

# National Federation of State High School Associations



## NFHS BASKETBALL OFFICIALS' PREGAME PROTOCOL

Revised Beginning 2015-16 Season

### Officials Manual 1.8 / Page 16 – Guidelines for Single Conferences

- A. 15:00 Officials enter court and go directly to positions.
- B. 12:00 Referee goes to the table and checks scorebook(s), briefs scorer and timer, checks game ball.
- C. 10:00 Remaining official(s) go across the floor to join referee, greet the visiting coach, then greet the home coach.
  - 1. Referee goes to area in front of scorer's table.
  - 2. U1 and U2 will get respective head coaches and captains from teams.
  - 3. Referee does introductions of officials, coaches and captain(s).
  - 4. Referee conducts pregame briefing to include discussing legal equipment and good sporting behavior with coaches and captain(s). Also discuss: team color, proper basket, other appropriate items and answer any questions.
  - 5. Return to original positions.
  - 6. If teams return to dressing room leave court, remove jackets, return to original position when teams come out, stand at attention for National Anthem.