



The Whistle

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NFHS Rules

1. A, after scoring a TD lines up for the Try in a muddle huddle formation. A, shifts into a scrimmage kick formation but as the offensive line completes the shift, all the players on the LOS have locked legs with one another. A/K set for 1 second, snap the ball and K11 kicks a successful try kick. The **R** flags the kicking team for illegal formation. **Ruling – correct. Players on each side of and next to the snapper may lock legs with the snapper but any other A lineman must have each foot outside the closest foot of the player next to him at the snap. (7-2-2)**
2. In the 1st period the **LJ** accidentally collides with a coach in the restricted area during a live ball while covering a play. The HT is penalized 15 YDS for illegal personal contact by a nonplayer. With 6:15 remaining in the 3rd the **LJ** had 2 more coaches in his way while covering a play without contact. The **R** penalized the HT 5 YDS for sideline interference and the **LJ** explained to the HT HC that the foul in the 1Q was mandatory due to the contact with the official but also took into account their sideline warning for the game. **Ruling – incorrect. The occurrences of the illegal personal contact foul and the restricted area violation are not combined for penalty enforcement purposes. These are separate penalties with their own separate progression of enforcement. (9-4-8, 9-8-1k, 9-8-3)**
3. With 1:35 left in the game, A leads 14-12. B1 commits a 5 YD face mask on A22 while making a score saving tackle in bounds. After the play A22 jumps up and taunts B1 and is flagged for UNS. After enforcement of both fouls in the order of occurrence, the **R** asks the A HC if he wants to start the GC on the snap which he indicated no. The B HC asked if he gets the same choice and he was instructed no because the foul committed against them was a dead ball foul and does not apply since the GC was already stopped. **Ruling – Incorrect. The fouls are administered separately and in order of occurrence. A is given the choice of starting the GC on the snap. If A declines to start the GC on the snap, B is then given the option of starting the GC on the snap. Based on the score B will likely make that choice. (3-4-7)**

4. Prior to the ready-for-play on a Try, A's captain requests the ball be placed on the left hash as they are going for 2 points. A, breaks the huddle in a formation which B was not prepared, being a close game B's HC calls TO. When coming back out on the field A's HC requests the ball be moved to the center of the field. The **R** had his **U** move the ball since B was the team who called the TO and not A. **Ruling – Incorrect. Prior to the ready-for-play A may designate the spot from which the ball is put in play between the hash marks for a Try, but once spotted, the ball may not be moved because of a second request unless a DB foul occurs or a foul occurs and the down is replayed. (4-3-6, 4-3-7)**
5. During a Try K1 is the place-kick holder and in place to receive the snap. The snap is a little high so K1 rises slightly to catch the snap, then returns to a knee to place the football on the tee. K1 realizes the timing with kicker K2 has been disrupted, so he rises and takes off running with the ball in an attempt for a 2 pt Try. The **Crew** implemented fake try mechanics and ruled on the play accordingly. **Ruling – Correct. The exception which allows the ball to remain live while the place-kick holder has control of ball with his knee on the ground also allows the holder to catch an errant snap and return to a knee with the ball remaining live and also allows him to then rise to advance with the ball still remaining alive. (4-2-2a exceptions 1 and 2)**
6. During a Try K1 is the place-kick holder and in place to receive the snap. K1 catches the snap and while placing the ball on the tee he loses control of the ball, he then rises slightly to regain control and returns to a knee to place the football on the tee. K1 realizes the timing with kicker K2 has been disrupted, so he rises and takes off running with the ball in an attempt for a 2 pt Try. The **Crew** implemented fake Try mechanics and ruled on the play accordingly. **Ruling – Incorrect. The exception which allows the ball to remain live while the place-kick holder has control of ball with his knee on the ground also does not allow the holder to rise and return to a knee with the ball remaining alive when he muffs or fumbles the snap. If the error is with the snap the holder retains the exceptions, if the error is with the holder after a good snap he loses the exceptions per the "note". The play should have been blown dead once his knee touched the ground after retrieving the muff. (4-2-2a exceptions 1, 2 and NOTE)**
7. With the score tied 21-21 and 15 seconds remaining in the game, K is punting from their own 12 YL. The punt is high and short, R22 runs under the kick to try to make a fair catch and is contacted by K52. The **BJ** throws a flag for kick-catch interference with the spot of the foul being K's 31 YL. The **R** explains the 3 options for kick-catch interference to RT's HC which the HC chooses, 15-yards from the spot of the foul but requested a TO to discuss with his coaching staff the possibility of choosing to free kick for points. The **Crew** marks off the penalty, set the chains then the **R** signaled TO for Team B. **Ruling – Correct. Decisions involving penalties shall be made before any charged TO is granted either team. The RT completed the penalty decision by choosing 1 of the 3 options but the decision to snap or free kick can be made after a requested TO. (6-5-4c, 6-5-6b, 10-1-1, CB play 4.3.7 pg. 39)**

OHSAA Mechanics

8. A is lined up for a Try kick. The kick is blocked and lands back on the 20 YL. Since the Try is ruled no good behind the neutral zone the **R** turns, faces the PB and signals "no good". **Ruling – Incorrect.** **The R does not signal the PB on any Try kick, good or no good, beyond or behind the LOS. (GB 35. TRYM, C1, pg. 25)**

9. A22 is tackled short of the LTG between the field numbers and the SL. The **LJ** winds the GC 2x to properly signal the PB the GC is to remain running. As the **BJ** approaches the DB spot to help, he mirrors the **LJ's** GC wind signal to the PB as well. **Ruling – Incorrect. The R mirrors the signal of the Wing officials after the FB becomes dead between the #'s and SL. (GB 32. SIM, T, pg. 23)**

OHSAA Regulations

10. A is tackled in their own EZ for a safety in a JV game which the coaches agreed no KO's prior to the start. The **Crew** got together and placed the ball at the +45 YL or 25 YDS from K's free kick line. **Ruling – Incorrect. With the addition of the new Sub Varsity Modified Kick Rules a change to the ball placement after a safety was also implemented. Spot the ball on the 50 YL after a safety, unless moved by a foul. (GB 21. Sub Varsity Modified Rules, B & C, pg. 37)**