

Game Ball Protocol

- Starting with the 2022 postseason, the Wilson GST is the official game ball of the IHSAA playoffs.
- Officials meet with home team coaching staff, recommend to meet with home team first
Home team identifies 3 game balls to be used
We are asking home management to somehow mark these footballs as game balls
 - Home1 for “game ball 1” Home2 for “game ball 2”
 - Or some type of marking system to establish them as game balls
- Officials meet with visiting team coaching staff
Visiting team identifies 3 game balls to be used
We are asking the visiting team to somehow mark these footballs as game balls
 - Visitor1 for "game ball 1” Visitor2 for "game ball 2”
 - Or some type of marking system to establish them as game balls
- Each team may continue to use their respective game balls until kickoff time
- Each team will be responsible for providing at least two ball boys for their respective “game balls”
- The game balls do not become community property and the game balls should be kept separate for each team.
- If the visiting team coaching staff does not provide Wilson GST footballs for the contest, the home team coaching staff identifies 3 game balls to be used
We are asking home management to somehow mark these footballs as game balls
 - GB1 for “game ball 1” GB2 for "game ball 2”
 - Or some type of marking system to establish them as game ballsAllow the home team to keep one of the footballs for use during the pre-game and then provide one game ball to the visiting team to use for pre-game
Keep the third football with you