Track Striping Questions and Answer Session

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How do you find a qualified track stripener?

• What is their experience?
• How did they learn?
• Are they licensed and insured?
• Can the stripener/crew pass a background check to work on a school facility?
Striping and Layout Equipment

• Differences between an air machine and airless machines?
• Difference between a Theodolite and Total Station?
• New technology coming?
Methods

• Paint one or two lines at a time?
• Survey in all marks or just starts?
• Event layout with steel tape?
• Benefits of using pins at all 4 PC’s?
• Calculations (purchase from outside source, use own program, calculate by hand?)
Line Paint

- Advantages/disadvantage of each
- Polyurethane
- Latex
- Oil based
Striping Plans

• Is a drawing required?
• Do all states run the same events?
• Is there a standard plan or drawing for each state?
• What’s involved in applying logos and lettering?
• How do you handle a drawing showing every event but you know that the state doesn’t run a particular event?
• What are certified calculations?
Installation

• Should an onsite meeting be set up prior to striping and who should attend?
• How do you handle the Coach or AD who wants additional striping done?
• When can paint be applied to a new track surface?
• Who is responsible for cleaning the track surface if it is soiled with mud/dirt before applying paint?
• Can the infield be used before the striper arrives and/or once he is onsite?
• What is the average time it takes to stripe a high school facility and collegiate facility?
Additional Questions

• Explain how the new 30M exchange zone rule will affect existing tracks
• Differences in striping a NFHS vs a NCAA facility
• Can a collegiate meet be run on a high school facility?
• How many times can a track be re-striped?
• Does a track need to be re-certified after a re-stripe if it was previously certified?
Thank you to our Speakers for participating in our panel.