Steps for Becoming a CCSOO Official:

- 1) The paperwork is located on this site.
- 2) Fill out the paperwork, and submit it along with a check with the form to Personnel Director, Bob Gottschall, CCSOO, 544 Franklin Way, West Chester, Pa. 19380
- 3) Log on to the CCSOO web site to see the meeting dates, by-laws, etc. of the entire parent group.
 - www.ccsportsofficials.org
- 4) When your paperwork and the check have been submitted, you will immediately be entered into the Arbiter web site we use for making assignments for you to the various school/leagues the CCSOO assigns. Log into the site and fill in all the necessary information on your address, any phone numbers you want used for contact, any specific closed dates you cannot work, and your picture (the ADs have requested that they have access to a picture for verification when you arrive to work a game).
- 5) In order to work games with children in the state of Pennsylvania, you must also retain three clearances from the state: Your identification (fingerprints), your state police report, and your proof that you have not been found guilty of a criminal act, such as child abuse, etc. This requirement is not part of the PIAA regulations, but is a requirement by the state.
- 6) The CCSOO does not require that you take the PIAA test immediately and have found that it usually is better to be trained, work a few years, and then take the test. We administer several tests in all three sports during our meetings to help with the types of questions you will be asked.
- 7) In order to maintain your membership, you must attend the annual Rules Interpretation meeting for each sport you work as well as four out of the eight chapter meetings we hold during each sports season. You are at liberty to attend chapter meetings from your sport held by other chapters, but a note signifying that attendance must be given to your secretary.
- 8) It is important to the web master that you immediately close all dates that you cannot work games during the season due to work, social, or family issues.
- 9) If you are shown as open, the web master will assign you to any game within your level or below and the assignment must be accepted within 48 hours of its being assigned to you.
- 10) You will need to acquire the proper uniform for your sport. There is a limited supply of used baseball equipment to help you get started without the outlay of funds. Simply notify the Personnel Director of your desire to borrow that equipment and he will arrange for you to secure it.
- 11) The CCSOO soccer shirts are different then the stripes used by the PIAA. If you are assigned a PIAA game, or a CCSOO non-PIAA game, you are to wear the appropriate shirt for that game. The remaining uniforms may be purchased at any sporting goods store or on-line company.
- 12) There is a program in place in soccer with the basketball and baseball group working on one as well that is used for your evaluation of proficiency in your sport. This is not anything other than a training mechanism to help you to become a highly skilled official.

- 1) Fill out the paperwork, submitting it to Bob. You agree to the following items:
 - 1) Term of the contract: 1 year with automatic renewals (mutual consent of the individual and Bob).
 - 2) Terms:

The official shall work only games assigned to him/her by the CCSOO assigners. On the Sunday preceding the next single week of each month, the official may assist the coverage of games assigned by any outside assigner as long as those assigners agree to pay the official at the rates they are paid by the schools/leagues using the CCSOO as their assigning group.

The members shall attend a minimum of four of the eight meetings held by the CCSOO within their particular sport including the annual rules interpretation meeting. Dues shall be assessed by the CCSOO according to the amount budgeted by the CCSOO for operational expenses. The dues are due payable yearly by January 31.

Any social events costs shall be charged when appropriate.

Uniforms and liability insurance will be purchased by the officials and the CCSOO will help organize these purchases when appropriate for any mass saving of money. NASO membership for payment of dues for membership in that organization is one example of this.

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