



Your Call

2015

Quiz 3

1. First and 10 @ A's 40 YL. QB sets up to throw a pass. Defender B1 grabs and twists the QB's face-mask. QB breaks free from that face mask, runs a few yards and then throws a forward pass which is caught by A 80 at B's 40 YL. Do we have a roughing the passer penalty that would move the ball to B's 25 or would we have a 15 yard face mask foul from the previous spot? **Ruling: 15 yard face mask, not roughing the passer. By definition the passer is the player who throws a legal forward pass. He is the passer from the time the ball is released until the pass ends, or until he participates in the play. (2-32-11)**
2. A 85, in the end zone and near the end line, jumps high to catch a pass. A 85, after catching the pass, while in the air, is contacted by B 25 so that he comes down out of bounds. Had he not been contacted, he would have come down in the end-zone. **Ruling: The pass is incomplete as the receiver wasn't carried out.** The old "force out" was removed from the Rules Book several years ago. (2-4-1)
3. 2nd and 10 @ A's 30 YL. A1 takes the snap and throws a legal forward pass downfield where B1 intercepts. While the pass was in the air, A7 commits OPI on A's 44 YL. B1 returns the interception 15 yards then fumbles at A's 20 YL and A 8 recovers the ball at A's 15 YL. **Ruling: If B accepts the OPI it will be A's ball, 2nd and 25, @ the A 15 YL. . If B declines the OPI it will be A's 1st and 10 @ the A 15 YL. (5-3-d)**
4. After a down a B lineman (on the LOS) asks the U to watch an A lineman (on the LOS) that is blocking below the waist, in the free blocking zone, as the QB is in the shotgun position. The U tells the A lineman that he can't block below the waist from a 2 point stance since his QB is in the shotgun. **Ruling: Incorrect. The lineman can block below the waist if the block is immediately after and nearly simultaneous with the snap. (2-17-5) and 2015 Points of Emphasis. POI states this block is "nearly" impossible not impossible. Both linemen need to be on their respective LOS.**
5. Third and 10 @ B's 40 YL. A1 gains 10 yards and is downed on B's 30. A2 taunts B1 during the run. **RULING: Since the live ball action gave A a new series, the LTG shall be established after A is penalized for A2's unsportsmanlike act. It will be first and 10 for A from B's 45 YL. (5-1-2)**

6. After A1 scores a touchdown, he is struck by B1. The A HC then insults a game official before the penalty for the personal foul by B1 is administered. **RULING:** The penalties for both the dead ball personal foul by B1 and the unsportsmanlike foul by the A HC will cancel. If B1's act was judged by the game official to be fighting, he shall be ejected. (10-2-5b, c)
7. R1 is running near a sideline as he attempts to catch a free kick in flight. R1 has one foot on the sideline, when he reaches through the plane of the sideline. The ball bounces off his hands and lands out of bounds. **RULING:** Since R1 is out of bounds when the ball is touched, the kicker has caused the ball to be out of bounds. KT's foul will allow the RT to take the ball at the inbounds spot, take the ball 25 yards beyond the previous spot or accept the 5 yard penalty from the previous spot and have KT re-kick. (6-1-9-A,B,C)

Mechanics

8. How does the IP for the **Wings** differ in Reverse Mechanics (RM) from Goal Line Mechanics (GLM)?
Ruling: While in RM the **wings** IP is 10 yards outside the widest A player, never inside the numbers. In GLM the **wings** IP is 2 yards outside the sideline. (Gold Book P. 21 and 15)
9. Pre-snap: How should the **wings** use their feet to show A players where the LOS is? **Ruling:** Move back field (not downfield) foot forward to show an A player where the LOS is. Once A players are lined up, place your feet parallel, shoulder width apart so they can move quickly. (Gold Book P. 19 – 28K)

Regulations

10. On which YL would the offense normally start on after their opponent's safety in an 8th grade game?
Ruling: at the opponents 45 yard-line