



**New York State
Girls Basketball Officials
Association, Inc.**

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Section 1. Membership

A. Each Local Board of this association shall certify its individual members under the following classifications, as established by NYSGBOA:

1. Varsity
2. Junior Varsity
3. Junior High (Modified)

B. To become a certified member of an affiliated Local Board in any established classification, a member shall reside within the area of Local Board and meet the requirements of the Five Point Program as established by NYSPHSAA.

C. An active certified member of the NYSGBOA is an individual who adheres to the State Association's requirements regarding payment of dues and is a member in good standing of her/his Local Board.

D. A certified member in good standing with their Local Board may request to go to an inactive status. A member who requests to go inactive may only do so for a period of two years (two basketball seasons). If there is a fee or other conditions written in the Local Board's Constitution, the person requesting inactive status will be required to abide by the terms as prescribed for going inactive.

E. The term "grandfather" is not recognized by NYSGBOA. A person who is an official in another sport, or returning to active status beyond a period of two years, will have to complete the Five Point Program of NYSPHSAA, rules for girls basketball and comply with all the Local Board rules for being certified as an official in girls basketball.

Section 2. Dual Membership

A. An individual official may attain membership with two (2) or more Boards, if she/he is able to comply with the established requirements of each Board.

B. A dual member's home or parent Board is the Local Board where the member resides and is evaluated and certified. The member will continue to be retested and certified yearly by the Parent or Local Board.

C. Disciplinary action or suspensions of a member by NYSGBOA or the Parent Board she/he is suspended from all Boards. Suspension by the Dual Board she/he is no longer a member of the Dual Board.

Section 3. Transfer

A. An individual wishing to transfer from one Local Board to another must terminate status with the original Local Board and then move to the new Local Board where the new board will become the new Parent Board for testing and rating. The individual in question requesting this transfer must reside in the territory that the Local Board services for acceptance as a transfer to received assignments and status. The new Local Board, the receiving Board, must accept the rating the individual has from the old Local Board. The original Board must send to the new Local Board the information required on the transfer form of NYSGBOA. The new Local Board, if by their written constitution, would have the right to evaluate the officiating skills of the individual and adjustments concerning assignments and other matter could be made.

B. A member of an out of state girls officiating association may transfer to a local NYSGBOA Board providing her/his credentials have been approved by said Local Board

ARTICLE II **EXAMINATION RENEWAL PROCEDURES**

Section 1. Written Examination

A. All certified members will take the NYSGBOA written examination yearly before the beginning of the season.

B. New candidates and candidates wishing to upgrade their rating shall take the NYSGBOA closed book written examination under appropriate Board supervision.

C. A maximum of two (2) hours shall be allowed to individuals taking the closed book written examination.

D. All members not wishing to upgrade their status and all certified varsity members shall take the NYSGBOA open book written examination. The time and procedures shall be the responsibility of the Local Board.

E. An individual attempting to upgrade his/her rating to Varsity status must obtain a grade of 86%. Varsity members taking the open book written test must also attain 86% to retain their varsity status. All other members taking the open book written test must attain

the acceptable passing grade for junior varsity and junior high (modified) status as set by the Local Board.

F. The closed book test shall be given on the second Monday in November of each year (exception: if the second Monday in November falls on Veterans Day, November 11, the Board may give the written test the following Monday). The open book test may be distributed to members at any time at the discretion of each Local Board.

G. At the discretion of the local examination committee, candidates for varsity status, who did not attain the set passing score, but who did receive a score between 78% and 84%, and who display talent for becoming a varsity official, may take the Local Board's floor test. If successful, said candidate may retake a written closed book test on the first Monday in March. If the member then receives a passing grade of 86%, he or she is eligible for promotion to varsity status.

H. Local Board Secretaries shall hold all exam answer forms for one (1) year.

Section 2. Practical Examination

A. It shall be the responsibility of each Local Board to establish appropriate standards for establishing and re-certifying each member's level of membership.

ARTICLE III UNIFORMS

A. All members of NYSGBOA shall wear the approved uniform of this organization. Failure to do so shall prohibit said Local Board and its members from officiating in post-season play, including sectional, regional, and state finals; and shall place said Board and its members on probation for a period of one (1) year.

- B.** The official uniform of NYSGBOA is to be:
1. Black state approved jacket with official NYSGBOA patch.
 2. Black and white striped V-neck state approved shirt.
 3. Black dress slacks (no denim or corduroy).
 4. Black socks.
 5. Black shoes.
 6. Black belt (if necessary).
 7. Black lanyard.

C. The official shirt will be worn inside the pants throughout the season, including sectional, regional and state final games.

ARTICLE IV DUES

A. The treasurer of each local Board shall pay the annual dues to the Secretary-Treasurer of the NYSGBOA by May 1, or at the Spring business meeting. In addition, each local Board shall submit to the Secretary-Treasurer of the NYSGBOA by December 20 of the current basketball season, the appropriate roster and dues for each new member admitted to the local Board for the current season. A fine of \$25.00 will be imposed on any Local Board that does not meet the dates for said payment of fees on time.

B. The Secretary-Treasurer of NYSGBOA shall have the authority to grant a time extension if provided with the reason (s) for the extension. The request must be made in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer from the Local Board.

C. The annual dues shall be per official. The dues shall include monies necessary to pay the liability insurance for all members.

D. Dues shall be set through a majority vote of the voting representatives of the Local Boards.

ARTICLE V PROCESS OF AMENDING

A. An amendment of NYSGBOA By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the Local Board representatives present at any Fall, Spring or special meeting of NYSGBOA.