



Officials Information



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Wednesday, June 11, 2025

Greetings and welcome to the 2025 - 26 school year! I hope your summer has been enjoyable. My name is Kurt Gibson, and I am the Director of Officiating Services for the IHSA. Please know how much our office and membership appreciates the commitment you are making to high school students in Illinois this year. Without your commitment and efforts, hundreds of thousands of students would not be able to participate in interscholastic sports.

Included in this document is a list, by sport, of important dates for officials. I would encourage you to become familiar with those in sports you are licensed.

Here are some important dates:

- **May 1 – May 31, 2025: Open Early Bird Registration- for all sports for the 2025 -26 school year**
- **May 31, 2025: last date for Early Bird Registration for 2025 – 26 school year**
- **June 1 - July 31, 2025: Renewal and licensing period regular fees for all sports.**
- **August 1, 2025: late renewal and licensing period for fall sport officials.**
- **October 1, 2025: late renewal and licensing period for winter sport officials.**
- **February 1, 2026: late renewal and licensing period for spring sport officials**
- **April 15, 2026: last day for new/first time official to license in all sports**
- **April 15-30, 2026: no official applications and/or dues will be accepted**

The IHSA Officials Center is a key location for all information for officials: notes, reminders, etc. will be posted there. Rule books will be mailed when the sport is eligible for rule books, and a list for the years when sports are eligible can be found in the **Officials Handbook**. As a result, it's important for you to take responsibility to stay current with developments by checking your personal site in the IHSA Officials Center on a regular basis.

The IHSA Officials Center is also the location to keep your personal data up to date. Please make sure your email on file with our office is correct. That is the address we will use for any communications that do go out to specific individuals or groups.

Thanks again for your service to IHSA member school. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the IHSA Office.

Sincerely,

Kurt J. Gibson
Director of Officiating Services, IHSA



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	Available in Officials Center
Football	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Wed., 8/6/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Wed., 8/6/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri. 9/5/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 9/9/2025
Online Part 2 Testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Rules Meeting ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 9/17/2025
Official Assignment Process (Approx to begin)	09/07/2025
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	09/07/2025
Assignment History updated	Approx. 12/5
New Officials Licensing Period ends for 2024 – 25 school year	4/15/2026
Flag Football	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Wed, 8/6/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Wed., 8/6/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Rules Meeting ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 9/17/2025
Official Assignment Process (Approx to begin)	09/7/2025
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	09/7/2025
New Officials Licensing Period ends for 2024 – 25 school year	4/15/2026
Girls & Boys Swimming & Diving	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Wed., 8/6/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Wed, 8/6/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 9/5/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 9/9/2025
Online Part 2 Testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Rules Meeting ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed.,9/17/2025
Official Assignment (Approx to begin) (Girls; Boys)	09/7/2025; 12/7/2025
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series (Girls; Boys)	9/7/2025; 12/7/2025
Assignment History updated (Girls; Boys)	Approx. 12/5
Boys & Girls Soccer	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Wed., 8/6/2025



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Online Part 1 testing begins	Wed., 8/6/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri. 9/5/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues. 9/9/2025
Online Part 2 Testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Part 1 Testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Rules Meeting ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 9/17/2025
Official Assignment (Approx to begin) (Boys; Girls)	9/7/2025, 3/7/2026
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series (Boys; Girls)	9/7/2025; 3/7/2026
Assignment History updated (Boys; Girls)	Approx 12/5 & 6/20
Girls & Boys Volleyball	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Wed., 8/6/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Wed., 8/6/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 9/5/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues. 9/9/2025
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Tues., 9/16/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 9/17/2025
Official Assignment (Approx to begin) (Girls; Boys)	9/7/2025; 3/7/2026
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series (Girls; Boys)	9/7/2025; 3/7/2026
Assignment History updated (Girls; Boys)	Approx. 12/5; 6/20
Cross Country	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Tues., 8/6/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues., 8/6/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Tues., 9/16/2025
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Tues., 9/16/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 9/17/2025
Competitive Cheerleading	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Tues., 8/12/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues., 9/23/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 11/21/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 11/25/2025
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 12/2/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Tues., 10/28/2025
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Tues., 10/28/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 12/3/2025
Official Assignment Process (Approx to Begin)	12/7/2025



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Assignment History updated	Approx. 4/01
Girls Gymnastics	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Tues, 9/23/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues.10/21/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 11/21/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 11/25/2025
Online Part 2 Testing ends	Tues., 12/2/2025
Online Part 1 Testing ends	Mon., 11/24/2025
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Mon., 11/24/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 12/3/2025
Official Assignment Process (Approx to Begin)	12/7/2025
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	12/7/2025
Assignment History updated	Approx. 4/01
Competitive Dance	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Wed., 8/12/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues., 9/23/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 11/21/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 11/25/2025
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 12/2/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Tues., 10/28/2025
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Tues., 10/28/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 12/3/2025
Official Assignment Process (Approx to Begin)	12/7/2025
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	12/7/2025
Assignment History updated	Approx. 4/01
Girls & Boys Basketball	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Tues., 10/21/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues.,10/21/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 11/21/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 11/25/2025
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 12/2/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Mon., 11/17/2025
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Mon., 11/17/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 12/3/2025
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Assignment History updated	Approx. 4/01



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Wrestling	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Tues., 10/21/2025
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues., 10/21/2025
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 11/21/2025
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 11/25/2025
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 12/2/2025
Online Part 1 testing ends	Mon., 11/24/2025
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Mon., 11/24/2025
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 12/3/2025
Official Assignment Process (Approx to Begin)	12/7/2025
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	12/7/2025
Assignment History updated	Approx. 4/01
Track & Field	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Mon., 1/5/2026
Online Part 1 testing begins	Mon., 1/5/2026
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 3/14/2026
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 3/17/2026
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 3/24/2026
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Mon., 2/2/2026
Online Part 1 Testing ends	Mon., 2/2/2026
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 3/25/2026
Official Assignment Process May Begin	3/7/2026
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	3/7/2026
Assignment History updated	Approx. 6/20
Baseball	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Tues., 2/17/2026
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues., 2/17/2026
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 3/13/2026
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 3/17/2026
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 3/24/2026
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Mon., 3/16/2026
Online Part 1 Testing ends	Mon., 3/16/2026
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 3/25/2026
Official Assignment Process May Begin	3/7/2026
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Assignment History updated	Approx. 6/20



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Softball	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Tues., 2/17/2026
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues., 2/17/2026
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 3/13/2026
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 3/17/2026
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 3/24/2026
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Mon., 3/16/2026
Online Part 1 Testing ends	Mon., 3/16/2026
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 3/25/2026
Official Assignment Process May Begin	3/7/2026
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	3/7/2026
Assignment History updated	Approx. 6/20
Water Polo	
Online Rules Meeting begins	Tues., 2/17/2026
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues., 2/17/2026
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 3/13/2026
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 3/17/2026
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 3/24/2026
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Mon., 3/9/2026
Online Part 1 Testing ends	Mon., 3/9/2026
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 3/25/2026
Official Assignment Process May Begin	3/7/2026
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	3/7/2026
Assignment History updated	Approx. 6/20
Lacrosse (Boys & Girls)	
Online Rules Meeting	Tues., 2/17/2026
Online Part 1 testing begins	Tues., 2/17/2026
Online Promotion application deadline	Fri., 3/13/2026
Online Part 2 Testing begins	Tues., 3/17/2026
Online Part 2 Testing deadline	Tues., 3/24/2026
Online Rules Meeting deadline	Mon., 3/16/2026
Online Part 1 Testing ends	Mon., 3/16/2026
Probation/Suspension Calculated	Wed., 3/25/2026
Official Assignment Process May Begin	3/7/2026
Officials Calendars Must be updated to be assigned to State Series	3/7/2026
Assignment History updated	Approx. 6/20