

THIS FOOTBALL SEASON

This football season, remember that the players on the field are members of the NFL Players Association (NFLPA). The officials are members of the NFL Referee's Association (NFLRA) and most stadiums are unionized.

The leather for NFL footballs is made by members of UFCW Local 1546 at Horween Leather Co. in Chicago. And the footballs are then handcrafted from the leather by members of Workers United Local 1385 at the Wilson factory in Ada, Ohio.

Unionized television crews International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) bring the games into our homes. Many stadiums were built and are maintained by union members including: Boilermaker (IBB), Bricklayers (BAC), Carpenters (UBC), Elevator Constructors (IUEC), Ironworkers, Laborers (LIUNA), Operating Engineers (IUOE), Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT), Plumbers and Pipe Fitters (UA), International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers (SMART) and United Steelworkers (USW), and concessions workers are represented by UNITE HERE and others.

The performers who sing the National Anthem and entertain us during the half-time shows are often union too and include members of the Screen Actors Guild - American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA) and the American Federation of Musicians (AFM).

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