



## **GUIDELINES FOR SUCCESSFUL OFFICIATING**

- Pre-game preparation and communication
- Know your matchups (rivalries/potential problems on the floor)
- Know the rules
- Maintain good physical condition year-round
- Game management and control
- Be professional both on and off the court
- Trust your partner: Focus on your area of responsibility
- Extend to your secondary area of responsibility only when absolutely necessary
- Know the status of the timing devices and AP arrow
- Referee the defense AND the offense
- Maintain concentration and focus for the entire game
- Know what you see, don't guess
- Be sure to call the obvious
- Know the importance of the calls you make
- Hustle to be in the right position
- The purpose of a technical is to make the game better
- When problems occur, revert to the basics
- Work with your partner
- The game is not about you
- The players are working their hardest and giving their best. So should you.
- Know your limits and be honest with yourself about your abilities – if you are not physically able to referee a certain game/level, don't accept the assignment.