



## 2025-26 WIAA GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL UNIFORM/EQUIPMENT WAIVER

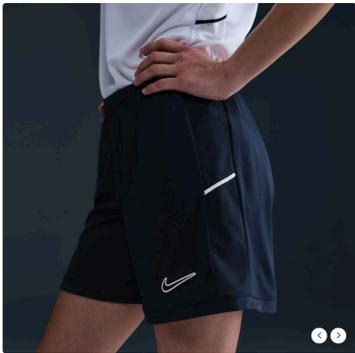
The WIAA is granting a **one-year waiver** through the 2025-26 season for implementation of NFHS Rules and WIAA Rules Exceptions pertaining to uniform shorts and flags used in Girls Flag Football. This waiver will be in effect only through the 2025-26 school year, and from 2026-27 and beyond, schools will be expected to be fully compliant with NFHS Rules and WIAA Rules Exceptions.

### UNIFORM SHORTS

NFHS Flag Football Rules state: *“The color of the pants, shorts or skirts shall be the same single solid color that clearly contrast with the color of the flag and flag belt.”*

WIAA Flag Football Exceptions state: *“Shorts/pants must be pocketless and must clearly contrast with the color of the flags. Shorts/pants must be a solid color (no stripes) to ensure visibility.”*

As a **one-year waiver**, shorts that are not the same single solid color are permitted, however shorts must still be pocketless.

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	<p><b>Not permitted</b>, not pocketless.</p>	<p><b>Not permitted</b>, not pocketless.</p>
	<p><b>Permitted</b> by rule.</p>	<p><b>Permitted</b> by rule.</p>

**FLAGS**

NFHS Flag Football Rules state: *“An unaltered flag belt of the same single solid color, with [two] flags of the same single solid color and a minimum flag dimension of 1 ½ inch by 14 inches”*

As a **one-year waiver**, flags that are not the same single solid color are permitted, however they must meet the width and length requirements, and the **primary color of the flag must be different from any color on the shorts.**

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