

Subject: Maine Officials Uniform & Jacket requirements for 2020-2021 Season

Good Morning,

I hope this e-mail finds you well. Despite the pandemic we are currently experiencing, Boards leaders continue to be optimistic and make plans for the upcoming basketball season. Board leaders from all 5 Boards met March 15 at the annual meeting of the Maine Basketball Council to discuss various issues that impact officials here in Maine.

The Council has made a decision on the uniforms and jackets Maine officials will be required to wear next season as follows:

Regular Season:

Uniforms: The default uniform will be a Black and White uniform with 1 inch stripes with a flag placed on the back just below neckline with gold trim. (A link to this shirt is provided below) Gray uniforms may still be used if all members of a crew agree. Otherwise, Black and White uniforms shall be used.

Jackets: The jacket will continue to be optional for crews beginning in pre-season through the end of the regular season. The Jackets should only be worn if all members of a crew have them available.

MPA Tournament:

Uniforms: Black and White uniforms will be the required uniform. Gray Uniforms will not be an option for post-season assignments, including the preliminary games and AA quarterfinal games played at host sites.

Jackets: Will be required for all post-season assignments including preliminary games and AA quarterfinal games played at host sites.

New Supplier:

Just this week, IAABO announced our new supplier for the State of Maine is a company called Blow Your Whistles based out of Connecticut.

The web address is as follows: <https://www.blowyourwhistles.com>

Our contact is Steve Zazuri at szazuri@blowyourwhistles.com or 203-261-3128 if you need assistance with an order.

Links to Shirts/Jackets:

Shirt: <https://www.blowyourwhistles.com/collections/shirts/products/iaabo-logo-1-black-and-white-stripe-basketball-shirt-1?variant=41015479688>

Jacket: <https://www.blowyourwhistles.com/collections/iaabo-shirts/products/iaabo-black-officials-jacket>

On behalf of the Maine Basketball Council, I hope this information is helpful and provides you enough time to get the necessary equipment you will need for the upcoming season.

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