

KHSAA COMPETITION RULES

Governing Bowling

(Adopted by the Board of Control)

(Where these rules refer to the Commissioner, they shall refer to the Commissioner of the KHSAA. Sports specific duties may be appropriately delegated to a member of the Commission for the implementation of these rules. See Case Situations for specific rulings and interpretations used to administer these provisions)

I) ASSIGNMENT OF SCHOOLS

A) Alignment of Teams for Postseason Play

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall sponsor postseason competition in bowling for boys and girls, provided that ten (10) percent of the member schools declare intentions to participate in said competition. Member schools desiring to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition shall notify the Association office prior to January 15. The Commissioner shall divide the state into geographic sections with the approval of the Board of Control. Newly added or deleted programs will be handled on a case by case basis by the Commissioner's office.

As of August 15, 2015, the alignment for boys' and girls' bowling is as follows:

REGION 1 – Apollo, Barren County, Bowling Green, Caverna, Daviess County, Glasgow, Graves County, Greenwood, McCracken County, Ohio County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic, Paducah Tilghman, South Warren, Warren Central, Warren East

REGION 2 – Campbellsville, Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Green County, John Hardin, Meade County, Nelson County, North Hardin, Russell County, Taylor County, Thomas Nelson, Washington County

REGION 3 – Bullitt Central, Bullitt East, Butler, DeSales, Doss, Fairdale, Fern Creek, Holy Cross (Louisville), Iroquois, Jeffersontown, Mercy, Moore, North Bullitt, Pleasure Ridge Park, Southern, Valley, Western, Whitefield Academy

REGION 4 – Assumption, Atherton, Ballard, Brown, Christian Academy-Louisville, Christian County, DuPont Manual, Eastern, Male, North Oldham, Oldham County, Presentation, Sacred Heart, Seneca, South Oldham, St. Francis, St. Xavier, Trinity (Louisville), Waggener, Walden

REGION 5 – Bishop Brossart, Campbell County, Dayton, Highlands, Newport, Newport Central Catholic, Pendleton County, Scott, Simon Kenton

REGION 6 – Beechwood, Boone County, Cooper, Covington Catholic, Covington Latin, Dixie Heights, Grant County, Holy Cross (Covington), Lloyd Memorial, Notre Dame, St. Henry District

REGION 7 – Bourbon County, Bryan Station, Harrison County, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Paris, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Scott County, Tates Creek

REGION 8 – Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Boyle County, Corbin, East Jessamine, Fairview, Fleming County, Garrard County, George Rogers Clark, Johnson Central, Knox Central, Lee County, Lincoln County, Lynn Camp, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Montgomery County, Rowan County, Wayne County, West Jessamine, Whitley County

II) DATES AND SITES FOR POSTSEASON COMPETITION

A) Dates for Play

- 1) The Commissioner with the approval of the Board of Control shall determine the dates and sites of the region and state tournaments.
- 2) All tournaments shall be held within the dates indicated on the Memorandum Calendar unless otherwise approved by the Commissioner and recommended by a vote of the participating school representatives. Schedule conflicts with other academic required activities will be resolved by the office of the Commissioner.

B) Sites for Play

- 1) The Commissioner shall make the determination of the region tournament sites.
- 2) Schools interested in hosting may submit a request after consulting with the designated member of the Commission. The prospective host may be asked to supply information relating to seating and parking facilities and such other information as may be requested by the Commissioner.
- 3) The Commissioner's office may use a requested site selection plan as a guide, but is not bound by this plan in determining the sites.

- 4) Only schools which are members of the Association prior to January 1 of the year in which the tournament is held, and already having a suitable facility for hosting the tournament shall be allowed to apply.

- 5) Only those competing in the current year will be allowed to vote for the region tournament site selection plan. If a region is unable to resolve conflict over a plan, the Commissioner shall establish a plan.

- 6) The Board of Control shall determine the site of the state finals after receiving the Commissioner's recommendation, and shall be guided by necessary hotel facilities, playing facilities, and community/area support.

- 7) It is recommended the regional tournaments only be held at sites that are BPAA member sites.

- 8) The Commissioner shall ensure that the state tournament site is a BPAA member.

III) TOURNAMENT MANAGERS, PAIRINGS

A) Selection of Tournament Manager

- 1) The Commissioner will appoint a manager for each of the region tournaments, and shall serve as the manager for the state tournament. The Commissioner may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event.

- 2) It is the duty of each region manager to notify all schools participating in the tournament as to the time and place of the tournament, to supply him or her with entry material and instructions, to invite their participation, and make all arrangements to conduct the tournament.

- 3) It is an explicit duty of each tournament manager to inform the association IMMEDIATELY as to the bracket / pairings / entries / results when requested by KHSAA staff and according to the time deadlines provided including the actual site of the tournament if it is not held at the school. The receipts of a tournament can be assessed a fine (levied against the manager) for failure to comply with these provisions.

- 4) The Commissioner shall serve as the manager for the state tournament and may appoint as many assistant managers as deemed necessary to manage the event. The Commissioner will direct the drawing and all of the business necessary to conduct the state tournament.

IV) ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER TOURNAMENT PLAY

A) Roster Requirement

1) Enrollment Requirement for this Sport Activity

- a) To be a contestant on a member school team, a student must, on Friday of each grading period, be enrolled as a full-time student in at least four hours of instruction as provided in Kentucky Board of Education regulation 702 KAR 7:125 (of the six hours of instruction required) or the equivalent of four hours of instruction acceptable to graduation at the member school he or she desires to represent in order to be eligible for athletics.

- b) A student repeating a grade for any reason is ineligible to participate in interscholastic athletics at the high school level (grades 9 through 12) during the second year in that grade.

- c) A pupil in grades 7 & 8 may play on the high school team provided that the elementary school, middle school or junior high school where the student is enrolled is under the direct administrative supervision of the same board of education as the member school the student desires to represent. If the local Board of Education has an adopted and enforced defined feeder pattern for the middle/junior high school students under the Board, participation at the high school level is restricted to the schools within that pattern (feeder school).

- 2) Each school shall enter an unlimited number of enrolled contestants on the postseason electronic roster via the KHSAA website and its online participation tracking system by the published deadlines.

- 3) This roster may be revised throughout the regular season and shall serve all roster purposes in these rules.

- 4) On the first day of postseason play, these rosters shall be locked so that no additional players may be added, deleted or revised following this date, thereby creating the final eligibility list for tournament play.

- 5) After this time, the only revision allowed will be to correct a

- documented clerical error as approved by the Commissioner.
- B) Per match Roster/Substitutions
- 1) A school may enter a team composed of twelve (12) players in each postseason tournament match from the roster submitted online.
 - 2) Any player whose name is on the official roster may be substituted on a team prior to the time of the draw for the region tournament. After the draw is final, the region tournament manager may allow substitution if the original entry is prevented from participating due to circumstances due to injury/illness. No advantage may be gained by a substitution or it will not be permitted.
 - 3) Players shall participate in region tournament play to be eligible for the state tournaments.
 - 4) A school does not have to have the required number of competitors to constitute a team to enter singles into the singles competition.
- C) Minimum Number of Contests
- 1) There is no minimum number of contests for team competition.
 - 2) There is no minimum number of contests for singles competition.
- D) Advancement to State Tournament
- 1) The champion and runner-up shall qualify for the team State Tournaments (top 2 finishers from each region).
 - 2) The top four individual finishers from each region shall advance to the State Tournament.
- V) UMPIRES / OFFICIALS
- 1) The Association shall contract with outside individuals as necessary to serve as officials at the Region tournament.
 - 2) The Association shall contract with outside individuals as necessary to serve as officials at the State tournament.
- VI) CHAMPION, TROPHIES AND AWARDS
- A) Team Tournament Format Champion
- 1) Region
 - a) Teams will bowl one game with two teams of four bowlers, dropping the low score on each lane. That six bowler total will be used to seed the team into a bracket.
 - b) The team will then bowl whichever team they are seeded to bowl in a match.
 - c) A match will consist of baker games.
 - d) The first team to win three games will be the winner.
 - e) The winner will advance to the next round.
 - f) Rounds will continue until a winner and runner-up are established. Region winners and runners-up will advance to the state tournament.
 - 2) State
 - a) Teams will bowl one game with two teams of four bowlers, dropping the low score on each lane. That six bowler total will be used to seed the team into a bracket.
 - b) The team will then bowl whichever team they are seeded to bowl in a match.
 - c) A match will be consist of baker games.
 - d) The first team to win three games will be the winner.
 - e) The winner will advance to the next round.
 - f) Rounds will continue until a champion, runner-up and semifinalist are established.
- B) Individual Tournament Format Champion
- 1) Region
 - a) Individuals shall be entered to the region by designation of their coach.
 - b) Each school may enter their top 4 individual bowlers in each of the boys and girls singles competitions.
 - c) Bowlers shall bowl 3 games and the top eight will advance to the semi-finals where they will bowl two additional games.
 - d) At the conclusion of the two semi-final round games their 5 game total will be used to determine the top four bowlers who will be seeded into a stepladder final. This will also establish the fifth through eight place finishers.
 - e) From that point on the top four bowlers will bowl a ladder tournament until a champion is determined, and the stepladder final will establish the first through fourth place finishers.
 - f) The top four bowlers will advance to the state tournament.
 - 2) State
 - a) Four individuals will advance from the region tournament.

- b) Bowlers shall bowl 3 games and the top eight will advance to the semi-finals where they will bowl two additional games.
 - c) At the conclusion of the two semi-finals round games their 5 game total will be used to determine the top four bowlers who will be seeded into a stepladder final. This will also establish the fifth through eight place finishers.
 - d) From that point on the top four bowlers will bowl a ladder tournament until a champion is determined, and the stepladder final will establish the first through fourth place finishers.
- C) TieBreaking Rules
- 1) Team Qualifying Games
 - a) Add all dropped qualifying scores back in to total score to break the tie.
 - b) If there is still a tie, the tie shall be broken with the highest individual score bowled taking the higher seed.
 - 2) Team Baker Games
 - a) When a team ties in a baker game, each team receives half a point.
 - b) If teams are tied after fifth (5) games, a sixth (6) game shall be played to determine a winner.
 - c) If the (6) sixth baker game ends in a tie, then a (9) ninth and (10) tenth frame roll off will be used to break the tie.
 - 3) Singles Qualifying Games
 - a) For 4th place – a one (1) game roll off between all tied parties.
 - b) If another tie occurs a (9) ninth and (10) tenth frame roll off will be used to break the tie.
 - c) For first (1) through fourth (4) places the tie is broken by the highest single game during qualifying taking the higher seed.
 - 4) Singles Stepladder Games
 - a) A ninth (9) and tenth (10) frame roll off would be used and continued until a winner is determined.
- D) Trophies and Awards
- 1) Region
 - a) Trophies will be given to the team winner and runner-up at each region.
 - b) Individual medals will be given to top four (4) individuals at each region meet.
 - c) The trophies and medals at the region shall be paid from the gate receipts of that tournament.
 - 2) State
 - a) Trophies and individual medals will be awarded to the teams finishing first and second, and two semifinalists at the state tournament.
 - b) Awards will be given to the top eight (8) individual finishers at the state tournament.
 - c) The Association will bear the costs of all trophies and medals at the state tournament.
- VII) FINANCES
- A) Region
- 1) The finances of the region tournament will be managed at the region level.
 - 2) The region competing schools shall decide any distribution of net profit/loss, which shall be shared. All gross receipts prior to any distribution shall include any applicable advance payment made by teams to help offset event costs.
- B) State
- 1) The Association will finance the state tournament.
 - 2) Schools are responsible for the expenses of competitors participating in the state tournament.
- VIII) SPORT-ACTIVITY SPECIFIC COMPETITION RULES
- A) Playing Rules
- Additional rules developed by the Association may be implemented in contests played in Kentucky and will be distributed to the membership when relevant.
- B) Dress Code
- 1) It is recommended that players wear school uniforms during play.
 - 2) It is recommended that a uniform number be on the right sleeve of the uniform for identification.
 - 3) Bowlers must also wear full length slacks. These slacks may be of any color as long as they are similar to that of the rest of the team and do not have any tears or holes in them.
 - 4) Bowlers may NOT wear shorts, or jeans.

- 5) Bowlers out of uniform will not be allowed to bowl until they are able to comply with the rules.
 - 6) Any garment or hat advertising alcohol, drugs, tobacco products or other inappropriate items deemed objectionable by the KHSAA State Tournament Director. may not be worn.
 - 7) Objectionable permanent body markings (tattoos) shall be covered; non-permanent body markings (temporary tattoos or body paint) shall be prohibited.
 - 7) Proper shoes are required.
- C) Oil Patterns
- 1) The office of the Commissioner may select an oil pattern for each regional.
 - 2) The office of the Commissioner shall select an oil pattern for the state tournament and shall notify the competing teams upon arrival.

CASE SITUATIONS RELATED TO THE COMPETITION RULES of the KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Specific case situations are contained in this section of the KHSAA Handbook which are interpretations and rulings which have been made by the Commissioner in accordance with applicable provisions of the KHSAA Constitution. These interpretations supplement the printed rules but do not in any manner substitute for the actual rule. Many of these rulings have established precedent for the interpretation or enforcement of these provisions, and remain in place until further altered, re-interpreted, or otherwise set aside. Specific inquiries not addressed by published interpretations should be submitted in writing to the Commissioner of the KHSAA, 2280 Executive Drive, Lexington, KY 40505. Interpretive questions or eligibility rulings shall be requested and issued in writing.

Case CR-1- What is the purpose of the Competition Rules of the KHSAA?

In many sports and sports activities, there are decisions that have to be made to establish a framework for competition. These rules (different than the Playing Rules) establish alignments, bracketing provisions and championship arrangements. In all cases, the Board of Control has final jurisdiction over the Competition Rules.

Case CR-2- What are the current championships of the KHSAA?

The KHSAA sponsors (sanctions) sports championship events in the fall, winter and spring seasons. Fall championships are considered to be cross country (boys and girls), field hockey, golf (boys and girls), soccer (boys and girls), volleyball (girls), and football (combined); winter championships are basketball (boys and girls), wrestling (combined) and swimming and diving (boys and girls); spring championships are baseball (boys), softball (fastpitch for girls), tennis (boys and girls) and track and field (boys and girls)

In addition, the KHSAA sponsors (sanctions) a state championship in the Sport Activities of Archery (combined), Bass Fishing (combined), Bowling (Boys and Girls) and Cheer (All Girl and Coed divisions).

Case CR-3- What sports and sport activities are insured by the KHSAA?

The KHSAA Board of Control will purchase Catastrophe Insurance, using the member dues and tournament receipts, to insure the student-athletes who compete in the sanctioned sports and sport activities of the KHSAA. In addition, students serving in a support capacity at those sponsored events (managers, trainers, sideline cheerleaders (providing they comply with the NFHS rules restrictions).

Such insurance coverage shall be in force from the first day of the Bylaw 23, Limitation of Seasons in a sponsored sport or sport activity, through the last day, provided such competition complies with all parts of the Bylaw and its individual competitors comply with all applicable KHSAA bylaws. The deductible for this policy shall be published in a timely manner to ensure that the school and student-athletes have adequate opportunity to comply with Bylaw 12.

The KHSAA Board of Control will purchase General Liability Insurance, using the member dues and tournament receipts, to provide for General Liability coverage for the Association and its agents and assignees, in all KHSAA sponsored competition in all sports (postseason) for which the Association sponsors a championship. The Commissioner shall ensure through all forms of due diligence, that all levels of these sponsored championships are conducted in accordance with applicable KHSAA Competition Rules in order to maintain the integrity of the policy.

Case CR-4- How many schools are required to agree to participate in KHSAA sponsored postseason competition in order for the Association to hold a championship in that sport or sport-activity?

Fifty (50) member schools located in at least three (3) different basketball regions shall agree to field a team in order that

the Association consider sponsoring a championship. The achievement of this percentage is no guarantee of the development of a championship as the Board of Control must consider fiscal and legal consequences such as the Association budget, the budget of the member schools and the impact on such things as Title IX.

Twenty-five member schools located in at least three (3) different basketball regions shall participate each year in order that the Association maintains a championship.

These criteria may be waived by the Board of Control in order to sponsor a championship in any sport that does not conflict with state or federal law and which provides additional participation opportunities exclusively for females.

The Association shall survey the membership every three years to determine interest in new offerings.

Case CR-5- Who is in control of the media and press at KHSAA sponsored competition?

1) The intellectual property, corporate, broadcasting and media rights to the State championship rounds of the KHSAA postseason championships belong exclusively to the KHSAA, including titling agreements and sponsorships. No member school may approve or sign an agreement that includes rights to state contests (delayed or live).

2) The intellectual property, corporate, broadcasting and media rights to the postseason rounds prior to the state finals belong exclusively to the KHSAA, including titling agreements and sponsorships. No member school can sign an exclusive agreement for a postseason round (District, Region, semi-state) without agreement between the schools and approval of the KHSAA Office.

3) The intellectual property, corporate, broadcasting and media rights to the postseason rounds prior to the state finals belong exclusively to the KHSAA, but are assigned to the Principal of each institution for management and control. No member school shall sign an exclusive regular season agreement that would "Shut out" its opponent from any audio, video streaming or having the opportunity to do so.

4) At all levels of competition during postseason play, control of media access and location at those contests is with the KHSAA.

5) At all levels of competition, including district, region, sectional, and state competition in KHSAA sponsored tournaments and meets, managers are to make allowances for members of the media to tape portions of the contests at no charge to the media outlet, as long as the taping is for the sole purpose of news highlights.

6) Contact the KHSAA Communications Director with questions.

Case CR-6- Who is empowered to make decisions at KHSAA tournaments when inclement weather forces postponement of contests or events?

While it would be ideal if all parties could meet and agree on any re-scheduling of games necessitated by inclement weather or other natural events, this may not be practical. It is the duty of the tournament manager to make decisions with regards to re-scheduling in the event of postponement and ensure that all teams, media outlets and schools are properly notified.

Case CR-7- Is it possible for a winner and corresponding runner-up in baseball, basketball, field hockey, soccer, softball or volleyball district tournament to meet before the final region game?

No, because they are to be placed in opposite brackets.

Case CR-8- Is there a mandatory brand of game ball to be used in postseason play in baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball and volleyball?

Yes, the Association has a long-term agreements with multiple sponsors. Staff at KHSAA can assist with specific model numbers, although use of specific numbers is not mandated.

In all postseason contests in baseball, softball, football and basketball, a Rawlings brand ball (or Worth brand in softball) with the proper NFHS authenticating mark shall be used for There is no requirement that a KHSAA logo appear on the ball, or that a specific ball number be used.

In all postseason contests in soccer, a SELECT Sports brand ball with the proper NFHS authenticating mark shall be used. There

is no requirement that a KHSAA logo appear on the ball, or that a specific ball number be used.

In all postseason contests in volleyball, a Baden brand ball with the proper NFHS authenticating mark shall be used. There is no requirement that a KHSAA logo appear on the ball, or that a specific ball number be used.

Case CR-9- Are there any restrictions on the scheduling and playing of games in a “seeded district” in baseball, basketball, soccer, softball, or volleyball?

Yes. Principals, Athletic Directors and Coaches should consult the Competition Rules related to each of these sports for more specific dates for tournament meetings and allowances for scheduling of these meetings. All games involved in the calculation of a seed position SHALL be played on or before the Wednesday prior to the start of postseason play. Games played after that time SHALL NOT factor into the seeded position.

Case CR-10- How are the tournament sites selected for district tournament sites for baseball, basketball, soccer, softball in the event that agreement cannot be reached on a site selection plan?

If a site selection plan cannot be reached on first round (normally district) tournaments, the Commissioner will intervene and establish a rotation plan subject to appeal to the Board of Control. The site selection plan shall be confirmed by annual balloting during the season and reported to the Association along with seeding decisions. Rotating the tournament sites does not necessarily mean that each school shall host the tournament at that school's home site, but that each school, with available proper and adequate facilities, shall have the opportunity to host the tournament, even if an alternative site is required due to site requirements within a given sport.

Case CR-11- Is there a deadline for a district host school in baseball, basketball, soccer, softball or volleyball to select a playing site if the school home site doesn't meet the requirements for holding the tournament?

Yes. Through various rules and rulings in past years, every school in a specific district alignment shall have an opportunity to serve as the host for the tournament. Each school may, of course, decline that opportunity. However, this requirement ensures that on a periodic basis, all schools get to share in the concession and parking proceeds, host share of the ticket receipts and other benefits that come from serving as the host. It is recognized that all schools in a given alignment grouping will not meet the tournament specifications.

For this reason, the following steps shall be taken by the schools in the district-

- 1) The schools shall meet and decide what facilities can hold the attendance of the last five years of the tournament based on the fan followings of the schools, and satisfy other logistical needs such as accessibility, parking, etc. (agreed sites). In addition, all sites must meet any adopted site criteria for the sport that has been approved by the Board of Control. If there is a disagreement, the Board of Control can serve as the final resolution and KHSAA staff shall assist in that determination.
- 2) The discussion on site applicability is separate from the ability to “host”, that is being the tournament manager, operating concessions, etc. as all schools shall be given that opportunity to host, just not necessarily at a site that cannot accommodate the event.
- 3) From that list of agreed sites, the rotation of sites is to be considered, factoring in of course, that all schools shall be given a chance (if they want) to host, even if it isn't played at the host school's home playing facility.
- 4) In a year when the designated host's home facility does not meet the specifications for holding the tournament, the final selection as to the playing site rests with the designated host school. That school has sole discretion to make that decision, but is compelled to choose only from the list of agreed facilities as mentioned in (1) above.
- 5) In a year when the designated host school's home facility does not meet the specifications for holding the tournament, the designation shall be made by September 20 in volleyball and soccer; January 1 in basketball; and April 15 for baseball and

softball.

Case CR-12- How are the contest sites selected for region tournaments/meets/contests?

The Commissioner establishes all regional sites. The Commissioner shall be generally guided by a site selection plan approved by a 2/3 vote of the member schools in the region, but is not compelled to assign the event to that site specified in the plan, and shall only assign to the sites meeting specified sports specific criteria.

Changes to a requested site selection plan shall be confirmed by balloting of the Principals or Designated Representatives of the member schools.

Case CR-13- May a name be added to the roster or entry form after the first day of postseason competition?

No, changes cannot be made unless otherwise provided in the competition rules for a specific sport. The principal shall check the online roster in all sports and sport-activities to ensure that all players are on the list as the rosters are locked after postseason play begins. For individual sports using the published entry list and/or forms, the specific sport tournament rules will address any options for substitution or correction, if such options exist.

Case CR-14- How is it determined that a meet counts against the four meet minimum in Track and Field or Cross Country?

In order to count as a meet for the four meet minimum a meet shall be a meet which rises to the standard of counting as a meet towards the interpretations of Bylaw 23. In addition, in Cross Country, the distance would be a minimum of 2500 meters and a maximum of 5000 meters and involved entries from two or more schools. To count towards the minimums, the meets may be at the varsity or nonvarsity level in terms of meet structure. It shall be counted in the same manner for all competitors (varsity, JV or freshman). The school approved or provided uniform shall be worn in this competition. In accordance with Bylaw 22, a school representative shall accompany the team.

Case CR-15- If a Cross Country Meet is interrupted by weather, can other races be run that day?

Yes. The particular interrupted race is considered complete and counts both towards meet limits and participation minimums. If other competition can resume after required delays, that is permissible. Only races actually started can count towards meet limits or participation minimums.

Case CR-16 - Are there policies on participation by boys on girls' teams and vice-versa?

Yes. See the Board of Control policies for complete details.

Case CR-17 - Are there policy statements or recommendations from the Commissioner's office on postgame activity by teams and individuals?

Yes. Several sports have “traditions” regarding postgame handshakes, etc. by team members (both en masse and as individuals), but none of them have such action dictated by playing rules. While it is an obvious sign of sportsmanship and civility, many incidents have occurred both in Kentucky (more than two dozen in the last three years in Kentucky alone) and throughout the country, where fights and physical conflicts have broken out during these postgame handshakes. And this is not restricted to specific sports.

Unfortunately, the adrenaline and effort required to participate in the sport sometimes seems to deplete the supply of judgement available to participants. And this can be particularly problematic when there is a lack of an appropriate level of adult supervision, or counterproductive actions by the adults involved with the team.

During 2013-14, the following directors were issued by the Commissioner to the membership for all of the schools and officials regarding post game in baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball, volleyball and wrestling:

Following the contests, officials are to quickly and efficiently leave the playing facility following all rules mandated duties and ensure that the rules book mandated jurisdiction ends

promptly. There is no need for officials to secure the game balls, shake hands with the coaches or players, or stick around the playing area for any other reason.

Officials have no role in what goes on in postgame, including handshakes, etc. after jurisdiction has ended. Officials also have NO role in administering this time period. Officials choosing to involve themselves in postgame activities will be penalized appropriately;

Game management and the administration of the participating team(s) are solely responsible for what happens after the contest is concluded.

Certain interaction is required by the NFHS playing rules (i.e. the awarding of a bout winner in wrestling). Other postgame rituals such as handshakes, etc. must be closely monitored by school officials and are not a part of the game regulated by game officials. However, any unsportsmanlike conduct occurring during this time will subject the coach/player to penalties and discipline; and

The coaches and administration of the teams are always responsible for the individual conduct of the members of the team following the contest and shall be held accountable for such.

Henceforth, any incidents by an individual squad member (including coaches) or group of squad members that results in unsporting acts immediately following the contest will result in a penalty against the member school athletic program, and additional penalties against the individuals or schools as deemed appropriate following investigation.

Case CR-18 - Who pays for the trophies for KHSAA postseason Competition?

In all sports and sport-activities, the host of the event is responsible for the payment of trophies and is permitted to take that amount for the standard trophies ordered by the Association from gate receipts or other agreed fees. Those not charging a fee for admission are permitted to assess each member school for entry into the event to help cover these and other costs, but such assessment shall be included in any financial settlement published for the event.

Case CR-19 - Are financial reconciliation reports required to be submitted to the KHSAA after KHSAA postseason events?

Yes. All levels of KHSAA postseason event require a financial reconciliation.

Case CR-20 - Has the Board of Control adopted a position statement or policy on the realignment / alignment of teams?

Yes. On a perpetual basis, the Commissioner shall ensure that staff maintains a current alignment of teams in each sport with the following review points considered:

If a single school adds a team (or individuals) or deletes a team (or all individuals), the alignment may be revised on an ongoing basis by the Commissioner;

The Board of Control may, at its own discretion, choose to realign all teams participation in a sport or sport activity based on input from the Commissioner;

A realignment may also be caused by a previously adopted alignment having an expiration of its valid period. This is especially important in the enrollment based sports (classified sports). Cross Country/Track and Field and Football are aligned on a four-year alignment period;

Cross Country and Track and Field shall have the same alignment;

Football shall be aligned based on the average four-year enrollment of boys in the school, including the year in which the realignment project is completed, and the final alignment shall attempt to result in a final product being adopted at least twelve (12) months notice to the member schools for scheduling;

Cross Country/Track and Field shall be aligned on a not less than every four year basis, using the average four-year enrollment of total students in the school, including the year in which the realignment project is completed; and Specific parameters about each sport alignment shall be

contained in the Competition rules for the Sport or Sport Activity.

Whenever a sport or sport activity is to be realigned, the Board shall direct the Commissioner to produce the necessary information as to seed discussion by the Board of Control. The criteria and factors to be used in developing a draft alignment shall adhere to the following steps:

Identification as to whether or not enrollment classifications will be used;

Plot/Diagram the location of all competing schools; Begin by looking at geographic clusters of schools. Geography (including specific travel route information) is an important criteria for placement in groups (regions, districts, etc.), but is not the sole determinant for placement;

Travel routes must be reviewed as a potential factor, as well as the identification of the existence of multiple travel routes;

In the non-classified team sports (baseball, basketball, soccer, softball, volleyball), the basketball alignment should be an initial framework, specifically the region boundaries;

If possible in the non-classified team sports, the district boundaries should be important element, but the level of participation of the schools in the district must be factor;

The unique factors of each sport, particularly the individual sports, must be reviewed including facilities; and

The participation and alignment history, both individual and teams, is a factor in consideration, but not the final determinant;

When reviewing alternative suggestions for alignments, the Board shall prioritize the requests from the membership that effect the requesting school over those suggestions that result from suggestions about other schools without effecting the suggesting school.

The following factors are NOT to be considered:

Past success or failure;

Enrollment (in a non-classified sport);

Socio-economic status and student body composition;

Type of school (A1, D1, F1, J1, M1, R1); and

Specific desires of coaches (input must be from administrative level).