black and white vertically striped, long or short-sleeved knit shirt shall be worn. 2 ¼-inch striped shirts are mandatory with the American flag above the pocket. The flag must go above the pocket (that is the most common for manufacturers), with white piping (if a patch) or sublimated directly onto the shirt. All officials in a given game are to wear the same type shirt (i.e., short or long sleeves).
2. **Pants:** Football officials must wear black pants with a white stripe. Pants may be worn with either long-sleeved shirts or short-sleeved shirts (or jackets) and black socks must be part of the uniform.
    - Football officials may wear black shorts at any level, with the approval of the local association. Each local association is given the authority to choose whether they will utilize black shorts or if they will not allow the use of shorts at all.
2. **Belt:** A black leather belt 1 ¼ to 2 inches wide with a plain buckle shall be worn (either with pants or shorts).
3. **Socks:** Solid black socks are worn with black pants, and short black socks will be worn with shorts.
4. **Shoes:** Black football shoes with black laces are required. Shoes should be shined before each game.
5. **Hat:** Black baseball-style cap with white piping is required. The Referee shall wear a solid, white baseball-style cap. Caps must be fitted.
6. **Jacket:** For inclement weather games, officials may also wear a black and white vertically striped jacket.
7. **Accessories:** All officials must have the proper equipment, including a whistle, penalty marker, blue or white bean bag (all officials on the crew must have the same color), game card, pencil and rubber bands/down marker. The penalty marker shall be a light gold flag (15 x 15 inches) with a middle pouch weighted with sand or beans, etc. The linesman shall furnish a clipping device for use in measuring first downs. The line judge / back judge shall have a countdown timer.

POWERLIFTING

1. **Shirt:** Black Polo
2. **Pants:** Black Slacks (no sweats)
3. **Shoes:** Primary Black Shoes
4. **Hat:** No Headwear

SOCCER

1. **Shirt:** Officials shall wear the most recent U.S. Soccer Federation (USSF) style uniform in red, yellow, blue, black, green, or pink. The shirts may be long-sleeved or short-sleeved. All officials on the crew must wear the same color shirt with the same sleeve length.
- **Exception**: Officials assigned to an NMAA State Soccer Final may elect to wear a different style of referee uniform.
2. **Shorts:** Black shorts. Long black pants are permissible by NFHS rule for inclement weather.
3. **Shoes and Socks:** Predominantly black shoes with black socks that have two (2) white stripes.
4. **Accessories:** Two whistles, flags, yellow card, red card, two stop watches, flipping coin, pencil, and scorecard.
5. **Hat:** If worn, a hat must be solid black.
6. **Patch**: An NMOA soccer official's patch or NMAA State Soccer Championship patch must be worn for games.

SOFTBALL

1. **Shirt and Slacks** – Shirts and slacks shall be clean, wrinkle free and not faded or stained. All members of the crew shall wear the same uniform combination. Umpires shall wear one of the following uniform combinations:
   - Sky Blue pullover shirt with Black panels and Charcoal Gray slacks.
   - Other shirt color options that may be worn with the Charcoal Gray slacks are Charcoal Gray with Black side panels or Black with Charcoal Gray side panels.
2. **Undershirt** – Undershirts shall be clean and not faded.
   - Undershirts shall be solid White or Black and shall not be imprinted with any designs.
   - It may be short or long sleeve.
   - Members of the crew may wear a combination of short or long sleeve, but all members shall wear the same color undershirt.
3. **Belt** – A belt shall be worn. The belt shall be clean, shined, and free of tears or cracks.
   - The belt shall be black.
   - The belt shall have a small unadorned buckle.
   - A Patent Leather belt is optional provided it meets the requirements above.
4. **Socks:** Black socks that are at least mid-calf in length shall be worn. They shall be clean, unadorned, and not faded.
5. **Shoes:** Shoes, plate and base, shall be solid black and unadorned with black shoes strings. Shoes shall be clean and shined.
   - Plate umpire's shoes should offer the maximum protection with a hard shell or steel reinforced toe and steel or reinforced tongue.
   - Soles should provide good traction.
   - Patent Leather shoes, plate and base, are optional provided they meet the requirements above.
6. **Hat** – The hat shall be fitted and clean and free of stains.
   - A Black hat with the NMOA logo shall be worn when wearing Charcoal Gray slacks.
   - The hat shall never be worn backwards.
7. **Ball Bag** – A ball bag is mandatory for the Plate Umpire. Base Umpires shall not wear a ball bag. The ball bag shall be clean, wrinkle free and not faded.
   - A Black ball bag shall be used when wearing Charcoal Gray slacks.
   - The ball bag should be able to hold two softballs, and two ball bags are recommended.
8. **Additional Upper Body Items** – Outerwear, jackets, is optional dependent upon the weather. It should be clean, wrinkle-free and free of stains.
   - The jacket may be a short zipper pullover or a full zipper jacket.
   - It shall have a Navy-Blue body with Light Blue and White stripes on the shoulders.
9. **Protective Equipment and Accessories** – The following items are additional items and shall be kept clean and in working order:
   - A black colored face mask with a throat protector, either through the extension of the mask or attached, is required. The exterior visible portion of the padding should be black. A sun shield that is attached to the mask is allowed.
   - The chest protector, which fits comfortably under the shirt, is strongly recommended.
   - The leg guards, which fit comfortably under the slacks, are strongly recommended.
   - Each umpire shall have a ball/strike indicator.
   - Each umpire should carry a bat ring.

SPIRIT

1. **Shirt:** Black polo shirt, with grey striping down the side and Compete with Class Logo on the left chest (available for order through the NMAA).
2. **Pants:** The required polo shirt should be worn with slacks or skirts so that judges are professional and uniform in appearance while serving our member schools.
3. **Jacket:** ¼ zip pull-over with NMOA logo.

SWIMMING

1. **Shirt:** White, short-sleeved, collared polo shirt. Women may wear a white, sleeveless collared shirt as an option as well. ***The Meet Referee may designate alternate official uniforms for those meets conducted using a preliminary/final format.***
2. **Pants:** Navy blue pants, shorts, or skirt. Sweatpants, jeans, leggings and tights are not permitted.
3. **Shoes:** White shoes are recommended, although sandals or flip-flops are permitted, due to exposure to water.

VOLLEYBALL

1. **Shirt:** Solid White short-sleeved or long-sleeved collared polo shirt, with or without the NMOA logo. The shirt may or may not have a pocket OPTIONAL: Officials have the option to wear the new Cyan Blue or Grey Polo Shirt with the NMOA Logo. Officials also may wear a solid pink collared polo shirt during the month of October. When two officials are assigned to a match as an R1 and R2, both officials must wear the same color shirt. **Exception:** Shirt colors may vary for tournament play.
2. **Pants:** Black slacks. If the slacks have belt-loops, wear a black belt. Jeans and/or sweatpants are not permitted. By state adoption, officials may wear dress shorts while officiating NMAA sanctioned matches. If shorts are worn, both Referee 1 and Referee 2 must wear them. Officials are advised to contact their partners prior to the match to ensure they are wearing the same uniform. Shorts WILL NOT be permitted for post-season competitions, beginning with district tournaments.
3. **Shoes and Socks:** Solid black athletic shoes and black socks are required with black pants. By state adoption, if officials choose to wear shorts, they may wear either solid black athletic shoes with black socks or unadorned solid white shoes with white socks. If shorts are worn, both Referee 1 and Referee 2 must match. It is advised that officials contact their partners prior to matches to ensure you are wearing the same uniform, including shoes and socks. No show socks are not permitted.
4. **Outerwear:** Officials may wear long-sleeved outerwear (sweater, jacket, or pullover, but not a sweatshirt or button-down cardigan). If the outerwear has a zipper, it must be zipped up at least 3/4 of the way. Outerwear must be solid-colored (white, black, grey, or NMOA-logoed). When wearing outerwear, the polo must be worn underneath, with the polo collar pulled out over the collar of the outerwear. Outerwear does not need to match between officials.
5. **Accessories:** For the first referee, a whistle and lanyard are required. The whistle and lanyard may be either black or white. A set of yellow and red cards, a coin, and a chain to measure the net are also required. For the second referee, a whistle, a set of yellow and red cards, and a coin are required. Lineup cards are optional. It is recommended that officials also have a ball pump, a pressure gauge, and a set of flags for line judges. All referees should also have the NFHS Rulebook and NFHS Casebook readily available courtside for reference, either in hard copy or with access to the online version of each.

WRESTLING

1. **Shirt:** Short-sleeved gray shirt with black pinstripes. ***The shirt must have a sublimated NMOA logo on the left chest.***
2. **Pants:** Full-length black trousers.
3. **Belt**: Black belt, if worn.
4. **Shoes and Socks:** Black socks and black wrestling/gym shoes.
5. **Accessories:** A red armband on the left wrist, a green armband on the right wrist, a two-colored disk, a black lanyard, a black whistle (preferably not a hand-whistle) and a kit to conduct the random draw.

NMOA Online Vendors:

Purchase Officials Supply (NMOA supplier):
https://purchaseofficials.com/collections/new-mexico/products/nmoa-smitty-stand-up-collar-referee-jacket

Ump Attire (NMOA supplier):
Umpire Equipment and Clothing | Referee Gear and Uniforms - Ump-Attire.com

Honigs:
Referee & Umpire Gear for Sports Officials | Honig's

Officials Gear Outlet(NMOA supplier):
https://officialsgearoutlet.com/collections/basketball-referee-jacket/products/nmoa-smitty-stand-up-collar-referee-jacket

Officials Timeout(NMOA supplier):
https://theofficialstimeout.com/collections/utah-hs/products/nmoa-smitty-stand-up-collar-referee-jacket

MT Needles Embroidery(NMOA supplier):
https://www.mtneedlesembroidery.com/si/753594685/bks232m/smitty-black-jacket-with-knit-cuff

Smitty Outlet Store:
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