

RMN POD Leaders Job Duties and Responsibilities

This document is designed to provide a basic understanding of what RMN expects for all officials who serve in leadership positions and details each job title's 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. Every state asks officials to make decisions concerning teams and rules 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 doesn't expect officials to know these Management guidelines, enforce, or even understand them completely. We expect when or if you are asked a question concerning the management side of these decisions, please 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.

Pod Leaders

You have been chosen by the Head Official to be a "working leader" for a group of officials on a specific group of mats. Your job is critical in making sure coaches' questions and discussions are resolved and addressed quickly and efficiently. When a coach disagrees with an official's interpretation of the rule and a head official is requested, you will be the primary go-to person and will perform the video review. If you are unavailable then it will be the responsibility of AHO to handle questions and reviews. You will be given training to do Video Reviews (separate documents) and have a checklist (separate document) that details what can and can't be reviewed. Please keep your AHO and HO informed of all decisions.

- REMEMBER to keep both wrestlers and coaches at the mat.
- Responsible for discussing the situation with the "on mat" official.
- Have quick discussions with coaches to resolve "on mat" issues.
- Keep control of the situation, render a decision, and return control to the "on mat" official and allow the match to resume quickly.
- IF a video review is requested (review the RMN video review checklist) to determine if the review should be allowed. If allowed, proceed with "on mat" official and review the video, make the necessary decision, address the situation and determine the outcome.
- If the video is NOT allowable (per the RMN video review checklist) discuss with the coach as to what criteria was missing, return control to "on mat" officials and continue the match.
- If review was NOT allowed please make a note and inform HO or AHO of the reason, so that they may keep a record and inform tournament directors.

DO NOT review coaches or parents personal videos or give comments on another official's match.

It is extremely unprofessional when you do this.