



NMAA OFFICIAL BALLOT
SENIOR HIGH REFERENDUM
June 6, 2022



Due Date: June 20, 2022

Upon direction of the Board of Directors, the New Mexico Activities Association is asking member schools **that participate in the sport of football** to vote on the issue below. Please read through the entire referendum before selecting your response. Thank you for your participation in the governance of your organization and for your support of interscholastic activities.

Football Bylaw 7.15.1.K – Coaches Education

This proposal would adjust football bylaws to reflect the new NFHS Football Tackling course that replaces the USA Football Heads Up Certification.

Amend Bylaw 7.15.1.K to read as follows (changes underlined):

7.15.1.K Coaches Education – Football Coaches must complete the NFHS Learn Football Tackling Course. It is the responsibility of the school district to ensure that each coach has this certification, which is current for four (4) years from the date of completion. This requirement is for ALL middle school / junior high and high school coaches.

**NOTE – Coaches that have previously taken the USA Football Heads Up Course do not need to take the new course until their original certification expires (expiration is 4-years from the date of completion).*

Rationale: Since June of 2016, football coaches have been required to become “USA Football Heads Up Certified” as part of NMAA bylaws. The program included four courses from the NFHS Learn website: Concussion in Sports, Sudden Cardiac Arrest, Heat Illness, and Blocking/Tackling/Equipment Fitting. The football specific course was created by USA Football and cost each coach \$10 to complete. The NMAA was able to offset this cost through a partnership with the Denver Broncos which has since lapsed. The NFHS, however, has now created a free Football Tackling course that will replace the USA Football Heads Up program. NMAA Bylaws need to be updated to reflect this change. It should be noted that the new coaches education requirement would not include the additional NFHS courses.

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Wrestling Bylaw 7.24.1.D – Match/Meet Limitation

This proposal would adjust bylaws to add to the wrestling match/meet limitation rule a standardized point value for conducting each district's district dual meet requirement.

7.24.1.D Match/Meet Limitation – Each varsity team/individual is limited to thirty-two (32) competition points prior to the regional tournament. Each sub-varsity team/individual is limited to 28 competition points prior to the regional tournament. Competition points are as follows (new verbiage underlined):

- Dual Meet – 1 point
- Double Dual/Triangular – 2 points
- Quad/One-Day Tournament – 3 points
- District Dual Meet Requirement for districts with 6 or fewer schools – 3 points
- Two-Day Tournament with Single or Double Elimination – 4 points
- District Dual Meet Requirement for districts with 7-8 schools – 4 points
- District Dual Meet Requirement for districts with 9 or more schools – 5 points
- Two-Day Multi-School Event with No/Limited Elimination – 6 points

Rationale: Per NMAA bylaw 7.24.3, each wrestling school must compete in a dual meet competition against each member of the district to determine the district team champion and to be eligible for post-season participation. To complete this requirement, they are allowed to use any of the allowed point formats under bylaw 7.24.1.D. Due to the varying number of schools in each district, along with the inability of many schools to field full teams, applying a standardized value to the completion of the district dual meet requirement would provide the following benefits:

- Provides district schools additional equity in utilizing competition points to complete all district dual meets
- Provides schools additional flexibility in scheduling their district dual meets
- Provides additional simplicity for scheduling and utilizing the 32-point varsity competition limit

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Bylaw 7.6.22 – All-Star Games

This proposal would amend bylaws so that All-Star Games hosted by the New Mexico High School Coaches Association could take place at any time during the year.

Current Bylaws:

7.6.22 All-Star Games

- A. All-star games must be sanctioned/approved by the NMAA Commission to comply with NCAA regulations regarding scope and number, when applicable.
- B. Each contest must be sponsored or co-sponsored by the New Mexico High School Coaches Association.
- C. Only graduating seniors are eligible to participate.
- D. Games must be held after the academic completion of the respective school year unless specific games are approved by the NMAA Commission & NMAA Board of Directors on a yearly basis.
- E. Rules/policies of games shall be submitted to the NMAA for prior approval. All rules/regulations of the NMAA must be in effect to achieve sanctioning.
- F. Net proceeds from the game should be used for a charitable purpose.

Proposal:

*ELIMINATE 7.6.22.D and EDIT 7.6.22.C to read as follows:

Only current seniors that are academically eligible per NMAA standards and on pace to graduate, or have graduated, may participate.

Rationale: The NMHSCA held its 2021-2022 Fall & Winter All-Star Games during the school year with great success. This change would allow the NMHSCA to continue to do this on a permanent basis.

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Bylaw 7.7.4 – Crowd Control

This proposal would add to crowd control bylaws so that an administrator or administrator’s designee must be present for all home contests and at potentially contentious away contests.

7.7.4 – Crowd Control *(new verbiage underlined)*

A school is responsible for the conduct of its team, coaches, students, and fans at any interscholastic event in which the school is participating. The basic responsibility for crowd control lies with the host administration who are required to provide an administrator or administrator’s designee to be in attendance. It is also recommended that the visiting school provide an administrator or administrator’s designee for any potentially contentious contests. In both situations, the administrator and/or administrator’s designee cannot be a coach participating in the event. The Executive Director may invoke penalties upon a member school for actions, which violate the principles of “Compete with Class.” These actions include, but are not limited to, hindering the normal progress of an event, creating situations that may lead to the restriction or discontinuance of interscholastic competition, or endangering or threatening the personal safety of any individuals involved. Unsportsmanlike conduct by coaches, students, and/or spectators may cause the school or individual to be placed on probation or suspension for 180 school days/365 calendar days (See also 7.6.23).

Rationale: Adjustment of the rule is necessary to ensure an administrator or capable designee is on site to manage crowd control issues as well as any emergencies or other situations which may occur during the course of competition.

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Bylaws 7.4 & 7.5 – Recruitment / Undue Influence & Out-of-Season / Summer Coaching

This proposal would adjust NMAA Bylaws within Section 7.4 and 7.5 that reflect the recent changes to out-of-season coaching that were passed by the Board and via Referenda in May.

Sections 7.4 & 7.5 of the NMAA Handbook have been completely revised. The new bylaws have been placed after this referenda ballot as the next eight pages of the full document (pages 6-13).

Rationale: Establish stricter guidelines and parameters for undue influence, recruitment, and students following a coach bylaws and reinforce organization philosophies regarding multi-sport participation.

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