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Track and Field State Administrators,

Over the past year, the NFHS office has received numerous inquiries about the insurance coverage for track and field officials for interscholastic events, especially in states that do not register/license their track and field officials. During this time, we have received conflicting information about coverage, and we have recently received a clarification from the USATF legal counsel regarding what their insurance covers for USATF licensed officials working non-USATF sanctioned events (i.e., high school meets).

USATF licensed officials are covered for *liability only* when working non-USATF sanctioned track and field meets. Their medical coverage does **not** extend to non-USATF sanctioned meets, so if an official is injured at an interscholastic meet, for example, and their only insurance is through USATF, they would not be covered.

Track and field officials in your state who are not registered/licensed with your state association have the option of joining the NFHS Officials Association as a group or as individuals to receive coverage under the NFHS insurance policy – which includes both liability and medical coverage. For information about membership options, please see the attached document, and contact me with any questions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or NFHS Director of Officiating Services, Dana Pappas (dpappas@nfhs.org) if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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