## **NWBOA Official's Code of Conduct**

- 1. Master both the rules and the mechanics of the game necessary to officiate the contest, and exercise authority in an impartial, firm, and controlled manner to maintain the integrity and safety of the game.
- 2. Work with all assigned officials, table staff, and contest administration in a constructive and cooperative manner. Use professionalism in all interaction with players, coaches, colleagues, parents, and spectators. Be mindful of ego; rudeness and arrogance are counterproductive to a cohesive relationship between all parties.
- 3. Prepare yourself physically and mentally. Dress neatly and appropriately in the required uniform. Conduct yourself in a manner consistent with the high standards of the profession. Uniform consists of black officiating pants, black and white striped officiating shirt with the NWBA patch attached to the left breast, black socks, and black shoes. (Fox 40 Whistle and/or NWBOA Jacket?)
- 4. Officials should not consume alcoholic beverages 8 hours prior to an assigned contest they are scheduled to officiate or between games if there is a break in his/her schedule.
- 5. Officials should be cautious of fraternizing with coaches, players, or parents and should avoid meeting them for extracurricular activities pre or post-game. At no time should officials consume alcoholic beverages while convening with coaches, players, or parents. Be mindful that one's conduct influences the respect that athletes, coaches, parents, and spectators hold for the profession.
- 6. Every official should be aware of his/her schedule and arrive at the game venue 30 to 60 minutes before their scheduled contest. Special attention should be paid to tournament schedules where court and venue locations may be altered.

## **Acknowledgement**

I have read, understand and hereby agree to abide by and sup	•
understand that failure to follow these guidelines (may) could	result in game suspensions
Official's Name:	
Signature:	_ Date: