



## 2002 Officials Classification Procedure

A. There shall be six (6) classifications of members in the football group: RT, B-1, B-2, A-1, A-2, A-3 & A-4. These classifications represent both progression and achievement by members of the SICOA association.

B. The promotional scale shall be a 100-point scale comprised of the following criteria:

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| FHSAA Rules Examination  | 40 Points maximum  |
| Years of Experience      | 25 Points Maximum  |
| Number of Games Worked   | 18 Points Maximum  |
| SICOA Meeting Attendance | 20 Points Maximum  |
| SICOA Training Classes   | 07 Points Maximum  |
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| TOTAL                    | 100 Points Maximum |

1. A maximum of 40 points may be earned by a member's score on the FHSAA Rules Examination.

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| Score below 70 | 0 points     |
| 71-74          | 20-24 points |
| 75-79          | 25-29 points |
| 80-84          | 30-34 points |
| 85-89          | 35-39 points |
| 90-100         | 40 points    |

2. A maximum of 25 years may be earned by a member's years of experience. One point shall be earned for each year of experience that is recognized by SICOA.

3. A maximum of 18 points may be earned by working games assigned by the association. One point shall be earned for every assignment accepted and worked. Example: a set of youth games on a Saturday shall count as one (1) point. A single varsity or junior varsity contest shall count as one (1) point.

4. A maximum of twenty (20) points may be earned by attending regular meetings of this association. Two (2) points shall be earned for each regular meeting attended for which attendance is credited. When the number of regularly scheduled meetings is less than ten (10), two points shall be earned for each meeting attended or credited. But, 20 points shall automatically be earned for perfect attendance.

5. A member shall earn 7 points for successfully attending and completing the SICOA Training Classes. This scale and its criteria shall apply to all members of this association.

C. Categories:

1. Registered Trainees (RT) shall consist of those officials who are new to SICOA, and/or have no Previous experience or have been demoted from a previous classification. RT officials shall have attended at least one SICOA sponsored training class and successfully completed it in order for advancement.

2. B-1 officials shall consist of those officials who have at least one (1) year membership in SICOA Or have been demoted from a previous classification. B-1 officials shall have attended at least one SICOA sponsored training class and successfully completed it in order for advancement.

3. The B-2 group officials shall:
  - A. Have been a member of the B-1 group for at least one (1) full year
  - B. Score at least 75 on Part 2 of the FHSAA Football Examination for each year in which the B-1 rating is to be in effect.
  - C. Have attended at least five (5) regularly scheduled meetings of SICOA during the previous registration year.
  - D. Receive a satisfactory rating from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations during the most recent year in the B-1 group and continue to receive a satisfactory rating from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations for each year that the B-2 rating is to be in effect.
  - E. Fifty (50) points accumulated on the promotional scale
  
4. The A-1 group officials shall:
  - A. Have been a member of the B-group for at least two (2) years prior to becoming a member of the A group.
  - B. Score at least 75 on Part 2 of the FHSAA Football Examination for each year in which the A-1 rating is to be in effect.
  - C. Have attended at least six (6) regularly scheduled meetings of SICOA during the previous registration year.
  - D. Receive a satisfactory rating from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations during the most recent year in the B-2 group and continue to receive a satisfactory rating from the Evaluation Committee for each year the A-1 rating is to be in effect.
  - E. Fifty five (55) points on the promotional scale
  
5. The A-2 group officials shall:
  - A. Have been a member of the A-1 group for at least one (1) full year.
  - B. Score at least 80 on Part 2 of the FHSAA Football Examination for each year the A-2 rating is to be in effect.
  - C. Have attended at least six (6) regularly scheduled meetings of SICOA during the previous registration year.
  - D. Receive a good rating from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations during the most recent year in the A-1 group and continue to receive good ratings from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations for each year the A-2 rating is to be in effect.
  - E. Sixty (60) points on the promotional scale
  
6. The A-3 group officials shall:
  - A. Have been a member of the A-2 group for at least one (1) full year.
  - B. Score at least 85 on Part 2 of the FHSAA Football Examination for each year the A-3 rating is to be in effect.
  - C. Have attended at least seven (7) regularly scheduled meetings of SICOA during the previous registration year.
  - D. Receive a good rating from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations during the most recent year in the A-2 group and continue to receive good ratings from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations for each year the A-3 rating is in effect.
  - E. Seventy (70) points on the promotional scale
  
7. The A-4 group officials shall:
  - A. Have been a member of the A-3 group for at least one (1) full year, and have had at least six Year's experience as an A-group official prior to becoming an A-4 official.
  - B. Score a minimum of 90 on Part 2 of the FHSAA Football Examination for each year in which The A-4 rating is to be in effect.
  - C. Have attended at least seven (7) regularly scheduled meetings of SICOA during the previous Registration year.
  - D. Receive a good rating from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations during the most Recent year in the A-3 group and continue to receive good ratings from the Evaluation Committee on official evaluations for each year the A-4 rating is in effect.
  - E. Eighty (80) points on the promotional scale.

*Exception: The Executive Board, or a shortage of officials in a higher classification may waive requirements of this classification system by virtue of promotion*

8. Transfer Officials

Officials that join SICOA with previous experience from another association, must provide the following:

- A. Completed SICOA Membership Application & Fee
- B. Letter From Previous Association Officer Verifying Experience & Number Of Years Service
- C. Letter From Previous State Association Verifying Number Of Years Membership

Transfer officials will be assigned to a group as follows: **B-Unclassified / A-Unclassified** until The official is observed and evaluated by the Evaluation Committee. The Executive Board will Then assign a permanent classification based on the above criteria.

9. Referee Trainee's:

Officials may take the referee training course in order to be considered for the position of referee within SICOA. To be considered for a crew chief in youth contest's, the official must.

- A. Attend and successfully complete at least one (1) SICOA Referee Training program.
- B. Have a minimum of five (5) year's experience as a football official.
- C. Be recommended by both the SICOA Training Director and the SICOA Evaluation Committee.

Officials that wish to become referee trainees in the varsity group must:

- A. Attend and successfully complete at least one (1) SICOA Referee Training program.
- B. Have a minimum of seven (7) year's experience as a varsity football official.
- C. Be recommended by both the SICOA Training Director and the SICOA Evaluation Committee.
- D. Hold a minimum classification of A-2 during the season prior to becoming a referee trainee, and hold a minimum classification of A-2 each season in which the referee position is worked.

10. Leave of Absence

Officials may request a "Leave of Absence" from the association at anytime. Granting an official a leave of absence allows the official an opportunity to not participate or be involved in SICOA activities without penalty or risk of classification change for a period not to exceed two (2) consecutive football seasons. The official must complete a SICOA registration form, and pay all membership fees. Granting a leave of absence from this association does not reflect on rules and policies that may be in effect from the Florida High School Activities Association.