



Welcome to the EFOA (Evergreen Football Officials Association). Below is a short list of things you need to know as a new official to help get you started.

What you'll need

Training (you can get the following books from the Assignor)

- Rule Book
- Case Book
- Mechanics Book

Clothes

- Black shoes
- Black socks
- Black coach's shorts (jean or athletic shorts are NOT allowed)
- Black pants with white stripe
- Black 2" leather belt
- Short and/or long sleeve football official's shirt with 1" stripes (will have a black collar)
 - American flag patch (white border or yellow border for those who have served)
 - WOA patch (can be purchased from the EFOA secretary)
- Black hat with white piping
- Optional: Short and long sleeve Varsity shirts from [Sound Athletics](#) or [Gerry Davis](#)

Gear

- Fox 40 whistle (or similar non-pea whistle) with lanyard
- Down counter (elastic wrist band)
- Down marker clip (for chains)
- Yellow penalty flag
- Bean bag (white or blue). *Note: Varsity officials must have both.*
- Optional: watch with timer
- Pocket Sized Note Card and Pencil

Where to get it

- Gear can be borrowed from the EFOA through our loaner program run by [Kevin Kunkel](#)
- Gear can be purchased on many websites. Check under "Where to Buy" here:
 - [EFOA - Where to Buy](#)

Websites you need to know

- EFOA <http://www.foaonline.org>
- From the EFOA website above click Current Members > Links & Resources

Things to do as a new official

- Get the phone numbers from folks on the training committee that you can contact to ask questions. We are here to help. We want you to be successful!
- Participate in as many pre-season scrimmages/jamborees as possible
- Every Friday night, pick a game to attend. Call the white hat (referee) and ask to be included in the pre-game email.