

## KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

**SCHEDULE OF STANDARD VARSITY OFFICIATING AND LICENSING FEES FOR 2025-2026**

A regular season standard varsity per official is set by the Board of Control per the 1971 Federal Court Decree.

Any additional local mileage/ travel allowance may be established by Regional Policy Board for regular season contests and is the only permitted adjustment to the standard fee

Fees listed for all postseason rounds are per official.

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>REGULAR SEASON STANDARD VARSITY FEE</b>	<b>POSTSEASON PER OFFICIAL FEE-UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, NO ADDITIONAL MILEAGE OR TRAVEL ALLOWANCE IS TO BE PAID</b>
<b>Baseball</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$60 first contest for a two-person crew, \$55 each additional contest.</p> <p>The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.</p> <p>If additional officials are assigned, the standard fee may be reduced by \$5 each (\$55 for a three-person crew)</p> <p>In an emergency, a contest can be assigned with a one-person crew with a fee of \$120 per official</p> <p>The total amount paid to baseball umpires in a given local policy board area may be no greater than \$10 more (per contest) than the amount paid to fast pitch umpires</p>	<p>District-\$80 per contest for a three (3)-person crew</p> <p>Region-\$90 per contest for a four (4)-person crew</p> <p>State (all rounds)-\$100 per contest for a four-person crew, In an emergency, \$120 per contest for a three (3)-person crew</p> <p>If desired by the district or region, an alternate/table official will be assigned to all district (or region) contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials.</p> <p>State officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbitrSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official</p>
<b>Basketball</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$60 per contest – three (3)-person crew</p> <p>The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.</p> <p>If due to an emergency approved by the Commission, a crew of two officials is used, the fee is \$90 per official.</p>	<p>All assignments in region and state rounds shall be from outside the normal region of both teams</p> <p>District-\$85 per contest, three-person crew</p> <p>Region-\$110 per contest, three-person crew</p> <p>State-\$120 per contest, three-person crew</p> <p>If desired by the region, an alternate/table official will be assigned to all region contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-court fee for officials, plus travel if required.</p> <p>An alternate/table official will be assigned to all region and state contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-court fee for officials, plus travel if required.</p> <p>Officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbitrSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official</p>
<b>Field Hockey</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$65 per official per regular season contest</p> <p>The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.</p>	<p>Region-\$70 per contest</p> <p>State-\$75 per contest,</p> <p>If desired by the region, an alternate/table official will be assigned to all region contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials.</p> <p>An alternate/table official will be assigned to all state contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials.</p> <p>State officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbitrSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official</p>
<b>Football</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$85 per contest for a five-person crew.</p> <p>Standard fee is \$75 per contest for a seven-person crew (if mutually agreed by both schools)</p> <p>The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.</p> <p>In an emergency, a contest can be assigned with a four-person crew with a fee of \$95 per official</p> <p>Per NFHS rules, a varsity contest cannot be officiated with less than four officials, and a non-varsity contest with less than three officials</p>	<p>All assignments in all rounds shall be from outside the normal region of both teams</p> <p>\$135 /five-person crew, \$120 seven-person crew (first round), \$120 /seven-person crew (second round)</p> <p>\$130 /seven-person crew (third round)</p> <p>\$140 /seven-person crew (fourth round)</p> <p>\$155 /seven-person crew (State)</p> <p>In an emergency, a first-round playoff contest can be assigned with a four-person crew with a fee of \$150 per official</p> <p>Beginning with round 2, an additional official will be assigned to all contests to operate the game clock, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials, plus travel if required.</p> <p>Per NFHS rules, a varsity contest cannot be officiated with less than four officials, and a non-varsity contest with less than three officials</p> <p>State officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way would be paid an additional \$30 per official</p>

<b>Lacrosse</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$90 per contest for a two-person crew.      Standard fee is \$75 per contest for a three-person crew.      Travel more than 100 miles one-way, an additional \$30      The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.</p>	<p>Region -\$100 per contest for a two (2)-person crew; an additional official may be requested by the region manager upon agreement of the competing teams      State First and Second Round - \$110 for a three(3)-person crew      State Semifinals and Finals - \$130 per contest for a three(3)-person crew, \$91 for table/alternate      An alternate/table official will be assigned to all state semifinal and final contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials. If desired by the region, an alternate/table official will be assigned to all region contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials.      Postseason officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbiterSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official</p>
<b>Soccer</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$75 per official per contest for a three (3)-person crew.      If due to an emergency approved by the Commission, a crew of two officials is used, the fee is \$95 per official per contest      The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.      Per NFHS rules, a contest cannot be officiated with less than two officials.</p>	<p>An alternate official will be assigned to all first round state and state contests      District-\$80 per contest for a three (3)-person crew      Region-\$90 per contest for a three (3)-person crew and an alternate official shall be assigned      State (all rounds)-\$120 per contest for a three (3)-person crew      If desired by the district or region, an alternate/table official will be assigned to all district (or region) contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials.      An alternate/table official will be assigned to all state contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials.      First Round and Final Rounds State officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbiterSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official</p>
<b>Softball</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$55 first contest for a two-person crew, \$50 each additional contest.      The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.      If additional officials are assigned, the standard fee may be reduced by \$5 each (\$50 for a three-person crew)      In an emergency, a contest can be assigned with a one-person crew with a fee of \$110 per official      The total amount paid to baseball umpires in a given local policy board area may be no greater than \$10 more (per contest) than the amount paid to fast pitch umpires</p>	<p>District-\$65 per contest for a three-person crew      Region-\$75 per contest for a three-person crew      State-\$95 per contest for a three-person crew,      If desired by the district or region, an alternate/table official will be assigned to all district contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials, plus travel if required.      An alternate/table official will be assigned to all region and state contests, and the fee shall be 70 percent of the on-field fee for officials, plus travel if required.      State officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbiterSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official      In an emergency, a district can be assigned with a two-person crew with a fee of \$95 per official</p>
<b>Swimming</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$60 per meet.      The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.      For invitational meets or those with four or more schools entered, the standard fee is \$75.</p>	<p>Region-\$75 per meet day      Region Swimming and Diving officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbiterSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official      State-Licensed officials are utilized in a variety of roles and positions at the state meet with varying pay scales</p>
<b>Track and Field (and Cross Country)</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$40 per Cross Country race for the Meet Referee, who should be a licensed KHSAA official.      Standard fee is \$55 per division for each of two licensed KHSAA officials for a standard school day or half-day (3 hours or less) weekend Track and Field Meet.      The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.      For larger Track and Field meets that require longer than three hours, the standard fee is \$75 per each of the two licensed officials (Referee &amp; Starter).</p>	<p>Region Cross Country-\$40 per race      Region Track and Field-\$115 per classification (1 Region, boys and girls)      Region Cross Country and Track and Field officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbiterSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official      Cross Country and Track and Field State-Licensed officials are utilized in a variety of roles and positions at the state meet with varying pay scales</p>
<b>Volleyball (Boys and Girls)</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$55 for two officials for all regular season matches (including tournaments) that are played best 3 of 5 sets, or \$50 for the school option of best 2 of 3 sets.      The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.      Per NFHS rules, a contest cannot be officiated with less than two officials.</p>	<p>An alternate official will be assigned to all state contests      District-\$60 per match      Region-\$70 per match      State Officials (all rounds)- \$90 per match for four officials      State officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbiterSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official      Per NFHS rules, a varsity contest cannot be officiated with less than two officials</p>

<b>Wrestling</b>	<p>Standard fee is \$65 per standard dual match for one official, per match. The local regional policy board may authorize an additional fee (add-on) for travel to contests.</p> <p>For team based dual meet competition (tri, quad, etc.), the standard fee is \$65 per team round per official.</p> <p>Tournaments, \$30 per mat, per official, per hour, with a minimum standard fee of \$190 per official</p>	<p>Region- \$235 per single day tournament, \$375 per multiple day tournament ,</p> <p>State-\$255 per day</p> <p>Region and State officials traveling greater than 100 miles one way per the calculations within ArbiterSports would be paid an additional \$30 per official</p>
<b>Postseason Out of Region</b>	<p>Postseason- \$15 additional is added to the minimum standard base fee in Baseball, Basketball (District), Fastpitch Softball, Soccer and Volleyball if the assignment location is not in the normal service area (local association) of the official, and the sport does not mandate all assignments out of region.</p> <p>For those sports that are all assigned out of region, an additional travel component is included in the above listed fee chart.</p>	
<b>Board of Control Standard Varsity Fee Review Schedule</b>	<p>The Board will regularly review varsity contest fees in all sports on a defined schedule in the year prior to implementation of any change. In the years between, changes will only be considered if there is a change in playing rules or number of officials that necessitates emergency review.</p> <p>When the standard fees are increased, the policy board add-in for travel is to remain the same unless approved by the KHSAA Commissioner's office.</p> <p>Non-varsity fees are to be addressed by the Regional Policy Boards only in the year following the review of varsity fees..</p> <p>Considered during 2025/26 to be effective 2026/27 (and every four years thereafter) – Basketball and Wrestling</p> <p>Considered during 2026/27 to be effective 2027/28 (and every four years thereafter) – Baseball, Softball, Field Hockey, Volleyball</p> <p>Considered during 2027/28 to be effective 2028/29 (and every four years thereafter) – Football and Soccer</p> <p>Considered during 2028/29 to be effective 2029/30 (and every four years thereafter) – Cross Country, Track and Swimming</p>	
<b>Licensing Fees for 2025-2026</b>	<p>Administrative Fee (paid once for required criminal records checks, the requested NFOA membership fee by the official including specific insurance, ArbiterSports.com services and other fixed costs)- \$50. That fee is discounted \$25 for junior officials (ages 14-17) due to the lack of background check. That fee is discounted \$10 for first time officials.</p> <p>Per Sport Fee (paid per sport in which official is licensed)- \$20 per sport in all sports except Lacrosse. Lacrosse per sport fee is \$10 for boys and \$10 for girls due to differences in playing rules publications. That per sport fee is discounted \$5 for junior officials (age 14-17) and is not charged officials licensing for their 26th or more years service.</p>	