



Quiz #6 (Week #4) - 2013
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NFHS Rules

1. A, 4/9 @ B's 25 YL. A1 is legally hit as he throws a forward pass @ B's 35 YL. Ineligible A74 catches A1's pass @ B's 28 YL. The **R** and **U** throw a flag for illegal touching by A74. The **R** tells B's coach "you want to decline this and take the ball right? Is this the only option for B's HC? **Ruling: B, 1/10 @ B's 33 YL. Loose ball play. Enforce the 5 YD penalty from the spot of the foul, the B 28 YL. Illegal Touching also carries a loss of down, so it is B's ball. A Contending Crew will recognize the best option for B & enforce the penalty accordingly. We do not give the B HC options. Obviously, in this situation he wants option that gives his team the most yardages. However, the appropriate Wing must communicate with the A HC regarding this "challenging" penalty enforcement – why B will be awarded the ball with a first down. Rule: 7-5-13**
2. A, 3/6 @ A's 40 YL. A1's forward pass is caught by A2 who runs for a TD. **U** throws a flag at the LOS for ineligible A2 being illegally downfield (IDF). **R** signals the IDF and loss of down. **Ruling: Incorrect. There are only 4 fouls that are loss of down: Illegal forward handling, illegal forward pass, illegal touching, and intentional grounding. . Rule: 7-3-2, 7-5-3, 7-5-2, 7-5-2c and 7-5-13**
3. A1's throws a forward pass to eligible A2 who is in B's EZ. A2 sees eligible A3 standing in the EZ uncovered. A2 jumps and bats the pass to A3 who catches it for a TD. The **LJ** throws a flag for illegal batting. **Ruling: Incorrect. This is not illegal batting. This bat is legal and the result is a TD. Rule: 9-7-3**
4. A, 4/6 @ B's 45 YL. 4Q with 5 sec remaining and B leads by 4 pts. A1 runs 3 YDS beyond the LOS and throws a forward pass into B's EZ. A2 catches the pass in B's EZ. During the play the GC expires. The **U** drops a flag for illegal forward pass. B's HC accepts the penalty and the **R** signals the penalty, and then signals that there will be an untimed down. **Ruling: Incorrect. The down is not replayed and the game is over. Even though the penalty was accepted, this foul also includes a loss of down. Rule: 3-3-3a and 3-3-4b**
5. 4Q with 1 sec remaining on the GC. K1 free kicks the ball from K's 40 YL. K2 touches the ball at K's 48 YL. The GC operator starts the clock when K2 touches the ball and the clock expires. The **R** raises the ball indicating the game is over. **Ruling: Incorrect. The GC should not have started when K2 "first touched" the ball. K2 has committed first touching of a kicked ball. The GC never starts on first touching by a K player. Rule: 3-4-1a**
6. A, 4/10 @ A's 30 YL. K1 punts the ball and R1 blocks K2 in the back downfield during the kick. The **LM** throws a flag for the block in the back. R1 catches the ball and runs for 2 yards before he is hit and fumbles the ball. K4 recovers the fumble. The **R** signals the block in the back and announces this is a foul that has PSK enforcement. **Ruling: Incorrect. The last requirement for PSK penalty enforcement is that K cannot be next to put the ball in play. Rule: 2-16-2h (1 thru 5).**
7. A2 is running down the field. B1 who was blocked and fell is getting up off the ground with one foot, one knee and his left hand on the ground as he lunges forward to attempt to tackle A2. A2 hurdles B1 and runs for a TD. The **BJ** and **LJ** flag A2 for hurdling. **Ruling: Incorrect. Since B1 had a knee and a hand on the ground it's not hurdling. Rule: 2-22**

OHSAA Mechanics

8. Holding is called on A3. **R** asks B's HC for his choice. B's HC wants the penalty and **R** signals holding on A3. **Ruling: Incorrect mechanics by the R. R must give a preliminary signal before asking B what he wants. Then a final signal after B's HC has chosen his option. 5 YD DBF's have 1 preliminary signal only.** *Gold book: page. 17- #25-G.*
9. Joe is an **R**. He is Mic'd 6 out of 10 games. Joe does not give players numbers when he announces penalties as he believes it embarrasses the players who fouled. **Ruling: Incorrect mechanic by the R. The R must at least announce the penalty, player # who fouled, Offense or Defense, # of yds, and next down.** *Gold book: page 15- #21-D*

OHSAA Regulations

10. October is cancer awareness month. Bob (**R**) goes on-line and buys his crew pink whistles, pink flags and pink down indicators to wear for their games in October. His **BJ** refuses to wear any pink but the rest of the crew decides to wear the pink stuff. **Ruling: 2 things wrong here. First- only pink whistles are permitted to be worn and only in October during regular season games. Lastly, if pink whistles are worn the entire crew must wear them.** *Gold Book: Pg. 39 #3-M*

"The man who complains about the way the ball bounces is likely the one who dropped it."

Lou Holtz