Veterans who do not desire to work playoffs and new officials are required to maintain a solid understanding of the National Federation Rules of Football in order to officiate high school games in Colorado. Each official is required to demonstrate his rules knowledge by passing a test approved by the CFOA Board with the passing score as established by the CFOA Board at the summer meeting.

The CFOA veteran (non-playoff) and new officials rules test will be offered on Arbiter from July 15, 2021 and remain open.

- The veteran and new officials’ rules test is 80 unaltered non-randomized NFHS questions from past years.
- The veteran (non-playoff) and new officials rules test must be completed individually and not in a group/crew setting.
- Officials may look up answers in the rules book but cannot collaborate with another individual.
- Three attempts to take the test may be made.
- The passing score is 85%

The CFOA new official rules test will be offered on Arbiter from July 15, 2021 and remain open.

Veteran (non-playoff) and new officials will have three attempts to achieve a passing score of 85% on the non-randomized test. For veterans (non-playoff), failure to pass the test in three attempts will place the official on probation. If a veteran (non-playoff) official fails all three attempts he/she will remain on probation in the off season and any varsity assignments in 2022 will not be allowed until a passing score is achieved. The veteran official will then have three attempts at passing the 2022 veteran (non-playoff) rules test in 2022. Failure to achieve a score of 85% in 2022 will require the official to turn back all 2022 varsity assignments.

Also Note – Failure by veterans (non-playoff) to achieve a minimum score of 65 on the rules test will require turn back of all current year varsity and sub varsity assignments.

New officials will have three attempts to achieve a passing score of 85 on the test. Failure to pass the test in three attempts will require turn back of all football assignments and re-register as a new official in 2022.