

NMAA/NMOA Spirit Officials Information

All judges will register through the NM Officials Association and be referred to as Spirit Officials.

See requirements below:

- NMOA registration submitted and paid by printed deadline (\$80 by September 1st of same year)
- Must be at least 18 years of age.
- Minimum experience (coach, participant, judge, etc.) 1 year to be a performance official, 3 years to be a technical official.
- Must complete online Cheer and Dance Safety Course
- Technical Officials must pass current year's Spirit Rules test with an 85% by October 15th of same year.
- Must attend 1 Spirit Officials Clinic every year to be a performance official.
- Must attend 1 Spirit Officials Clinic every year to be a technical official.

Anyone meeting the above requirements is eligible for judging. An active/inactive coach may register to be an official and may judge competitions assuming:

1. The school at which the coach/inactive presides or did preside is not participating in the competition.
2. The active coach/inactive coach has not acted as a consultant to any teams participating in the competition.
3. Teams from the active /inactive coach's district and of the same classification are not participating in the competition.

Officials will be trained to judge in both disciplines but are not required to judge both.

Spirit officials will be held to the applicable NMOA by-laws.

Spirit (All Classes)

\$100 Minimum (up to 4 hours) – Tech Judge(s), \$25/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$200 max for the day)
 \$80 Minimum (up to 4 hours) – Performance Judge(s), \$20/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$160 max for the day)

TRAVEL RING FEES AND HOTEL PER DIEM

Officials' expenses for regular season and play-off games/matches in all sports:

- (1) Hotel Per diem (over 150 miles one way) is \$125 per day, per official, providing the official spends the night and communicates with the host.
- (2) Each Official working the contest will receive a set rate based on the number of miles, one-way, from the Official's home to the contest site, per the following schedule:

One-Way Miles to Contest Site	0-25	26-50	51-100	101-150	151-200	201-250	251-300	301-350	351-400	401-450	451-500	501-550
Travel Fee Per Official	\$0	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$80	\$90	\$100	\$110	\$120	\$130

Judges training will be scheduled on a yearly basis and advertised via the NMAA website.

Please contact Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, with questions.
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