

Washington Officials Association Approved Uniform Guidelines

The Code of Ethics for Officials states: "Officials shall prepare themselves both physically and mentally, shall dress neatly and appropriately, and shall comport themselves in a manner consistent with the highest standards of the profession."

- A. The following apparel must be worn by the First and Second Referees for all WIAA Varsity interscholastic matches:
 - WOA sublimated blue polo shirt tucked in with black pants, black shoes, and black socks.
- B. The following apparel may be worn **with** the sublimated blue polo shirt by the R1 and R2 for all WIAA Varsity interscholastic matches:
 - White or black long or short sleeve shirt worn as an undergarment.
 - White v-neck sweater, white ½ or full zip sweatshirt, white vest, white crewneck sweatshirt with the collar of the sublimated shirt visible. Optional apparel between officials need not match.
 - No other logos, other than Local Board logos, should be visible on the above.
- C. The approved sublimated blue (or white as noted below) polo shirt has the WOA logo, WIAA logo, and the American Flag appropriately placed in the shirt. For the Fall 2024 season, all line judges, scorers, and assistant scorers <u>assigned to a varsity match</u> must wear the white or blue sublimated WOA shirt for varsity matches.
- D. All other officials of an interscholastic match to include non-varsity R1 and R2, line judges, scorers and assistant scorers are allowed to wear the blue or white sublimated shirt, or a plain, unadorned, white polo shirt. No patch or logos are required on this shirt. (The uniform requirements for non-high school matches will be up to the individual Associations and Local Boards.)
- E. Black dress pants with an allowable black belt shall be worn. Black dress shorts are allowed when the outside temperature is 75 degrees or above. Wearing shorts should only be done when deemed appropriate for the environment and does not detract from the professional appearance of the officials. Faded black pants (i.e. cotton Dockers) lycra/spandex, joggers, or cargo pants are not acceptable. Pants will be clean and in good repair. If pants have belt loops then a black belt with an unobtrusive buckle should be worn.
- F. Black shoes must be 90% black with black or white soles.
- G. As officials, and role models of the rules, conspicuous jewelry is not allowed but a ring and/or discreet earrings, religious jewelry, and jewelry for medical purposes may be worn.
- H. Modifications to the uniform requirements, for religious purposes, are allowed.