

WORKBOOK



Guardian of the Game Institute

Name



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knowledge is dangerous.

~ Confucius

AZ QUOTES

In the world of officiating it will go,

“Rule knowledge without experience is

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Unfortunately, many game officials believe because they have been officiating for many years, they know all there is to know. While they may have mastered game management; having a solid educational foundation of the rules of the game is of greater importance. Just because someone has been officiating for 20 years doesn't mean they have been doing it correctly or enforcing it correctly. Experience is a false equivalence, and is no substitute for education. A well balanced game official requires both Education and Experience as well as an honest Evaluation from a peer or mentor. to ensure he/she is on the right track.

Education is the leash that controls Experience and Evaluation is the hand that holds the leash to ensure one stay on the right track.

Andre Bankston







Weekly Task and Reading Assignment

Date: _____

Completed Task ☐

Completed Reading Assignment ☐

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Official's Journal

Date:	Event:	Notes:



PGO OFFICIAL EVALUATION FORM

Trainee Official: _____

Date: _____



PGO Youth Games Evaluations

Read the second page to obtain a description of each blue category.

Game	Date	Official's		Arrival	Uniform	Pre-Game	Play Coverage	Judgment	Mechanics & Signals	Teamwork	Special Situations	Additional	Total
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You must match one "Area of Proficiency" recognition with one "Area of Improvement".

Evaluator: _____

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Category Explanations



Arrival & Departure

There are degrees of lateness:

1. The time before pregame conference
2. The time during pregame conference
3. The time after pregame & prior to Kickoff
4. The Time after game begins
5. Departure after game

Maximum 5 points

Uniform & Professional Appearance

1. Physically Fit to perform task.
2. Good professional appearance:
3. Clean uniform includes shirt, pants, patch, shoes, socks, hat & equipments
4. Clean Shaven - Beard & Mustache neatly trimmed
5. Haircut.

Maximum 5 points

Position & Play Coverage

1. Initial position at start of each play
2. Communication with other officials
3. Pre-Play Signals given properly
4. Proper positioning on play coverage
5. Positioning on Timeouts
6. Kicking coverage.
7. Officials areas of responsibilities and play coverage is done properly.

Maximum 20 points

Judgment

1. Accurately sees the entire play and makes correct calls/no calls according to the rules and temperament of the game.
2. Shows good football sense.
3. Exercises good sound judgment in applying the rules
4. Uses verbal communications vs. flag penalty.

Maximum 20 points

Mechanics & Signals

1. Signals clear & Correct
2. Whistle is loud, clear and correct (not too early or too late)
3. Official make good underhand relay of ball
4. Echoes downs
5. Counts players and signals correctly and timely
6. Handles 1st Downs, end of quarter, penalty administration in accordance with approved mechanics.

Maximum 15 points

Pregame Duties

1. Clear and effective communication
2. Positive attitude
3. Alert & paying attention
4. Positive foundation for game readiness

Referee should lead discussion with participation by entire crew. Coverage of major subjects by checklist or visual aids in such a manner so as to insure complete readiness for the game.

Officials perform pregame duties and assignments

Maximum 5 Points

Teamwork & Professionalism

1. Reflects excellences in teamwork
2. Shows mutual respect towards fellow officials through verbal and body language before, during and after games.
3. Accepts constructive criticism.
4. Avoids being too friendly with coaches and /or players.
5. Shows tact and uses good manners when addressing a player, coach.

Maximum 15 points

Special Situations

Reflects ability to appropriately handle any special situation which may occur during the course of a game. I.E., coaches conduct, behavior situations, sideline/coaches box, exceptions, serious injuries and overtime situations.

Maximum 5 points

Additions

Any tangible/intrigable elements of good officiating as may be present

Examples:

1. Good hustle
2. Positive attitude/leadership
3. Overcoming a previously poor call or game mismanagement problem
4. Positive character traits, such as, courage exhibited, patience and communication

Maximum 10 points