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Dear School Official,

The purpose of this letter and attachments is to inform you of NAERA's, NOCSAE's, and helmet manufacturers' who are NAERA members recommendations regarding reconditioning and recertification of football helmets. Please note there are also separate NOCSAE recertification standards for lacrosse, baseball and softball helmets.

NAERA believes that during the football season or any practice period, every football helmet should be cleaned and inspected regularly by a schools athletic staff member with equipment knowledge. We further believe every football helmet should be reconditioned and recertified annually or at least every two years, which is the minimum recommendation from most manufacturers. A company licensed by NOCSAE to recertify helmets can only perform the recertification of a football, lacrosse or baseball/softball helmet. For a list of NAERA members that are licensed by NOCSAE please visit our web site www.NAERA.net

Every state association playing under National Federation and NCAA rules has adopted the NOCSAE standard for football, lacrosse, and baseball helmets. NCAA rules mandate that helmets sent for reconditioning must be recertified; therefore, high schools playing under these rules fall under this mandate. Other state associations may have similar rules: however most support the helmet manufacturers recommendations and direct/suggest their schools adhere to these recommendations.

Please make certain your school district is using a reconditioner licensed by NOCSAE. Enclosed you will also find letters from NOCSAE and football helmet manufacturers who belong to NAERA concerning this subject. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ed Fisher
Executive Director

NAERA 10 policy - Effective September 1, 2011 NAERA members will not recondition/recertify any helmet 10 years of age or older.