



The Whistle

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NFHS Rules

1. 1st and 10 from A's 32YL, QB A12 throws a pass downfield to A88 after taking a snap in the shotgun formation. During the down, RB A42 blocks B51 below the waist 4 yds behind the LOS. The crew enforced the penalty from the spot of the foul making it 1st and 24 from the 18YL. **Ruling – Incorrect, A foul by A behind the LOS and the play ends either behind or beyond the LOS, the basic spot for enforcement is now the previous spot. A's ball 1st and 20 from B's 22YL. (10-4-2d, e)**
2. 1st and 10 from A's 3YL, QB A12 throws a pass downfield to A88 after taking a snap in the shotgun formation in the EZ. During the down RB A42 blocks B51 below the waist 4 yds behind the LOS and in the EZ. The crew enforced the penalty from the previous spot making it 1st and 11 from B's 1YL. **Ruling – Incorrect, the basic spot is the previous spot unless 8-5-2c applies, A has an accepted foul from a spot in their EZ, the result of the play is a Safety, if the penalty is accepted. (10-4-2, 8-5-2c)**
3. 2nd and 6 from B's 31YL. QB A12 starts to scramble from the shotgun formation and runs for a 12 yd gain. During the run, RB A42 is flagged for holding 5 yards behind the LOS. The crew enforced the penalty from the previous spot making it 2nd and 16 from B's 41YL. **Ruling – Correct, the basic spot is the previous spot for a foul by A that occurs behind the LOS and the run ends beyond the LOS. (10-4-2e)**
4. 2nd and 16 from B's 31YL. QB A12 starts to scramble from the shotgun formation and is tackled by B67 5 yds behind the LOS. During the tackle B67 is flagged for a PF face mask foul. The crew enforced the penalty from the spot of the foul making it 2nd and 6 from B's 21 YL. **Ruling – Incorrect, the basic spot is the previous spot for a foul by B and the run ends behind the LOS. The correct option for A should had been 2nd and 1 from B's 16YL. (10-4-2g)**
5. 2nd and 13 from A's 14YL. QB A12 pitches the ball backward to RB A42. A42 sweeps right looking downfield to throw a halfback pass to A88. B63 is about to tackle A42 6 YDS behind the LOS (A 8) so A42 throws the ball OOB 8 YDS downfield with no eligible receiver in the area. The R flags A42 for intentional grounding, giving A the ball 3rd and 23 from A's 4YL. **Ruling – Correct, the basic spot is the spot of the foul for intentional grounding and the exception for intentional grounding has changed to only allow the player who receives the snap (maintains possession) to conserve yardage. Also, this is a loss of down foul which requires half the distance to the goal enforcement. (10-4-4c, 7-5-2d exception 2c)**

6. 3rd and 6 from A's 34YL. QB A12 pitches the ball backward to RB A22 who sweeps right gaining 12 yds. During the run WR A87 is flagged for holding at A's 40 YL. The crew enforced the penalty from the 40 YL making it 3rd and 10 from A's 30 YL. **Ruling – Correct, the basic spot is the spot of the foul for a foul by A that occurs beyond the LOS and the foul occurs behind the end of the run. (10-4-4f)**
7. 3rd and 6 from A's 34YL. QB A12 pitches the ball backward to RB A22 who sweeps right gaining 8 yds. During the run WR A87 is flagged for holding at A's 44 YL. The crew enforced the penalty from the A 42 YL making it 3rd and 10 from A's 32 YL. **Ruling – Correct, the basic spot is the succeeding spot for a foul by A that occurs beyond the LOS, the run ends beyond the LOS and the foul is in advance of the end of the run. (10-4-5g)**

OHSAA Mechanics

8. 3rd down and 3 from B's 6YL. At the snap, both the HL and LJ hustled to the GL as they were in a GLM situation. A32 was tackled in the middle of the field right at the 3 YL. Both had to work their way back for a spot and charged the field ½ yard apart from one another creating an appearance of uncertainty in a critical situation. **Ruling – Incorrect. Third and Fourth Mechanics (TFM) takes priority if GLM is being used. Both should have moved to the B 3YL at the snap. (#33 TFM, GB pg. 24)**
9. With 11 seconds left in the first half the HC for A told the officials that they were taking a knee. So as a result, the officials inform Team B they are taking a knee and everyone should demonstrate good sportsmanship. **Ruling – Incorrect, Victory Formation is only used at the end of a game when one team is ahead by 9 or more points and both teams agree not to use any time outs. A team can take a knee in other situations but the officials should tell the teams to "defend themselves" as the game is not out of reach for the other team. (#36 VFM, GB pg. 26)**

OHSAA Regulations

10. During a Saturday morning JV game, one team wanted to kick-off after they scored but the other team did not have a kicker and said they did not want to kick-off. So as a result, the crew allowed the one team to kick-off but placed the ball on the 35 YL for the other team. **Ruling – Incorrect, both HC's must give their mutual consent to have FK's. If one HC does not want to FK, there will be no FK's. (OHSAA FB Regulations, 21d, pg. 38)**