

NORTHERN VIRGINIA FOOTBALL OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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**Dear Prospective NVFOA Member:**

Enclosed is information pertaining to membership in the Northern Virginia Football Officials Association, Inc. [NVFOA] and Virginia High School League, Inc. [VHSL].

The enclosed application paperwork is specifically for officials who are either new to football officiating, have less than one full year of experience at the Varsity-level, or who cannot provide documentation of their previous varsity experience. If you are an official who can provide documentation of at least one full year of experience working Varsity-level games, please request (or download) our application for "Transfer / Experienced" officials.

Please complete both applications and return with your personal check in the sum of \$100.00 directly to the "Office of the Commissioner" at the above address. Your personal check should be made payable to "NVFOA". {At the request of the VHSL, please **do not** send either the VHSL application or your check directly to them.}

Please direct all inquiries about this enrollment procedure to me at the above address or telephone.

Thank you very much for your interest and best regards. NVFOA looks forward to your joining our organization.

Dennis S. Hall, Commissioner

**Enclosures**

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## NVFOA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER: \_\_\_\_\_ BUSINESS TEL.: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ SOCIAL SECURITY NO.: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_ WEIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL1: \_\_\_\_\_ (Required) EMAIL2: \_\_\_\_\_ (Recommended)

HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ (Name and location of school) YEAR GRADUATED: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE: \_\_\_\_\_ (Name and location of college) YEAR GRADUATED: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOLS YOUR CHILDREN ATTEND: \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF ANOTHER FOOTBALL OFFICIAL'S ASSOCIATION? \_\_\_\_\_ (yes or no)

IF "YES", LIST NAME AND LOCATION OF THE ASSOCIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

LIST FOOTBALL PLAYING EXPERIENCE: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

LIST PREVIOUS OFFICIATING EXPERIENCE: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OUR ASSOCIATION? \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU ACQUAINTED WITH ANY MEMBERS OF OUR ASSOCIATION? \_\_\_\_\_ WHO? \_\_\_\_\_ (yes or no)

**[If you wish to furnish additional information about your prior officiating experience, please use the reverse side of this application.]**

**[ Please make one (1) check payable to the "NVFOA" for \$100.00. The application fee includes \$65.00 to cover the cost of NVFOA membership fees and your training materials. The remaining \$35.00 is for membership in the Virginia High School League, Inc. (VHSL) and includes their mandatory liability insurance policy. If your membership application is not approved, all fees will be refunded. However, if your membership application is approved, all fees are non-refundable. ]**

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## *TRAINING INFORMATION FOR YEAR 2009 PROSPECTIVE TRAINEES AND/OR TRANSFERS*

- ◆ Training Schedule for 2009 will be posted online at [www.nvfoa.com/training\\_program.htm](http://www.nvfoa.com/training_program.htm) when available.

### *REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO THE TRAINING PROGRAM*

- ◆ Complete and return the enclosed NVFOA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, VHSL [Virginia High School League] FOOTBALL GAME OFFICIAL'S APPLICATION, and one (1) check **payable to "NVFOA"** for **\$100.00**.
- ◆ Your fee of **\$100.00** covers both the NVFOA membership application fee and the VHSL registration fee. The NVFOA Application Fee (\$65.00) covers Year 2010 Annual Dues of \$25.00 and a one-time \$40.00 NVFOA Application Fee for new members to cover the cost of training materials. The remaining \$35.00 fee includes VHSL's Registration [including Rule Book, Case Book, Officials Manual, and Simplified & Illustrated Rule Book] and the VHSL's mandatory liability insurance.
- ◆ Please **DO NOT** write a separate check to the VHSL.
- ◆ Conform to personal appearance requirements. In summary, this Association does not permit beards to be worn on the field. Mustaches must be neatly trimmed. Hair must not extend beyond the top of the shirt collar. Specific details of dress code and personal appearance requirements will be provided at the initial training session/orientation. Date and time to be determined.
- ◆ **One of our initial meetings will be an "Orientation Session"**. It is designed to provide you with a detailed overview about football officiating in Northern Virginia, address your questions in considerable detail and alleviate any fears you may have about embarking on a football officiating career. Additionally, you will be given the opportunity to meet [usually one – on – one] with an experienced regular member or Training Committee member to have dialogue about NVFOA's expectations of you and what you should expect from NVFOA.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- ◆ Experienced officials transferring-in from another Association are required to attend a minimum of one [1] season of training to learn NVFOA mechanics and demonstrate their knowledge of National Federation rules and on-field officiating skills.
- ◆ New [inexperienced] officials can expect to work regularly in Youth League and Freshman scholastic games. New officials who demonstrate the ability to handle more intense contests could be assigned to Junior Varsity games. New officials who have no previous experience will not be assigned to Varsity games during the first year of training.

## EARNINGS

- ◆ Game fees for Youth Leagues start at \$35 per man, per game, usually in 2 or 3 game sets. Scholastic game fees range from \$50 to \$83 depending on the level [Freshman – Junior Varsity – Varsity], the VHSL classification [A – AA – AAA], and the number of officials [three or four for sub-varsity games and four, five, six or seven for varsity games]. Electric Clock Operators [ECOs] are also paid positions.
- ◆ You will be provided a complete Fee Schedule before the season begins. **[The Association deducts 11% from every official's game fees to defray Association operating expenses.]**

## OTHER INFORMATION

- ◆ If you have any questions about the Training Program, please call the Training Chairman [Dennis Dahnert] at 540-270-0456; or the Commissioner [Mr. Dennis Hall] at 540-837-1316.
- ◆ Questions about the Association or other matters should be directed to the Secretary-Treasurer [Mr. Greg Storer] at 703-670-0671 or 202-828-5659; or the Commissioner [Mr. Dennis Hall] at 540-837-1316.

Thank you for your interest in the NVFOA!

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