



# NFHS BASKETBALL LEGAL UNIFORMS

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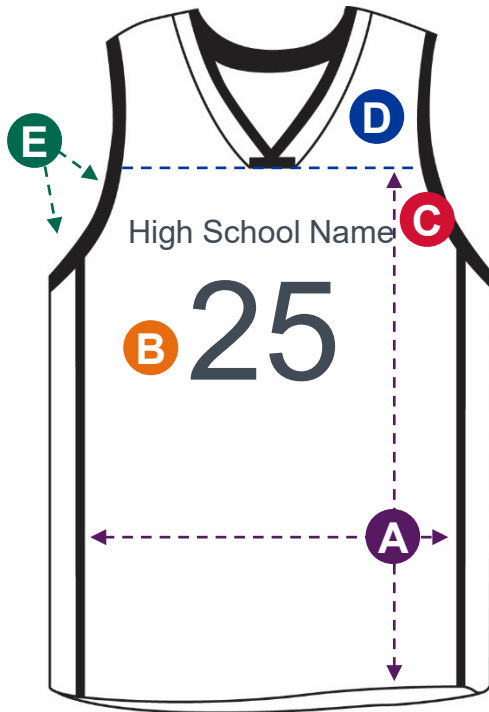
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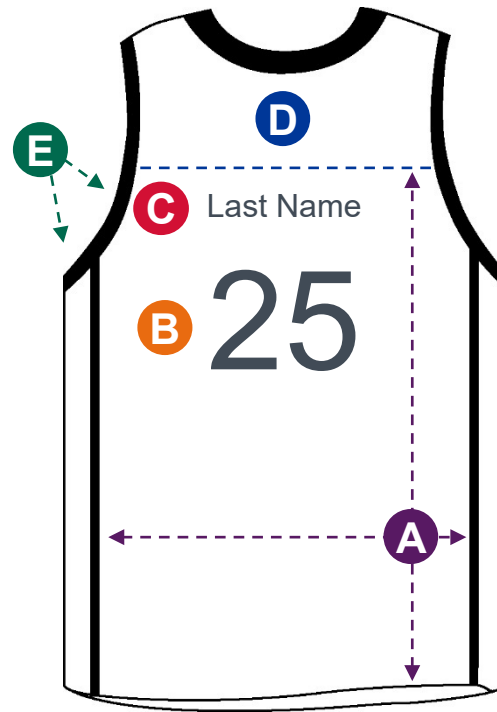
- Uniform jerseys must comply with all rules listed in 3-4, 3-5 and 3-6
- Uniform rules are concise and clear regarding what is, and what is not, permissible on the jersey
- Coaches and school administrators must ensure that legal uniforms are being ordered and purchased from manufacturers/distributors



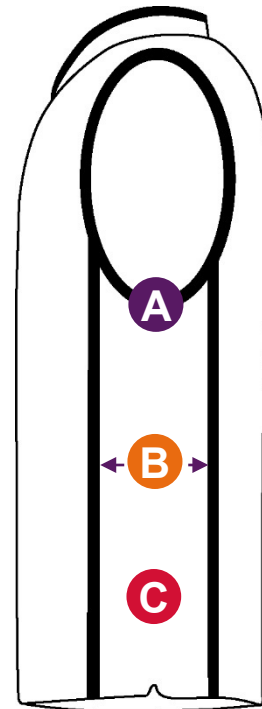
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Front View



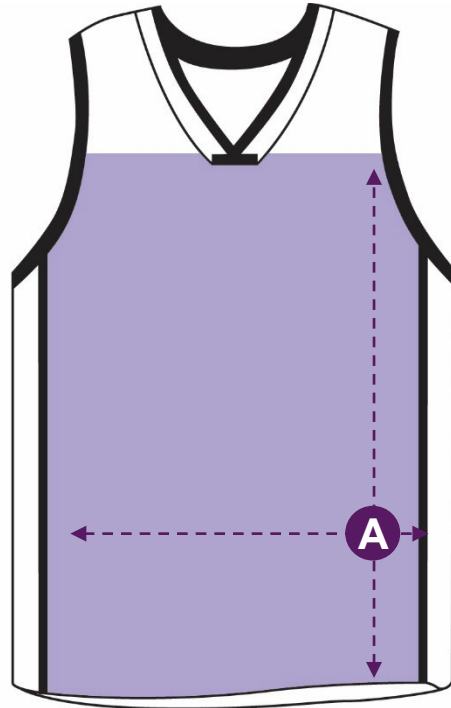
Back View



Side View



# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW

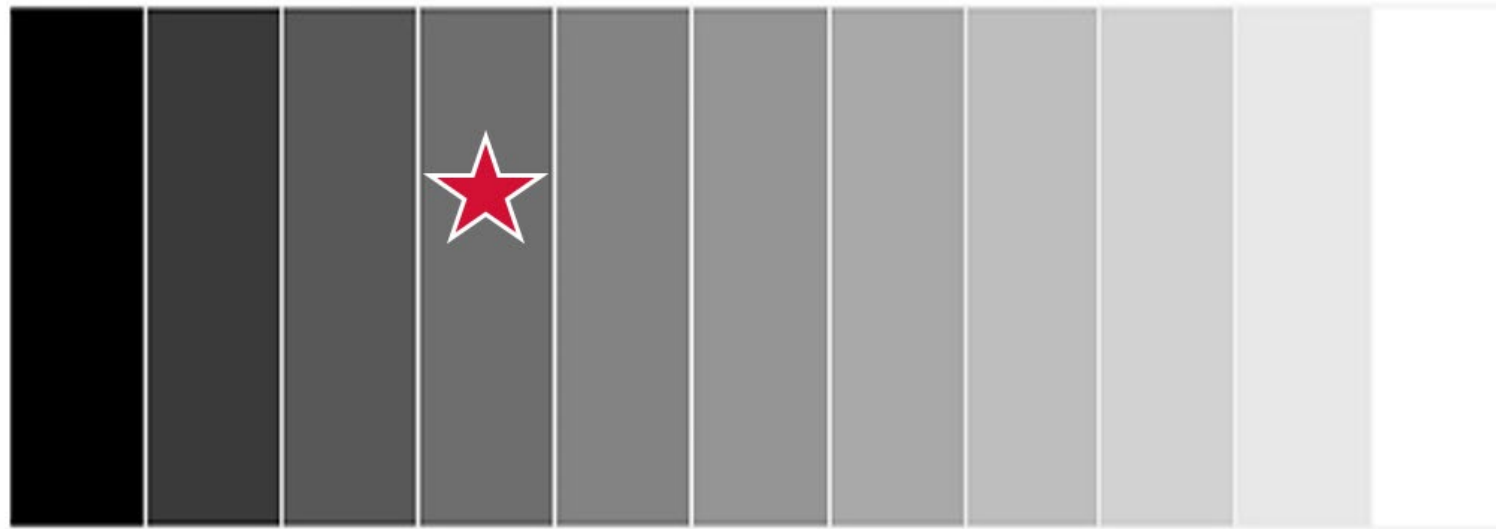


- A. JERSEY COLOR
  - The torso of the jersey must be a single solid color with no designs in the fabric (white for home and a dark color clearly contrasting white for visitor).
  - If gray is a color choice, it must be for the away jersey and must be closer to black at least by 70%.
  - Light colors (i.e., yellow or gold) that do not clearly contrast with white are not compliant away uniform colors.

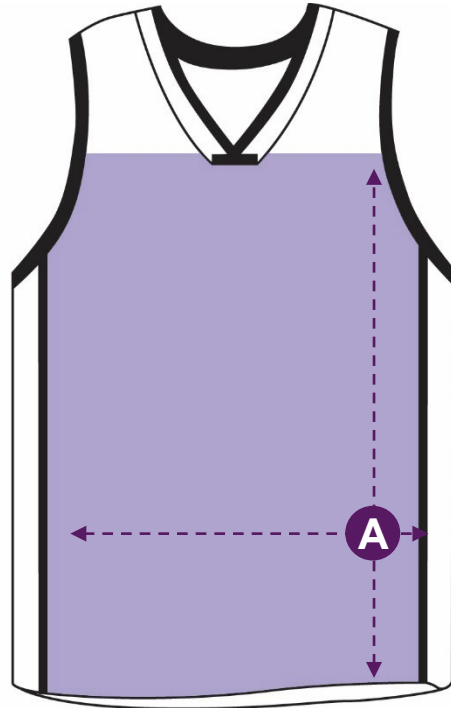
# HOME TEAM JERSEYS GRAY COLOR SPECTRUM CHART

- When gray is being used for an away jersey, it cannot go below 70% shading to be considered clearly contrasting from white.

100% 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0%



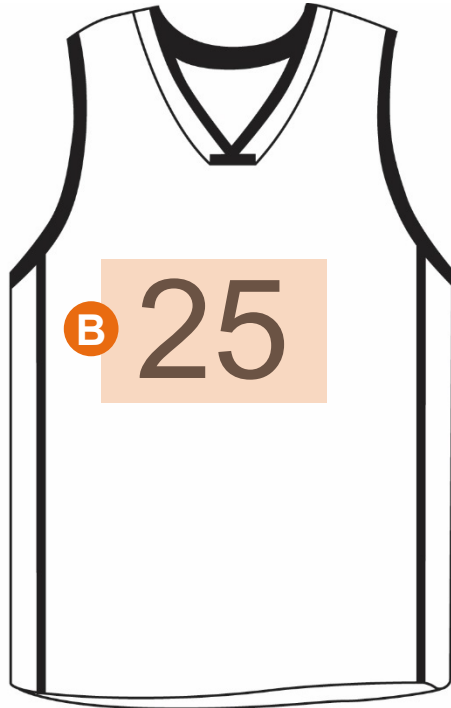
# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW



- A. JERSEY COLOR
  - The “torso” is the portion of the jersey from an imaginary horizontal line at the base of the neckline (see D.2. in another slide) extending to each armhole, down to the bottom hem of the jersey and from side seam to side seam.

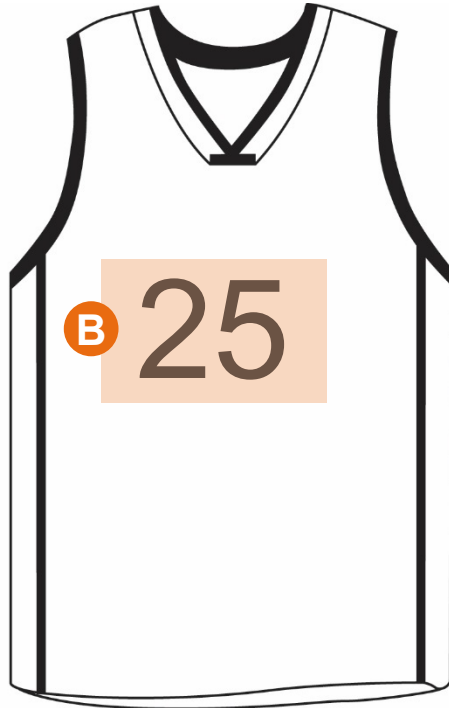
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## FRONT VIEW



- B. FRONT NUMBER
  - The number on the front shall be at least 4 inches high, not less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch wide (excluding the border) and centered vertically and horizontally on the visible part of the jersey.
  - Numbers shall be plain Arabic numerals and must be the same style and color as the number on the back of the jersey.

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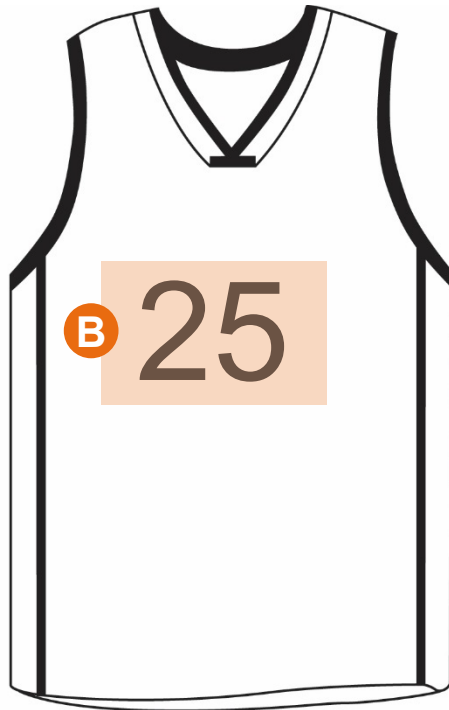


## ■ B. FRONT NUMBER

- Legal numbers are: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 00, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55.
  - A team member list shall not have both numbers 0 and 00.
- No more than three colors may be used on the number. The style must be clearly visible and conform to the provisions of NFHS Rule 3-4-3e.

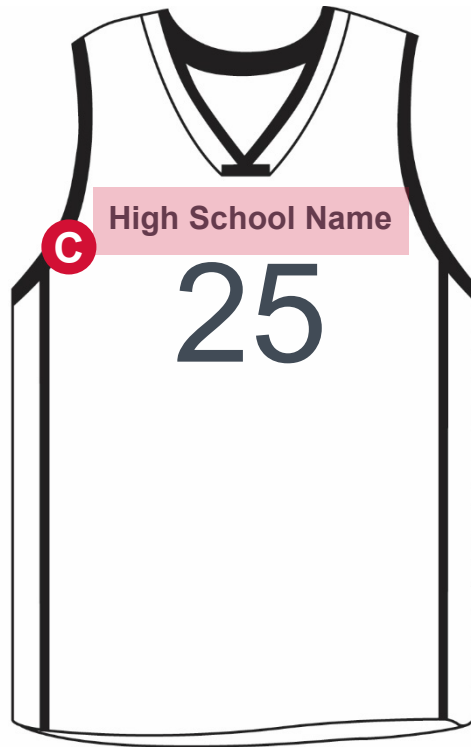


# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW



- A solid contrasting color with no more than two solid color  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch borders around the entire number. If a team color is used as a border, it must be counted as one of the allowed colors.
- A solid contrasting color with a “shadow” trim of a contrasting color on part of the number not to exceed  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch in width and may be used with one  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch border.
- **Effective in 2024-25**, the number design that allows for the number to be the same color as the jersey when bordered with no more than two  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch solid border(s) contrasting with the team jersey color **will be eliminated.**

# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW



## ■ C. IDENTIFYING NAME

- Lettering with school name, school's nickname, school logo name, player's name and/or abbreviation of the official school may be placed on the front of the jersey.
- Lettering must be placed horizontally and may be arched. Names may also be on multiple lines.

# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW



## ■ C. IDENTIFYING NAME

- The first and last letters, either above or below the number, must be on the same horizontal plane. When above the number, the plane may not be below a plane extending through the top of the number(s). When below the number, the plane may not be above a plane extending through the bottom of the number(s).
- Any point on any letter shall not be closer than one inch to any point on any number(s).

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## FRONT VIEW



- C. IDENTIFYING NAME
  - Any form of decorative accent (i.e., paw, halo, crown, star, etc.) in a name or abbreviation is only permitted above the number.
  - If a tail is used in the lettering of an identifying name or abbreviation, the name or abbreviation must be located below the number.

# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW



- The American Flag may be worn anywhere on the team jersey provided it does not exceed 2x3 inches and does not interfere with the visibility of the player's number.

# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW



- D. ABOVE THE NECKLINE
  - There are no design restrictions in the area of the jersey from an imaginary horizontal line at the base of the neckline extending to each armhole, up to the shoulder seam, except identifying names.
  - The imaginary line shall not extend beyond 1½ inches from the lowest point of the neckline apex/opening.

# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS

## FRONT VIEW



- D. ABOVE THE NECKLINE
  - Different colors and/or designs may be used in this area.
  - By state association adoption, a commemorative/memorial patch (not to exceed 4 square inches), if worn, must be in this area or in the side insert.
  - A school or conference logo/mascot may be located at the apex/opening of the neckline, in the corresponding area on the back of the jersey and/or in either side insert.

# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW



- D. ABOVE THE NECKLINE
  - 6. A single manufacturer's logo/trademark/reference (not to exceed  $2\frac{1}{4}$  square inches with no dimension more than  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches long) may be placed in this area no more than 5 inches below the shoulder seam on the front of the jersey; or 2 inches below the neckline on the back of the jersey; or in either side seam.



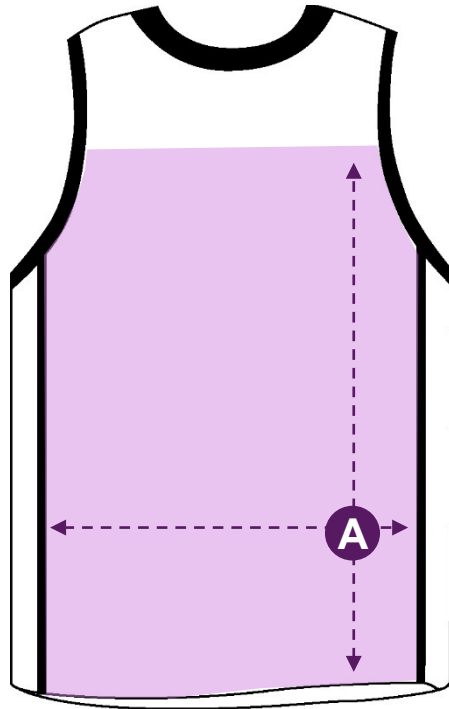
# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FRONT VIEW



- E. ARMHOLE TRIM
  - Trim, piping or an accent color differing from the torso shall not exceed 1 inch around the arm openings.
  - EXCEPT in the area above the neckline – where there are no color or design restrictions.

# BASKETBALL UNIFORMS

## BACK VIEW



- A. JERSEY COLOR
  - The back torso of the jersey must be the same single solid color as the front, no designs are allowed in the fabric.
  - The back “torso” is the portion of the jersey from the bottom of the back panel, if used, down to the bottom hem of the jersey and from side seam to side seam.

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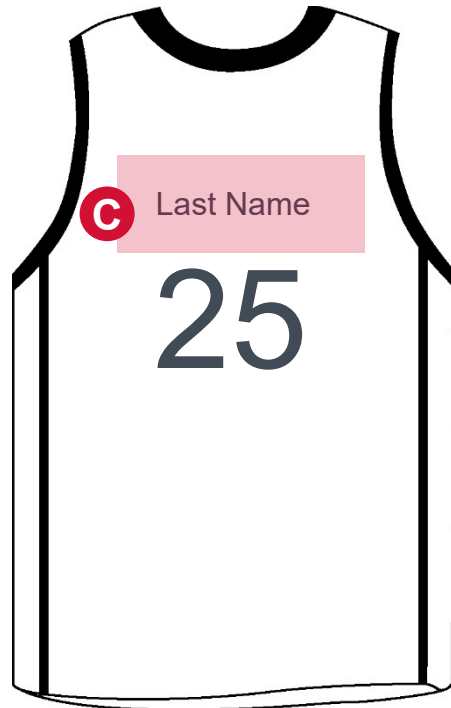
## BACK VIEW



- B. BACK NUMBER
  - The number on the back shall be at least 6 inches high, not less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch wide (excluding the border) and centered vertically and horizontally on the portion of the jersey that is intended to be visible.
  - The back numbers shall meet all the remaining specifications of the front number as previously noted (Front View, B.2-B.4).

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## BACK VIEW



- C. IDENTIFYING NAME
  - School name, school's nickname, school logo, player's name and/or abbreviation of the official school name may be placed horizontally on the back of the jersey.
  - Lettering on the back of the jersey shall meet all the specifications of the front lettering as previously noted (Front View, C.2-C.6).

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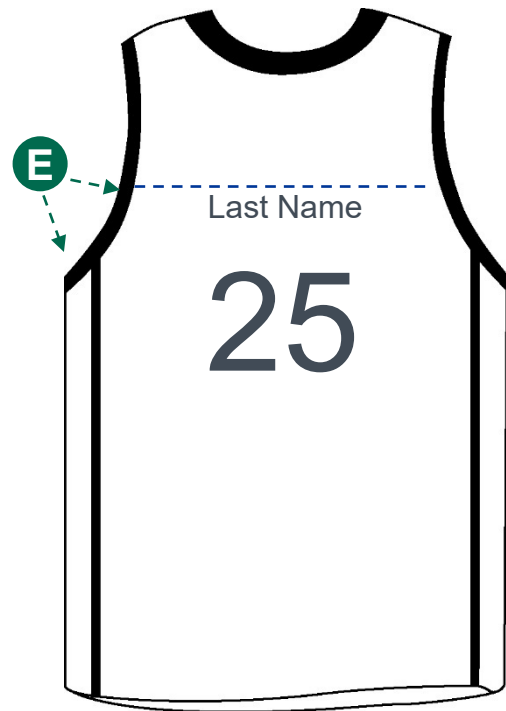
## BACK VIEW



- D. BACK PANEL
  - There are no color or design restrictions in the corresponding area – base of the neckline to the shoulder seam – on the back of the team jersey, except for identifying names.
  - A single manufacturer's logo/trademark/reference may be located 2 inches from the neckline on the back of the jersey; or in the shoulder area of the front of the jersey; or in either side seam. (Front View, D.6)

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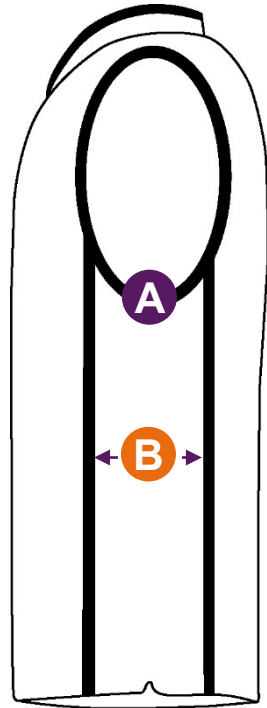
## BACK VIEW



- E. ARMHOLE TRIM
  - Trim shall not exceed 1 inch around the arm openings.
  - EXCEPT in the area above the neckline – where there are no color or design restrictions.

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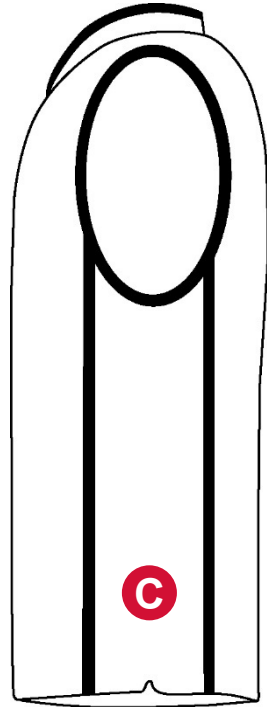
## SIDE VIEW



- A. LOCATION
  - Side inserts must be centered vertically below the armpit.
- B. WIDTH
  - Side inserts – including trim/piping/accent color(s) – must be a maximum of 4 inches (2 inches on each side of the seam).

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## SIDE VIEW

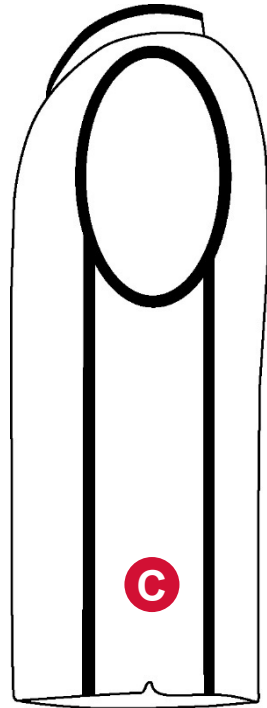


- C. STYLE/DESIGN
  - Side inserts may be of any color or design.
  - Side inserts must be the same width for all team jerseys.
  - By State Association adoption a commemorative/memorial patches (not to exceed 4 square inches), if worn, must be in this area or in the area above the neckline on the front or back of the jersey.



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## SIDE VIEW



- C. STYLE/DESIGN
  - A single manufacturer's logo/trademark/reference may be placed in the side seam area; or on the front of the jersey in the shoulder area; or on the back of the jersey in the upper back panel. (Front View, D.6)