

RMN Officials Job Duties and Responsibilities

This document is designed to provide a basic understanding of what RMN expects for all officials and their job responsibilities.

During your time as officials for your state, you have been responsible for not only knowing the rules but enforcing them according to NFHS rules, your states officiating group, and each state's governing body for Athletics concerning athletes and teams while on the mat and during a meet.

State and national bodies do not ask the officials to enforce the rules concerning eligibility of athletes, number of fans in the seats, or how school administrations handle issues with students, parents, coaches, or staff. Therefore, we remind you that RMN has guidelines that Management has established for tournaments.

RMN does not expect you to know these management guidelines, enforce, or even understand them completely. RMN expects when you are asked a question about management policies that you direct and advise coaches and or parents to seek understanding from either our Head Official or Tournament Directors - not tournament staff, admissions, or support personnel.

Officials

You have been chosen by the Head Official to officiate mats and matches at a RMN event. Your job is critical in making sure coaches' questions are resolved and addressed as quickly and efficiently as possible. Your job is simply to officiate matches on mats. **Normal rules apply except for the MOD document that RMN has for our events.** This is located on our website under Officials

Chain of Command: When a coach disagrees with your interpretation of the rule or doesn't understand a call, do not get upset or take it personally. If the coach still doesn't agree with your call and requests a head official, please honor that request and follow the **chain of command - Pod leader > AHO > HO > Tournament Director(s).**

All issues and requests will go to POD leaders, AHO, or HO. Your primary go-to person should be your POD Leader. They are there to help you, by discussing with you and walking you through what you saw and the criteria you used to make that call.

PROCESS:

- Have quick discussions with coaches to resolve "on mat" issues
- Call for a POD leader (if not available ask for AHO, and last request should be for HO)
- Discuss situation with Leadership (POD, AHO, or HO)
- Move to the Center of mat away from discussion
- If a video review is needed, go with reviewer and watch video
- Render decision, discuss with coaches and continue on with match
- If the coach is still in disagreement and asks for a head official, please honor and call for AHO or HO.
- **PLEASE KEEP COACH AND WRESTLERS ON THE MAT**
- Allow the AHO or HO to handle the situation.

YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO DO A VIDEO REVIEW YOURSELF!!!
ONLY POD, AHO, or HO ARE ALLOWED TO DO THIS!

DO NOT review coaches or parents personal videos or give comments on another official's match. **It is extremely unprofessional when you do this.**