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TO: All Track & Field / Cross Country Officials

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RE: December Officials Update

38th Annual OT&F&CCOA Officials Clinic

The 38th Annual OT&F&CCOA Officials Clinic will be held January 20 & 21 at the Nationwide Hotel & Conference Center in Lewis Center (just north of Columbus/Worthington). Please see below for some important information related to the clinic:

- **NEW Location:** Nationwide Hotel & Conference Center.
- Registration forms need to be mailed by **January 6, 2023**.
- The Awards Dinner will be held on the evening of **January 20**.
- Those who attend the clinic will receive **one local meeting credit**.
- The state rules interpretation will be held on **January 21**; it will be the **ONLY** in-person track and field state rules interpretation for officials. You **must** be registered for the clinic to attend the state rules interpretation meeting.
- The **NEW Track & Field Assignment & Rotation Policy** will be announced at the clinic.
- **Purchase Officials, MF Athletic, Respect the Ref & Honig's** will be vendors this year, pre-order information for each of them will be sent out in early January.
- Anyone who would like to donate door prizes, please contact Dennis Sabo at densabo@gmail.com
- **NEW** this year, there will be a **starter shell raffle** in addition to the 50/50. Those who purchase tickets will have two chances to win 5 boxes of 32cal starter shells that have been donated by your generous fellow officials. Proceeds from both will go to the **Fred Dafler & Rick Haddix Scholarship Fund**.
- **Gill Athletics** is a new supporter of the clinic providing some very nice door prizes for officials who attend. **Referee Magazine** is also a new provider of door prizes.
- All clinic attendees will receive a coupon code for \$10 off a membership to the **National Association of Sports Officials (NASO)**.
- **No starter shells** will be sold by the OHSAA at the clinic this winter.
- More information, including registration & hotel information has been mailed to all officials; it can also be found [HERE](#).

OT&F&CCOA Officer Election

- The OT&F&CCOA will be holding elections for one executive committee position and a president-elect at their clinic this January. If you are interested in running for one of these roles or want more information, please reach out to Dennis Sabo at densabo@gmail.com. No nominations will be taken from the floor at the clinic.

Cross Country Tournament Assignment Selection Policy

The full policy is posted [HERE](#). I encourage you to take a few minutes to view a video detailing the new policy by clicking [HERE](#). **If you have any questions, please reach out.**

Officials Handbook

Each year the OHSAA makes adjustments to the Officials Handbook. This handbook is the go-to for non-competitive officiating questions. It can be found by clicking [HERE](#) and then clicking on "Officials Handbook". Please view the uniform and tournament pay changes at the link above. If you have any questions, please reach out.

Important Dates

Permit Renewal

- Without a late fee | December 31, 2022
- With a \$50 late fee | January 31, 2023

Tournament Questionnaire

- January 15 – January 31
 - o You cannot work a tournament if you do not complete this!

Online State Rules Meeting

- *The only in person State Rules Meeting will be at the OT&F&CCOA Clinic in January
- February 9 – March 25 | Without late fee
- March 26 – April 24 | With \$50 late fee

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