

Upon Further Review

OHSAA Officiating Quiz Week Five 2022

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Rules

- 1. A 3/9 on B47YL A11 throws a deep pass that is intercepted by B37 at the B 3 YL. His momentum takes him into the EZ where he tries to escape before being downed. During the attempted runback, B54 blocks A83 in the back in the EZ. The officials enforce the foul from the B 3 YL. Ruling: Incorrect. B is in possession of the ball. The foul is by the team in possession and the spot of the foul is behind the basic spot, so the enforcement spot is the spot of the foul, the EZ, resulting in a safety.
- 2. A 2/12 on B42YL A67 is lined up at left tackle. DT B75 is lined up between the guard and the tackle. At the snap, A67 immediately drops low, takes two steps (crab like) toward B75 and contacts him below the waist. The U throws a flag for an illegal block below the waist. Ruling: Incorrect. As per the 2021 SRI meeting, if the blocker immediately commits to going low on a defensive player, he may execute that reach block even if they need a step or two to reach the player.
- 3. A 2/7 on A38YL B29 intercepts A's pass and begins a return. B59 commits a BSB at the 50YL. The returner is brought down on the A4 and a horse-collar foul in committed by A23. The officials offset the fouls and allow B to keep the ball at the A2. Ruling: Incorrect. According to Rule 10-2-2 If each team fouls during a down in which there is a change of possession and no PSK fouls, the team last in possession may retain the ball provided that they decline the penalty for its opponent foul (other than NP or UNS). Therefore, A's horse-collar is declined; B is penalized for the BSB and starts 1-10 on its own 35YL.
- 4. K Free Kick from the K40YL K's free kick lands at the RT 6YL and bounces high into the air. R25 is running toward his own end zone and catches the ball on the RT 2 YL. His momentum takes him into the EZ where he is tackled. The BJ invokes the momentum exception and awards R the ball first-and-ten at the B 2YL Ruling: Correct. Rule 8-5-2a states that momentum applies whether a player catches (in flight) or recover (grounded kick as per 2-36-1).
- 5. A 2/10 A39YL A24 runs 5 yards to the A44YL. The down box is mistakenly flipped to fourth down. A sends out its punt team when the CJ notices the error and changes the down back to third. A is allowed to bring its offense back on the field. Ruling: Correct. Per Rule 5-1-1b, the R may correct any error on a down prior to the ball becoming live after a new series of downs is awarded, or prior to the end of any period.

Mechanics

- 6. A 3/12 on A35 A87 attempts to catch a low pass 10 yards downfield and is contacted legally by B43 near the ground. The hit turns A87 away from the sideline as he goes to the ground to complete the catch. The LJ comes in to rule on the field, but hesitates to look at the U, who is coming toward the play. Ruling: Correct. On a play where you do not see the ball all the way through the play, you can look to another official who may have seen the ball before making a ruling.
- 7. A 4/G on B7 A 94 is lining up for a field goal. The CJ is lined up 5 YDS deeper than the holder and 10 YDS wide for the best view of action on the holder. Ruling: Incorrect. The new IP for the CJ on a FG is 8-10 yards deep and 5 yards wide This allows the CJ to have a better look at action on the snapper.

Regulations

- 8. Team A comes out for pregame warmup with a player wearing the #0 jersey. NEW Ruling: 1-5-1c(1) Numbers shall be clearly visible and legible using Arabic numbers 0-99 inclusive. The number 0 is a legal number and no action needs taken.
- 9. During an early offensive huddle, the CJ notices that the home team QB is covering the earholes of his helmet and is speaking to someone and upon asking, the CJ discovers that the QB is using a transmitter in his helmet to converse with his coaches. Ruling: Illegal. Rule 1-5-3c(2) The home team is given a 15-yard unsportsmanlike penalty (Rule 9-8-1e) GIVEN TO THE HEAD COACH. The player is removed from the game until he gets a new helmet