

Dear officiating candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the rules courses offered by the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials, Inc. (IAABO), the premier basketball officiating organization in the world!

In New York, you have the option of officiating either boys' or girls' basketball, or you may also elect to officiate both. Since they use two slightly different rule sets, there is a separate course for each one, as outlined below.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Thank you for your interest in rules courses offered by the New York State Girls Basketball Officials Association (NYSGBOA) and IAABO.

The cost for the course is \$50. Once you've paid, you will be able to access the course immediately with the username and password you set up during registration. You can go through the material at your own pace, as you have time. From the time you enroll, you will have 90 days to complete the course and successfully pass the 50-question NYSGBOA/IAABO candidate exam.

A full, detailed description of the course, its structure, and test requirements are included on the first page once you access the IAABO University platform. If you have any questions about course content or rules, please contact *Louis* (*Louie*) *Stellato* at louie1157@gmail.com. If you have tech-nical issues with the online course platform, please contact *Joe Gabriel* at joe.gabriel@comcast.net.

The course is comprised of eight straightforward and easy-to-follow classes. After you've reviewed the slides in a class, there is a quiz to take. Once you are confident with the material covered in that lesson, move on to the next one until you complete the course. A link for a Google Classroom where you will find a downloadable/printable rules guide and other helpful information will also be provided once you pay for the course.

Passing the rules certification exam is only the first step in becoming an NYSGBOA member. After passing the rules certification exam, a **local board representative** will advise you of any additional costs to prepare you for floor training. Once you've successfully completed the floor training, a **local board representative** will inform you of the specific requirements for becoming a registered member of NYSGBOA.

We do not recommend that you officiate any games until you are a member of the local NYSGBOA board. You do not become a certified official until you've completed all of the necessary steps outlined by your local board; NYSGBOA University is just the <u>first step</u>. Please understand that until you become a registered member of the NYSGBOA, you do not have general liability insurance coverage and would be putting yourself at risk if you officiate games.

Now that we've gotten the formalities out of the way, are you interested in taking the first step to start earning some extra money in one of the best part-time avocations you will ever have? If you are ready to get started, please <u>click here to register for the New York State High School Girls course</u>. Once we receive your payment, you will receive an email with instructions on how to log in.









BOYS' BASKETBALL

The course consists of two parts - the rules portion and the mechanics portion. The cost for both is \$75. Once you've paid, you will be able to access the rules course immediately with the username and password you set up during registration. You can go through the material at your own pace, as you have time. From the time you enroll, you will have 90 days to complete the course and successfully pass the 50-question IAABO candidate exam.

The rules course is comprised of 20 straightforward and easy-to-follow lessons. After you've reviewed the slides in a lesson, there is a quiz to take. You will need to score 80% or higher on each quiz before you can proceed to the next lesson.

A full, detailed description of the rules course, its structure, and test requirements are included in the introductory lesson called "Navigating the IAABO University Course." If you have any questions about course content or rules, please contact me at the email in my signature below, and I will point you in the right direction. If you have <u>technicalissues</u> with the online course platform, please contact *Joe Gabriel* at <u>joe.gabriel@comcast.net</u>.

Passing the rules certification exam is only the first step in becoming an IAABO member. Once you pass the IAABO University exam, you will receive notice within 48 hours of your enrollment in the next step, which is the mechanics portion.

Upon successful completion of the online mechanics exam, a **local board representative** will advise you of any additional costs for floor training, as well as the dues for joining your local board. We do not recommend that you officiate any games until you are a member of the local board.

You do not become a certified official until you've completed all of the necessary steps outlined by your local board; IAABO University is just the <u>first step</u>. Please understand that until you become a registered member of IAABO, you do not have general liability insurance coverage and would be putting yourself at risk if you officiate games.

Now that we've gotten the formalities out of the way, are you interested in taking the first step to start earning some extra money in one of the best part-time avocations you will ever have? If you are ready to get started, please <u>click here to register for the New York Boys' High School rules course</u>. Once we receive your payment, you will receive an email with instructions on how to access the course.

If you have any questions or concerns related to IAABO University (boys' course), please contact me at the address in my signature below. For questions or concerns regarding the NYSGBOA (girls') course, please contact *Louis* (*Louie*) *Stellato* at louie1157@gmail.com.

Good luck!

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