

NORTH COAST SECTION/LES SCHWAB TIRES BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS
GAME ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Eligible Associations

1. Associations must be accredited by the California Interscholastic Federation and have attended the CIF Rule Interpreters Meeting for the current year in order to officiate NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship events.
2. Assignment of first round, quarterfinal, semi-final and final games is based upon the percentage of schools serviced by the association (percentage of schools serviced x number of playoff games = number of assignments). The number of assignments is rounded up or down to the nearest whole number as determined by the NCS Coordinator of Officials. Assignments are on a per-season basis and do not carry forward to the subsequent school year.
3. An association must service at least three schools during the season to receive a semi-final assignment and at least five schools to receive a final assignment.
4. Assignment of final games shall be rotated among eligible associations. Pursuant to Section 507 of the North Coast Section Constitution & General Bylaws. The association must service schools in the assigned Division.
5. Associations shall provide a referee and umpire for each first round and quarterfinal game. A referee and two umpires shall be provided for each semi-final and final game. The NCS Coordinator of Officials shall designate the associations to provide the Alternate Official for final games.
6. Only nominated officials who meet the minimum criteria may be used in NCS/Les Schwab Tires championship events. The assigner of each association is responsible for avoiding conflicts between officials and the participating teams.
7. Association assigners must provide the NCS Coordinator of Officials with the names of the officials working each game at least 24 hours in advance of the game.

Nominated Officials

1. Each officials association shall post an alphabetical list of their recommended officials on the North Coast Section (NCS) website on or before **Friday, January 24, 2014** (Form A). Only nominated officials may be used in championship events. (www.cifnco.org) Click on Officials Forms, Form A, Basketball.
2. Each nominated official shall complete and submit the Game Officials Assignment Eligibility Form posted on the NCS website on or before **Monday, February 17, 2014**. (www.cifnco.org, click on Officials Forms, Form C, Basketball).

Game Assignments

1. Officials may be assigned to more than one tournament game and may be assigned to games by more than one officials association.
2. An official assigned to a final game should not be assigned to a first round, quarterfinal, or semi-final game involving the same division and gender. The NCS does not allow an official to officiate the same team more than once during the tournament.
3. An official assigned to a semifinal game may be assigned to a first or quarterfinal game involving the same division and gender if the game is in an opposite bracket.
4. An official assigned to a quarterfinal round game may be assigned to a first round game involving the same division and gender if the game is in an opposite bracket.
5. All official assignments are subject to the review and approval of the North Coast Section.
6. Officials may not work a game involving a team where there is a conflict because of past or current employment, school attendance, etc. Each official must complete a Game Officials Eligibility Form in order to officiate a NCS tournament game. Only nominated officials may be used in NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship events.
7. The assigner of each officials association must avoid assigning officials to games who have a conflict with one of the participating teams, or to games where one of the participating teams has submitted a form indicating the official is unacceptable.
8. The assigner for each officials association is responsible for informing their officials as to the date, time and location of the assigned game and travel directions for getting to the game site. Directions to the schools can be obtained by logging on to the NCS website and going to "Directions" for the address of the school. Then go to www.mapquest.com for a map to the school.

Game Administration

Arrival Time – Officials are to be at the game site 1 hour prior to the start of the game and are **to check in with the Site Administrator**. The Site Administrator will have game cards that the Referee should complete and give to each of the participating coaches. The Site Administrator will also have the payment voucher that each official must sign.

Warm-up Time – Teams shall be guaranteed 15 minutes for pre-game warm-ups. Teams will not be allowed on the floor more than 90 minutes prior to a single game or the first game of a double header or multiple games.

Warm-up Time During Half-Time – Each team is guaranteed the opportunity for three (3) minutes of unobstructed warm-up time during half-time if they have returned to the court with at least three minutes remaining in the half-time period.

Home Team – The home team is determined per the 2014 NCS Basketball Championship Bulletin.

Sportsmanship Meeting – Prior to the start of each game, a meeting will be held with the administrators-in-charge, coaches, captains of each team, officials, cheerleader advisors, cheerleader captains and student representatives of the participating teams. The meeting will be conducted by the home school administrator and is separate from the meeting between the officials, head coaches and captains of the teams.

Administrator-In-Charge – Each school must have an Administrator-In-Charge. The Site Director will contact the NCS Office if a team does not have an Administrator-In-Charge. The officials shall not begin the game until the Site Director has contacted the NCS Office and thereafter directs the officials to start the game.

Coaching Box – The coaching box shall be outlined outside the side of the court on which the scorers' and timers' table and team benches are located. The area shall be bounded by a line 28' from the end line, the sideline, a line 14' from the end line, and the team bench. These lines shall be located off the court, be two inches wide, and of a color contrasting with the boundary lines. The coaching box is limited to 14 feet.

Game Ball – The official game ball for the 2014 NCS/Les Schwab Tires Basketball Championships is the Spalding TF 1000 Classic for boys and the Spalding TF 1000 (28.5 in.) Classic ball for girls. **The game must be played with an official game ball. No other ball may be used.**

Game Fee – The officials will be paid \$89.00 that includes mileage. If mileage is claimed, the official will be paid \$66.00 at the game site and must submit a mileage voucher to the NCS. Mileage will be reimbursed at \$0.50 per mile. Only one official may claim mileage when traveling from the same area. On the Championship Finals, the alternate official will be paid \$44.00. Mileage vouchers must be submitted within ten (10) days of the game.

Special Tournament Restrictions – No mechanical noisemakers (horns, bells, victory bells, sirens, chimes, power bats, musical instruments other than those in the band) will be permitted inside the gymnasium. Radio or tape decks, other than those used in half-time routines, will not be permitted in the gymnasium. According to the National Federation Basketball Rules Book the use of artificial noisemakers shall be prohibited.

Ejected Players/Coaches – The name and/or number of players and the name of coaches who are ejected from the game must be reported to the **NCS Associate Commissioner (Karen Smith)** within twelve (12) hours of the game. Please leave a message at (925) 263-2110 x220 or email ksmith10@cifncc.org. The association should follow up by submitting an ejection report to the NCS.