



indiana officials association, inc.

New Football Officials Class

2021 Dates: Wednesdays June 9 through July 14

The Indiana Officials Association (IOA) offers this program for individuals interested in officiating youth and high school football. Experienced officials will guide you through your first year as an official – from obtaining your license to working games at an appropriate level.

Step 1: REGISTRATION This course is open to all applicants who have submitted the registration by **June 9, 2021**.

Email the registration form below to secure your place in the class. Registration **includes IOA membership, and instruction**. We will discuss you joining the Indiana High School Athletic Association www.ihcaa.org and licensing. The IHSAA membership includes an official license (after passing a test) and materials to include rule books.

Step 2: Rules and Mechanics Study on Wednesdays, between 6:00 PM and 8:30 PM. There will be 5 classes on the following dates: June 9, 16, 23, 30 and July 14 (No class the week of July 4). All classes will be held at Belzer Middle School, 7555 East 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46226 (Enter through Door 14). We are also looking into having the class virtually to those outside the commuting area. Details are being finalized and will be communicated once finalized.

Step 3: IHSAA Licensure Exam during the testing period. Tests are on-line. We will discuss this process during class.

Step 4: Due to the nature of the environment we are experiencing, Mechanics Study and Practical Clinics will be something we evaluate in the future.

Step 5: Association Meetings on most Wednesdays in July, August, and September with presentations and video for all IOA football officials.

Step 6: Expectations of Officials: Please read the second page of this document.

For any questions, call or email David Morton at (317) 750-4952, ump24_24@sbcglobal.net or Joe Stafford at (317) 313-0550, jstafford1869@gmail.com



2021 IOA NEW OFFICIALS CLASS REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ **No Course Fee**

Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _ (____) _____

Are you a current member of the IOA? Yes ___ No ___



Email form to David Morton at ump24_24@sbcglobal.net

EXPECTATIONS of OFFICIALS

1. Read/study the rules to be discussed each class night before the class; and be prepared to discuss the rule and interpretations.
2. Attend all of the classes.
3. Study the Officials Manual during the summer and be familiar with the mechanics of officiating so that you will be prepared to go on the field during live scrimmages.
4. Obtain the proper uniform and equipment so you are ready to work scrimmages and games.
5. Take the test during the testing period.
6. Attend as many practical clinics as possible.
7. Work as many games as you can possibly work during the season. There is no better teacher than game experience, no matter the level of the game.
8. Have fun but never stop trying to improve your "game".