

**MICHIGAN OFFICIALS
ASSOCIATION**

**2009-2010 BASEBALL
INFORMATION BOOK**

**MICHIGAN OFFICIALS
ASSOCIATION**

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**RICHARD WEISS
PRESIDENT/SECRETARY**

**OFFICE HOURS
MON – THUR 2:30PM – 7:30PM
WEEKENDS 9:00AM – 1:00 PM**

**MICHIGAN OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION
2009 BOARD MEMBERS**

FOOTBALL	NORM GOZALKA	313-388-3319
	FRANK JASKULA	734-671-8726
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The Board Members are here to assist the member of the Association

**MICHIGAN OFFICIALS
ASSOCIATION
Trainers**

Michigan Officials association is an approved association for MHSAA.

Your Association is Zone #3.

Your Association Number is 680.

ASSOCIATION TRAINERS

FOOTBALL

Norm Gozalka
Jamie Hinojosa
Frank Jaskula
Gary Gilland

BASKETBALL

Andy Sueta
Blaine Wilding
Dave Liberacki
James Murdoch
Kelly Hughes

BASEBALL

Mitch Flogaus
Dave Shalda
Blaine Wilding
Jamie Hinojosa
Norm Gozalka

SOFTBALL

Kay Kornis
Scott Shaw
Theresa Chretien
Sam Fiori

CERTIFIED ASSIGNOR

Richard Weiss

MEMBER OF NASO – L.O.A.N – NFIOA

MICHIGAN OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION BASEBALL UNIFORMS

**Association Shirt: HMLS-R Red M.O.A.*
With Red Collar w/White & Navy Trim**

**Optional: HMLS-PB Lt. Blue M.O.A.*
With Black Collar w/White and Blue Trim
(If you wear this Lt Blue Shirt, you must wear a
Navy Blue T-Shirt)**

**Navy Jacket M.O.A.*
Blue Jacket with Red Stripes. Honigs #K17-N**

**Navy Hat
Hat must be embroidered with M.O.A.**

**One Piece Head Mask (Optional)
(The mask cannot be altered or decorated in anyway)**

**Grey Slacks M.O.A.
(M.O.A. Uniform slacks are Heather Grey)
(Charcoal Grey is allowed as long as both umpires wear
them)**

Black Socks

Black Shoes (Manufacturer's Logo allowed)

Black Belt

Blue Ball Bag

**All Umpires must have clean and neat uniforms
This is a MUST!!!!**

***M.O.A. items must be purchased from Honig's (1-888-468-3284)**

**MICHIGAN OFFICIALS
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2009/2010 MEETING SCHEDULE**

DAY	DATE	TIME
Monday	3-2-09	7:00
Monday	3-23-09	7:00
Saturday	3-28-09	3:30
	(Mandatory Mechanics in Gym)	
Monday	4-6-09	7:00
Monday	4-20-09	7:00
Monday	5-4-09	7:00
Monday	5-18-09	7:00
Baseball School		
Monday	3-9-09	4:00
Monday	3-16-09	4:00
Monday	3-23-09	4:00
Monday	3-30-09	4:00

Baseball School is open to ALL OFFICIALS

Baseball Mechanics will be handled at Baseball School and during regular meetings

Mandatory Rules Meeting

This meeting will no longer be at Riverview High School. The Rules Meeting will be online. This Online meeting launches Feb 2 thru March 27th.

MICHIGAN OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION RULES

1. Working outside the Association is prohibited. The only exception would be if you have permission from the President.

Exceptions

- i. Varsity Football
- ii. Varsity Basketball
- iii. NO Varsity Baseball
- iv. NO Reserve Ball of Any Kind
- v. No Junior High of Any Kind

The only exception to c,d, and e would be that you receive approval from the President.

Penalty for the infraction is **DISMISSAL**

2. Swapping of games is a \$50 fine to the person giving the game away and a \$50 fine to the person that takes it without the knowledge of the President/Secretary
3. Working without being registered with the Michigan High School Athletic Association is a \$500 fine
4. Concerning the new rule involving the calling off of games: The first time will be the price of the game plus \$10 and a letter of reprimand. The second fine will be the price of the game and a board appearance with possible discharge.
5. Not coming to a regular association meeting will result in the removal of two games from your schedule.

You must notify the office on the day of the meeting that you are not able to attend and you must pick up your schedule on the following day between 2:00 pm and 5:00 pm.

The fine for not picking up your schedule by 5:00 pm Tuesday is \$10.

NO APPEAL

MICHIGAN OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION RULES & REGULATIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION

REMINDER: Violation of these rules could result in fines, suspensions or discharge

1. Late for a game is a \$10 fine for the first offense. Subsequent offenses are a \$10 fine plus possible suspension
2. **ABSOLUTELY NO SWAPPING OF GAMES!!!!!!** All changes must be made through the Secretary or President
3. No smoking before, during or after games until you have left the ball field. Violation will result in an appearance before the board to decide on a fine.
4. Absolutely **NO PROFANITY** at any sporting event.
5. No interaction between officials and players before, during or after any sporting event. Violations will result in AUTOMATIC discharge.
6. Failure to wear proper uniform will result in a \$10 fine for the first offense and a fine plus possible suspension for subsequent offenses. (Uniforms codes are specified on a separate sheet)
7. Uniforms must be clean and pressed. Violations will result in a \$10 fine.

MICHIGAN OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

TO: Michigan Officials Association Members
FROM: Michigan Officials Fine Committee
DATE: February 23, 1991
RE: By-Laws & Constitution (Fines)

The following list of fines has been approved by the membership of the Michigan Officials Association and will be enforced by the appointed fine committee. Enforcement of these rules will begin with the start of the softball/baseball 1991 season.

Article 4/Section 1: Calling off a game under any circumstances will cost the official the price of the game – NO APPEAL.

Article 4/Section 6: Officials missing their assignment shall be fined the price of the game plus \$10. NO APPEAL.

Article 5/Section 3: Officials shall wear the designated officials apparel approved by the association. Not wearing approved apparel is a \$10 fine. NO APPEAL

Article 5/Section 4: Working outside the association without the consent of the President/Secretary will result in a fine, suspension and/or discharge.

Article 5/Section 4: Being late for a game will result in a \$10 fine. NO APPEAL.

MICHIGAN OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

1. Register with the MHSAA each year on a timely basis (by July 1st), do not work interscholastic contests in sports for which current registration is not held and attend all required meetings.
2. Join and actively participate in local officials association.
3. Execute and honor contracts
4. Be on time for all contests
5. Make thorough preparations, physically and mentally, for each season and every assigned contest.
6. Present a clean and professional image in terms of personal appearance and uniform, and provide a positive role model in terms of personal habits and conduct. Use of tobacco within the sight of players and spectators and use of alcohol any time before a contest on the day of the contest is not acceptable.
7. Cultivate professional relationships with partners, players , coaches, administrators and spectators.
8. Make clear signals and concise rulings and instructions to scorers, timers, and teams. Use only those signals which have been authorized by the rules, codes and the MHSAA.
9. Admin and correct one's own errors, hold to correct but unpopular decisions, and support the decisions of other officials.
10. Maintain self control at all times.
11. Recruit, encourage and assist new officials.
12. Volunteer to work scrimmages as often as possible as a service to schools and for the opportunity to gain experience and improve officiating skills.

MICHIGAN OFFICIAL ASSOCIATION

MOST COMMON OFFICIATING ERRORS AND HOW TO AVOID THEM

1. Don't have fun
2. Don't keep an accurate schedule
3. Don't take care of business
4. Don't bother to look your best before every game
5. Don't carry a list of officials phone numbers
6. Don't arrive early
7. Don't park your car strategically
8. Don't have a strong pregame
9. Don't keep you meeting with team captains and coaches brief
10. Don't bother to pause, read, and react
11. Don't it before the play
12. Don't wait
13. Don't start each game fresh
14. Don't study definitions
15. Don't wait to climb the ladder
16. Don't resist the gossip temptation
17. Don't keep the rules the same

Don't finish every game strong!



Game Suspension Policies (*Inclement Weather*)

- I. On threatening days, game management should consult with contest officials about steps to be followed if conditions worsen.
- II. When suspending an outdoor contest, officials and game management shall follow these policies.
 - A. When lightning is observed or thunder is heard, the contest must be suspended. The occurrence of lightning or thunder is not subject to interpretation or discussion — lightning is lightning; thunder is thunder.
 - B. Severe weather in the form of rain or snow may make the field unplayable.
- III. When a contest is suspended, the home school administration shall attempt to arrange for the security of all participants.
 - A. Contestants and support personnel shall be moved to appropriate indoor facilities.
 - B. When lightning is observed or thunder is heard and the contest is suspended, contestants shall not return to the playing field until lightning has been absent from the local sky and thunder has not been heard for 30 minutes.
 - C. Spectators shall be advised of the action being taken to seek shelter. (Some hosts may be able to offer shelter to spectators but are not required to do so.)
- IV. In considering resumption of competition, the following steps shall be followed.
 - A. Delays for contests scheduled **prior to 3 p.m.** must not exceed three hours. Delays for contests scheduled for **3 p.m. or later** must not exceed one and one half hour. **Delays on nights not followed by school for all the competing teams may be longer by mutual agreement of participating schools.** A postponed contest shall be rescheduled on a date/time mutually agreed to by the schools involved.
 - B. A decision to resume the contest within the time frame must be made by the officials who shall consult the home team administration and visiting school administration present at the contest.
 - C. The home school is responsible for facilities and will be given priority consideration in the final decision if there is not consensus among the three parties.
 - D. The final decision shall consider liability and conditions of facilities as well as future

schedules, need to play the contest and finally the quality of all other options.

NOTE: MHSAA tournament policies for MHSAA tournament contests, or more restrictive local policies for regular-season contests would supersede these policies and should be shared with the opponents and officials prior to the contest, preferably in writing.

Otherwise, and to the extent allowed by the playing rules code, the official(s) shall make the final decision regarding game suspension once the game begins.

REGULAR-SEASON CONTEST DELAYS

When a league or conference does not have a written policy regarding late contest start time, the following MHSAA policy shall apply:

1. If a team fails to arrive for a regular-season contest at the time stated on the contract, it shall be necessary for the host administration to delay the contest, declare the game forfeited, reschedule the contest, or declare the event “no contest.”
2. If the host management has been notified of the reason for the delay and projected arrival, the officials must stand by for 60 minutes beyond the scheduled starting time. When the team arrives, a reasonable amount of time must be provided for the visiting team to conduct a pregame warm-up. In any case, warm-up shall not be less than 15 minutes.
3. If the host management has not been notified that there is a delay and the reason for it, the officials have permission to leave the site, without obligation, 30 minutes after the contracted start time has passed.

(In MHSAA tournament play, the Participating School Tournament Information for each sport will prescribe the specific action to be taken. For regular-season play, league and conference policy supercedes the policy above, so coaches and officials should inquire with their league to see if any policy exists.)

**MICHIGAN OFFICIALS
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SCHOOL LOCATIONS**

Allen Park High School	18401 Champaign Allen Park 48101 Champaign between Pelham and Allen Road. Varsity baseball, football and softball behind school. Other baseball at Champaign Park
Allen Park Middle School	8401 Vine, Allen Park 48101 Vine at Champaign, between Allen Rd and Dix
Annapolis High School	4650 Clippert, Dearborn Heights 48125 Annapolis and Clippert, north of Van Born between Pelham and Monroe. Football, baseball and softball at Pardee Elementary School, Pardee and Annapolis – north of Van Born and West of Monroe
Brake Middle School	Taylor – Northline between Telegraph and Pardee (next to Kennedy High School on the west side)
Cabrini High School	15305 Wick, Allen Park 48101
Carlson High School	30550 West Jefferson Gilbraltar 48173 West Jefferson South of Gilbraltar Rd and east of I-75
Clark Park	Detroit – Clark Street north of I-75, south of Vernor, between Livernois and W. Grand Blvd.
Dearborn High School	19501 Outer Drive – less than 1 mile north of Michigan Ave
Edsel Ford High School	20601 Rotunda – Corner of Rotunda and Pelham
Flat Rock High School	25600 Seneca, Flat Rock 48134 East of Telegraph west of I-75
Fordson High School	13800 Ford Road – West of Schafer
Garden City High School	6500 Middlebelt Garden City 48135
Grosse Ile High School	7800 Grays Drive, Grosse Ile 48138 Take free bridge (just north of W Jefferson, Van Horn Intersection) It becomes Grosse Ile Parkway to Meridan, turn left to Gray's Drive (one block past light at Macomb Street) turn right to school. High School is on the left side of the road
Hoover Middle School	27101 Beverly, Taylor 48180 Taylor-Beverly Road, off of Inkster between Ecorse Rd and Van Born
Huron High School	32044 Huron River Drive, New Boston 48164 Huron River Drive, West of Middlebelt, East of I-275
Kennedy High School	13505 John F Kennedy Drive, Taylor 48180 Taylor – Northline between Telegraph and Pardee
Lincoln Park High School	1701 Champaign, Lincoln Park 48146 Champaign between Dix and Fort Street – South of Southfield Rd

Melvindale High School	18656 Prospect, Melvindale 48122 Prospect and Oakwood Blvd, east of Allen Road. Baseball at O'Neil Park. East of Stron Middle School. Softball at Strong Middle School
O.W. Best Middle School	22201 Powers, Dearborn Heights 48125 Dearborn Heights – Corner of Pardee and Powers. North of Van Born between Telegraph and Monroe. Football – same as Annapolis
Papp Park	Taylor – Westlake and Wick between Telegraph and Beech Daly
Parkland Park	Dearborn Heights – Ann Arbor Trail between Ford Rd and Warren Ave. Between Outer Drive and Evergreen. Park is on the North Side
Pulaski Park	Wyandotte – 12 th Street and Walnut, south of Ford (Northline)
Renton Middle School	31578 Huron Drive, New Boston 48164 Next to Huron High
River Rouge High School	1460 Collidge, River Rouge 48218 Coolidge (Schaefer Rd) West of Jefferson. New football field on Coolidge west of School. North Side of Road
Riverview High School	12431 Longsdorf, Riverview 48193 Quarry Road between Pennsylvania and Sibley
Romulus Middle School	37300 Wick Road, Romulus 48174 Wick Road west of Wayne Road, North of 1-94
Saline High School	1300 Campus Parkway, Saline 48176 1-94 thru Ypsilanti to Michigan Ave, Saline Exit. Take Michigan Ave (US12) to Industrial Rd. Make a right turn, the school will be on your left after about ¼ mile.
Simpson Middle School	24900 Meadows, Flat Rock 48134 Gibraltar Rd west of 1-75 left on Aspen, left on Tamarack, left on Meadows to school. Middle School is on the left
Southgate Anderson High	15475 Leroy, Southgate 48195 McCann south of Eureka, east of Dix
Truman High School	11211 Beech Daly, Taylor 48180 Beech Daly south of Goddard
Washtenaw - Huron	2727 Fuller Ann Arbor 48105 Corner of Fuller and Huron River Drive
Wolverines – EMU	I-94 to 1 st Michigan Ave Exit (Ypslanti) – Go to 1 st traffic ligh (Hewitt) take to stadium on your right.
Washtenaw - Pioneer	601 W. Stadium Blvd Ann Arbor 48103
West Middle School	10575 Williams, Taylor 48180 Taylor – Katherine between Goddard and Wick and between Monroe and Pelham
Wilson Middle School	1275 15th Street, Wyandotte 48192

	Goddard and 15 th Street, east of Fort Street
Woodhaven High	24787 Van Horn, Brownstown 48134 Van Horn east of Telegraph
Wyandotte Roosevelt High	540 Eureka, Wyandotte 48192 Eureka between Fort Street and Biddle (Jefferson). Baseball at Memorial Park – 18 th Street between Eureka and Pennsylvania. Freshman boys basketball and rec center at Memorial Park. Softball at Pulaski Park.