

TO: Permit #«Permit» «FirstName» «LastName», and All Non-Renewed Spring Sport Officials

FROM: OHSAA Officiating Department

RE: OHSAA Spring Sport Renewal Deadline Extended

We hope this email finds you well! As of 7 a.m. today, our records indicate you have a spring sport permit eligible for renewal. Due to the ongoing pandemic, we have extended the spring sport renewal deadline by one month. **The final day to renew a spring sport *without a late fee* is now January 31, 2021.** The final day to renew a spring sport, **with the \$50 late fee** is February 28, 2021.

We cannot guarantee that spring sports will occur, as that decision is left up to the governor's office, local health departments, and local school districts. In the event the season is cancelled, there will be no refunds of dues or credits toward subsequent seasons. If this causes you to choose not to renew your permit, we understand and respect that decision. We are thankful of the sports that were completed this fall and the sports that are being played this winter.

The original renewal memo from June 11 can be found on our website at <https://www.ohsaa.org/Officiating/Emails-to-Officials>. In addition to the information in that memo, we would like all officials to be aware of the following guidance.

- Electronic whistles – permitted
- Face coverings by officials - permitted but not required **at this time**
- Policing of non-playing rule procedures is not the responsibility of game officials
- If any changes to specific pre and post-game procedures are made that will involve officials, those changes will be emailed directly to each sport's official if/when those decisions are finalized

We wish you a happy and healthy holiday season!