

TO: Athletic Directors and Soccer Coaches

**FROM: Kristine Palle, Assistant Commissioner
Mike Middlebrook, Assistant Commissioner**

DATE: November 11, 2018

RE: NFHS Rule 4, Section 1, Article 1.a (HOME & AWAY UNIFORMS)

As a reminder, starting with the 2018-2019 season **the visiting team shall wear solid white jerseys and solid white socks**, and the home team shall wear dark jerseys and socks.

If a team arrives to a game site equipped with the incorrect uniform color, the school wearing the incorrect uniform will have one of the following three options:

- A) They will immediately change uniforms to become compliant. This should not cause an unnecessary delay of the contest (10-minute maximum). **OR**
- B) The team wearing the incorrect uniform will be required to wear a practice “pinnie” style jersey over the incorrect jersey. **OR**
- C) If the offending team can’t make the necessary adjustment for the contest to be played and officiated safely, the offending team shall **forfeit**. This could occur when both teams are in a matching or similar color and the officials can’t safely differentiate between two opposing players to conduct the contest.

If the “pinnie” is not individually numbered the players original number will be used and recorded in the event of an ejection.

In addition, the officials will be required to report all uniform violations to the CIF Southern Section office which will lead to the loss of “home” playoff contest(s) for the 2018-2019 season.

Thank you in advance for your compliance with this issue. Good luck this season!

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