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**TO:** Athletic Directors and Head Basketball Coaches  
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**SUBJECT:** 2013-14 Season Reminders

### **Use of Electronic Devices**

The use of electronic devices is permitted during the game. Electronic devices may be used on the team bench or in the locker room at halftime for coaching and statistical purposes only. Electronic devices may not be used to communicate with the players on the playing floor nor can the device be used to dispute an official's decision/call.

### **Compression Sleeve Requirements / Arm and Leg**

The NFHS specifications for leg compression sleeves were added this year because of the frequent use of these sleeves for non-medical reasons. The specifications match those of arm compression sleeves. They must be white, black, beige, or a single solid school color. The sleeve must be the same color for each team member and have only a single manufacturer's logo that does not exceed 2 1/4 square inches. The sleeve must be worn for medical reasons only and a medical note is required.

Officials will ask coaches for a medical note for any player wearing a compression sleeve on the arm or leg. Coaches, please make sure you have that medical note with you at all games, home and away. A medical note from the school's Certified Athletic Trainer (ATC) is acceptable.

### **Official Scorekeeper**

NFHS basketball rules require the official scorekeeper to wear a black and white vertically striped garment. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of this requirement. It was not uncommon last year for scorekeepers to drape the garment on the front of the scorer's table instead of wear it.

Officials have been instructed to ask scorekeepers to wear the stripes, per the rule, and to notify the OSAA of any school not in compliance. This rule applies to all varsity and sub-varsity contests.

### **Court Markings**

Please make sure that all of your competition courts are marked correctly for all levels of play according to the NFHS Basketball Court Diagram located on the basketball page of the OSAA website located [HERE](#).

Your Coaching Boxes (NFHS Rule 1.13.2) and "X" marking the Scorer's Table (NFHS Rule 1.17) must be properly placed. It is also vital that your Coaching Boxes are placed in the same location on both ends of the court.

Officials have been instructed to not begin a varsity contest until the coaching boxes and scorer's location mark are properly placed. The correct markings must also be in place for all sub-varsity contests.

### **Public Address**

The announcer shall be prohibited from making unnecessary announcements such as "two minutes to go" while the clock is running during the course of the contest. This interrupts the game through the use of the microphone.

The announcer is allowed to give basic information during the course of the game, such as who the foul is on, who is shooting free throws, which team is taking a time-out and the length of the timeout. Information that is visible on the scoreboard shall not be announced during play.