



**Referee Newsletter: July 24, 2014**

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### **Varsity Schedule and Availability**

Varsity Availability is now posted on the CWPA website. Go to Officiating/Forms and Resources/Availability:

<http://collegiatewaterpolo.org/officiating/forms/Availability2>

**Note:** There is a special confirmation box at the end of the Availability Form (Bottom Right-Red Box) where a specially generated code needs to be typed in before clicking the submit button. After successfully submitting the form you will receive confirmation and a list of assignments requested.

Please keep in mind that the CWPA Club schedule will not be available until August and will be posted separately. We wanted to get the varsity dates out ASAP so the decision was made to separate Varsity and Club. The Club schedules have traditionally been difficult to coordinate in a timely fashion because of facility availability and priority preferences at each college or university. Hopefully the CWPA Club availability will be posted in early August.

Remember, when signing up for varsity weekends you must be experienced and qualified for the assignment. Previous varsity experience is a good starter however, you can always contact me directly if in question. When assigning referees, site location, referee experience, budget and availability are all factors to be considered.

### **Mentoring Officials**

Senior officials may wish to consider making themselves available for CWPA Club weekends to mentor/evaluate young officials. This would involve observing games and taking time to have discussions with the referees regarding positioning, communications and situation evaluations. Games observed are reimbursed at the game rate and a report filed on each referee evaluated at the conclusion of the tournament. Any senior officials interested in taking advantage of this program please contact me.

### **CWPA Video Test**

The video test is required by all CWPA assigned referees and will be available in early August. The test will be similar to last years format. Last years video test is posted on Dartfish.tv with the answers and is available to the public (no sign-in required). Go to Dartfish.tv.com and Collegiate Water Polo Association, click on collections.

<http://www.dartfish.tv/ChannelCollections.aspx?CR=p7695>

### **NCAA Test**

The NCAA Test is also required and when it is available I will send out a notification. Go to the NCAA Water Polo website for updated information from Bob Corb, NCAA Coordinator of Officials.

<http://www.ncaa.org/championships/playing-rules/mens-and-womens-water-polo-rules-game>

There is information on rules, National Evaluators Group, and all conference call comments (all archived).

***I hope y'all are having an enjoyable and productive summer, the Men's fall season is just around the corner. Deadline for the Fall Availability Form is Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>.***