



CENTRAL CONNECTICUT BOARD #6 of Approved Basketball Officials

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"Making A Difference In The Game"

Becoming a Certified Basketball Official Frequently Asked Questions

1. Is there a limited selection process? How will this work?

Yes, we will limit new applicants to a maximum 25. We will use a lottery selection process to identify the 25 new applicants, if we receive more than 25 applications. **There is an open registration process that ends on September 25, 2017.** We will identify the 25 individuals and notify those not selected, add your name to our waiting list and return your application fee.

2. What are the requirements to become an IAABO Board #6, certified high school basketball official in CT?

There are 4 basic requirements:

- a. You must not be on the sex offender registry.
- b. You must pass a background check administered by the CT Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC).
- c. You must pass a written basketball rules test by successfully answering 86%, or 43 correct on a 50 question test. The test is administered by the IAABO Bd. #6 certified Rules Interpreter.
- d. You must attend a minimum of 4 floor exam training classes **and** officiate a pre-season, basketball scrimmage, successfully demonstrating basic officiating skills. This is called a "floor exam." You will be notified when training classes will be offered and when the "floor exam" will occur.

3. If I do not pass the written test or the training sessions/floor exam, will I receive a refund?

No. Your application fee is non-refundable.

4. Is there an opportunity to re-take the written exam?

Yes, if you score 8 to 12 wrong. If you have more than 12 incorrect answers, you will be required to submit a new application and registration fee in the following year.



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5. What happens if I do not pass or complete the training sessions/floor exam requirements? Will I receive a refund?

If you are unable to meet the training session attendance requirements and/or pass the floor exam, you will be allowed to retake the floor exam the following year under the following conditions:

- you will not receive any Bd. #6 assigned games
- you must pay membership dues for the following year
- you do not have to retake the written exam, nor pay a new application fee

6. What level of basketball games will I start officiating?

You will be assigned games by the IAABO Bd. #6 Assignment Commissioner and will begin with middle school and freshman high school level game assignments. These games are generally scheduled in the afternoon, and have start times at 3:00 or 3:30 pm. If designated by the Assignment Commissioner, you **may** receive sub-varsity assignments, which are scheduled around 5:15 pm.

7. How many games will I be assigned?

It will depend on your availability to officiate games in the afternoon (3:00 – 3:30 start times).

8. When will I be eligible to referee varsity high school games?

Assuming you pass the written and floor exams, you will be classified as a “*provisional member*”, for your first year of game assignments. At the end of your first season of game assignments, you will then be designated as an “*active member*” at the Bd. #6 Annual Meeting, which is held in March. If you do not pass, you will remain a “*provisional member*” for one additional year. As a “*provisional member*”, you are not allowed to vote on Bd. #6 normal organizational issues. Once you become an “*active member*”, you will then be eligible to vote on Bd. #6 normal organizational issues and be eligible to receive sub-varsity and/or varsity assignments.

9. Who assigns the games for me to officiate?

An Assignment Commissioner, who is appointed by the Bd. #6 Executive Committee, assigns board games for all members.

10. Does the Bd. #6 Assignment Commissioner assign CYO or recreation league games?

No. However, there are Bd. #6 members who assign these games.



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11. If I have questions about this membership process, who can I ask or direct them to?

Direct all questions to the New Applicant Committee Chair – James Wildman 860-334-4595.

12. Do I have to attend Bd. #6 meetings?

You are required to attend the Board #6 meetings (check Bd. #6 website www.iaabo6.org for dates). You are required to sign-in and sign-out with the New Applicant Committee Chair, James Wildman.

13. When do I become an official Bd. #6 member?

See answer #8.

14. Are there fees I should be aware of?

At the end of the season in March, you are required to pay a **7% assignment fee**, which is payable to Bd. #6 (this fee constitutes 7% of your total earnings from games assigned by the Bd. #6 Assignment Commissioner). This fee helps to pay the Assignment Commissioner. If you intend to officiate the following year after successfully completing your provisional membership requirements, you will also be required to pay the annual Bd. #6 **membership dues**. Fees will be reviewed and discussed by the New Applicant Chair once you successfully passed the written and floor exams.

15. Is there a uniform requirement for officiating?

Yes, you will be required to purchase all-black official's shoes, black pants, a black/white striped referee shirt and a Board 6 black jacket. More details will be provided when you begin the floor exam classes.

16. Is insurance coverage available?

Yes, your application fee provides liability insurance once you successfully pass the written and floor exams. In addition, an IAABO sponsored supplemental insurance coverage is offered for a nominal fee. This insurance coverage is optional. Details on the benefits and limits of coverage will be provided.