



*March 12, 2019*

Dear CTFOA Officials,

**A MESSAGE FROM JENN ROBERTS UHLIG CHSAA ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER**

It is hard to believe that we have already embarked on yet another T&F experience. I once again look forward to a great season and working with all of you as we provide the very best possible experiences for our student-athletes across the State of Colorado. Thank you again for all you do for the sport of Track & Field and I appreciate you very much.

**K.C. LOGAN COLORADO STATE RULES INTERPRETER SPEAKS TO THE UNIFORM RULE CHANGES**

**New Uniform Rule Minimizes Issues and Allows Flexibility**

KC Logan, Rules Interpreter

In 2014, a rule change allowed above-the-knee garments to be worn under the uniform bottom without logo or color restrictions. In 2019, this change will apply to *all* garments worn **under** the uniform top *and* bottom.

**Rule 4-3-1.7:** Any visible garment(s) worn underneath the uniform top and/or bottom is considered a foundation garment. Foundation garments are **not** subject to logo, trademark reference, or color restrictions.

Athletes competing in individual events and relay events now have full flexibility when selecting the garments to wear under the required uniform. This minimizes issues for participants as well as officials, who will only monitor the uniform top and bottom.

The rule continues in clarifying uniform requirements for relays and cross country.

**Rule 4-3-2a:** All relay and cross-country team members must wear uniforms clearly indicating, through predominant color, school logo, and color combination of all outer garments worn as a uniform, that members are from the same team.

Again, this change promotes simplification and flexibility; however, it also increases the subjectivity for officials when determining relay team members' uniform compliance. In our state, we have agreed to the following:

**Relay Team Uniform Compliance Guidelines**

- Uniform top has the same predominant color on the front, and the same school name or logo on the front.
- Uniform top has the same design in the back.
- Uniform bottom has the same predominant color in the front and back.
- Side panels or side striping on the uniform top and bottom, whether they exist or not, should not be a factor in determining compliance.

These guidelines should assist coaches in outfitting their relay teams with compliant uniforms. They will also be helpful to officials who are fielding uniform questions and determining compliance.

To view examples of compliant or non-compliant relay uniforms, view the eleven-slide PowerPoint titled, *2019 Relay Uniform Compliance*, on the CHSAA website.

### **REQUESTS ARE COMING IN FROM LEAGUES REQUESTING OFFICIALS TO WORK THEIR QUALIFYING MEETS.**

The CTFOA has received several requests for officials to work Qual Meets this spring. With more and more meets being offered across the state, additional officials are needed. Once we receive a request, we provide meet directors, athletic directors, assignors, etc. with a list of certified officials for them to contact. This list is also posted on the CHSAA website for their/our convenience as well.

### **200 CERTIFIED OFFICIALS FOR THE 2019 T&F SEASON**

We would like to thank over 200 of you who paid your dues, registered on ARBITER, updated your background checks, attended your annual mandatory rules clinic and passed your online test. We would also like to welcome the new officials who have joined our ranks this year. We realize that all of you have busy schedules that you have to juggle in order to make room for one or two more things when it comes time for the T&F season. There were approximately 80 officials who attended the Rules Clinic in Aurora on Friday night 1-25-19 and approximately 40 officials who attended on Saturday afternoon at the annual CHSCA T&F Clinic. We would also like to thank those officials who attended one of the 11 Satellite Clinics around the state again this year. Also, a special thanks to those officials who went to great lengths to attend a clinic when it would have been much easier to stay at home. We again thank you for your time and efforts. In addition, we would also like to give a special shout out to those who presented at the CHSCA Clinics and the Satellite Clinics around the state and to those who offered a clinic at their site. Many don't know that these presenters & hosts donate their time and money to provide us with these clinics free of charge and they never ask for anything in return. Recently however, there have been a few officials who have had to put their officiating on hold until next season for different reasons. We look forward to having them back next year.

### **2019 CASE BOOK CORRECTION**

On page 71 of the Case Book (Situation 6.4.12) is incorrect. The ruling should be "**protest upheld.**" For record attempts, you measure before each record attempt. The verbiage in the situation and comments is accurate according to K.C. Logan one of our rule's interpreters.

### **Proper installation of the ASTM F2924-12 Pole Vault Box Collar**

To be effective and compliant, the pole vault box collar needs to be installed in accordance with the ASTM F2949-12 specifications. The box collar is frequently not set up according to the ASTM specifications. This is of particular concern when using a raised runway with the pit resting on the ground or if the landing pad rests on a raised platform. The following documentation comes from the ASTM Designation F2949 – 12, Standard Specifications for Pole Vault Box Collars

5.1 Minimum Dimensions - A pole vault box collar shall be at least 122 cm (48 in.) wide and 146 cm (57 1/2 in.) long.

5.2 Maximum Thickness - A pole vault box collar shall be no more than 10 cm (4 in.) thick.

5.3 Maximum Dimensions of Box Collar Cutout - At the box collar's uppermost surface in the vertical plane passing through the front edge of the pole slide, the horizontal distance from left to right across the box collar cutout shall be no more than 58 cm (23 in.).

5.4 Minimum Dimensions of Box Collar Cutout—At the box collar's upper most surface in the vertical plane passing through the front edge of the pole slide, the horizontal distance from left to right across the box collar cutout shall be no less than 56 cm (22 in.).

5.7 The body of the box collar shall **extend rearward at least 30 cm (12 in.) under the front buns** of the pole vault landing system.

5.8 The body of the box collar shall **extend laterally at least 15 cm (6 in.) under the front buns** of the pole vault landing system.

The CTFOA has pictures available upon request that shows the correct and incorrect installation procedure(s). Please contact K.C. Logan if you are interested.



..... **IMPORTANT DATES** .....

**March 7, 2019**

First track meets of the season were held.

**May 11, 2019**

Track & Field regular season ends.

**April 1, 2019**

State Track assigning meeting @ CHSAA.

**May 16, 17, 18, 2019**

Colorado T&F State Championships at JEFFCO Stadium  
Classification time schedule is posted online.

**NOW IS THE TIME TO PURCHASE A CTFOA OFFICIALS BAG FOR MEETS?**

As you may not know, the CTFOA has partnered with **Chawnae Wolff of "Champion Team Wear"** to offer our officials a travel bag that is very functional for all our officiating needs. These bags were introduced last season and have been purchased by a number of officials who have found it to be convenient to carry everything we need including extra clothing as well as starters pistols, shell etc. This bag is brightly colored, has hand carry straps, a shoulder strap and comes with the CTFOA "logo" along with your "initials" **embroidered** on the bag with heavy duty large easy to read letters. This bag which includes embroidery sells for \$37.00 plus \$6.00 shipping. Our contact person for this bag is **Chawnae Wolff**. Chawnae may be reached at **800-336-4486 ext.1119** or by email at **[Chawnae.wolff@hanes.com](mailto:Chawnae.wolff@hanes.com)**. This bag works well for trips to the gym and on the road during the off season as well.

**2019 SPRING TRACK & FIELD OFFICIALS "REQUIRED" UNIFORM**

When working in the capacity as a certified official at all qualifying meets, you are required to be in your officials' uniform. Christine at Rock Soft Chenille has Optic Yellow and fluorescent orange Polos in stock for men and women this season and they are available for immediate shipping and these shirts and jackets come to us embroidered with our CTFOA logo. In addition, Black, Khaki, Tan, Stone colored shorts and/or long pants **ONLY** are also required when working these meets which includes clerks. Please contact Christine soon and get yours ordered.

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Christine accepts credit/debit cards and she will mail your shirts/jackets to your home or business. Embroidery and shipping are included in the price of all shirts and jackets. Shirts come in women's and men's sizes. S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL are \$2.00 more. CTFOA jackets including embroidery are available in Optic Yellow and/or Fluorescent Orange for \$50.

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING AS A CROSS COUNTRY OFFICIAL IN THE FALL OF 2019 AND AT REGIONALS?**

If you would like for your name to appear on the XC Officials list that is posted on the CHSAA website prior to and during the season, please contact Gary at **[gharleyclassic@gmail.com](mailto:gharleyclassic@gmail.com)**. This list will be provided on the CHSAA website for athletic, meet directors and assignors to contact.

If you have a question, suggestion or concern, please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

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