

GAME ASSIGNMENTS: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION

The Texas Association of Sports Officials (TASO) has a very specific policy regarding *conflicts of interest in game assignments*, which is as follows:

An official **SHALL NOT KNOWINGLY ACCEPT ASSIGNMENT OF A CONTEST** if any of the following conditions exist:

- A. If there is a TASO Chapter that makes assignments through an assignment secretary; and the assignment <u>did not</u> come through any authorized chapter assignments procedure;
- B. If any official assigned to the contest is not an ACTIVE member in good standing of the appropriate TASO division;
- C. If the official or the official's spouse is employed by any school fielding a team involved in a contest;
- D. If the official is related by blood or marriage as follows: {parent, step-parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, brother, sister, brother/sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, nephew/niece or resident of the same household} to a person affiliated with a team involved in a contest;
 - E. If the official and any person affiliated with a team involved in a contest are former or present teammates, roommates, classmates, business associates or close personal friends;
 - F. If the official or the official's spouse attended or worked at either school within the last 5 years;
 - G. If the official has a child in school in one of the involved schools, or a child who graduated from one of the schools WITHIN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS. Or the official has coached or been affiliated with a club or select (non-jr, middle or high school) team in the past 2 years that has a player or coach on either roster.

The policy further requires that an official should notify the assigning authority of any conflicts of interest <u>prior</u> to game assignments. In addition, an official must notify the assigning authority if the official receives his schedule and determines that a conflict of interest exists. *Any conflict of interest, except a conflict caused by A. or B. above, may be waived by <u>mutual consent of both head coaches</u>. It is a sanctionable violation of the Officials Code of Ethics and the San Antonio Chapter and TASO policy to work a contest in violation of these rules and <u>an official violating these provisions may be placed on probation, fined, suspended or terminated from membership.</u>*

CERTIFICATION ____ I hereby certify that I have no potential conflicts of interest in the assignment of games. ____ I hereby declare that I have potential conflicts of interest in the assignment of games, as I have indicated below: NOTICE: Every member of the San Antonio Chapter of the Texas Association of Sports Officials (Football) is hereby reminded that they are under a continuing obligation to notify this chapter of any potential conflict of interests that occur after the date you execute this Certificate. Print Name: _____ Division: ___ Date: _____ Signature:

