

Bubble Answer Sheet

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Key to the abbreviations that are in ALL TESTS

Team A or Team B is designated as **A or B**

The Kicking and Receiving teams are designated as **K and R**

Team A's and Team B's 45 yardline, for example, **A-45** and **B-45**

Player A or B's number is 40, for example, **A40** or **B40**

Second down and 6 yards to go for A at the B 23 yard-line is, for example, **A, 2/6, B-23**

1. It is unnecessary roughness for a player or non-player to make contact with an opponent, including a defenseless player, which is deemed unnecessary or excessive and which incites roughness.

- a. True
- b. False

2. Player A81 blocks B56 from the blindside at the B-45 while the runner A22 is at the B-20.

- a. Legal Block
- b. Legal block if it is in the front of B56
- c. Illegal block for unnecessary roughness

3. It is spearing if any player initiates contact against an opponent with the crown (top portion) of his helmet at the shoulders or below.

- a. True
- b. False

4. Targeting only involves contact to an opponent above the shoulders

- a. True
- b. False

5. Team K lines up for a kickoff with 6 players on the left side, K82 is the closest to the kicker, and 4 players on the right side with K42 closest to the kicker K16. Just prior to K16 making contact with the ball, K42 cuts in front of K-16 and kicks the ball so there are only 3 players to his right. The kick is caught at the R-23 by R35 and he is tackled at the R-30.

- a. R, 1/10 at R-30
- b. R, 1/10 at R-35
- c. K, re-kick from K-35 after a 5-yard penalty

6. Team K lines up for a kickoff with 7 players on the left side, K82 is the closest to the kicker and 3 players on the right side with K42 closest to the kicker K16. Just prior to K16 making contact with the ball, K82 cuts in front of K16 and kicks the ball while K16 is to his right. The kick is caught at the R-23 by R35 and he is tackled at the R-30.

- a. R, 1/10 at R-30
- b. R, 1/10 at R-35
- c. K, Re-kick from K-35 after a 5 yard penalty

7. A, 3/15 at A-34, A10 drops back to pass. Just after releasing the pass, B77 grasps A10's facemask in an attempt to make a tackle. He does not twist, turn or pull it. The pass is incomplete. Ruling: Roughing the passer.

- a. True
- b. False

8. A, 3/15 at A-34, A10 drops back to pass. Just after releasing the pass, B77 grasps A10's facemask in an attempt to make a tackle. He does not twist, turn or pull it. The pass is incomplete.

- a. A, 1/10 at A-49
- b. A, 3/10 at A-39
- c. If pass were complete, add 5 yards to end of run

9. A, 1/10 at B-15, A23 gains 3 yards. After the play, B76 uses profanity against A62, who then shoves B76.

- a. A, 2/16 at B-21
- b. A, 2/7 at B-12
- c. Offset
- d. Both b & c

10. A87 catches a pass near the sideline and is running for an apparent TD when B's Head Coach steps on the field and causes the HL to veer around him to cover the play. After scoring, A87 does a celebration dance. Ruling:

- a. A Try from B-3
- b. Offset
- c. Enforce on the Try or Kickoff
- d. Both a & b

11. A, 1/10 at the A-32. A gains 6 yards on the first play and 3 yards on the second play. The box indicates 4-1 at the A-41. A is stopped for no gain so B gets an apparent 1st down. The Coach from A calls for a conference with the Referee, it is then determined that they missed the 3rd down play.

- a. Ball belongs to B since they ball became alive before the error was found
- b. Make the correction, A, 4/1 at the A-41 because a new series of downs was not yet awarded
- c. Replay the down, A, 3/1 from A-41

12. Which of the following apply to the down indicator and yardage chain?

- a. The chain and down indicator will be operated outside and within 6 feet of the sideline
- b. The yardage chain and down indicator rods must have flat lower ends covered by a protective cap
- c. An unofficial auxiliary down indicator may be used on the sideline opposite the official down indicator
- d. All of the above are correct

13. A player shall wear:

- a. Shoulder pads, fully covered by a jersey
- b. Soft knee pads at least ½ inch thick or ¾ inch thick if made of an approved shock-absorbing material and worn over the knees and covered by the pants
- c. Hip pads
- d. All of the above are correct

14. Which of the following is considered as part of the authority of the Referee?

- a. Decisions are final in all matters pertaining to the game
- b. Has authority to rule promptly, and in the spirit of good sportsmanship, on any situation not specifically covered in the rules
- c. The Referee's decision to forfeit the game is final
- d. All of the above are correct

15. A shift is:

- a. One player of A moves off the line to a set position, which is not at least five yards behind the line
- b. The action of 2 or more offensive players, who after a huddle or after taking set positions, simultaneously change their positions before the ensuing snap
- c. Movement from the huddle to the line to get into a formation
- d. All of the above are correct

16. When may the neutral zone be expanded?

- a. Only during a Free-kick down
- b. May not be expanded at any time
- c. Following the snap, up to a maximum of two yards behind the defensive line-of-scrimmage in the field of play, during any scrimmage down
- d. Only when a forward pass crosses the line of scrimmage

17. The enforcement spot for an unsportsmanlike conduct foul is:
- The previous spot
 - The succeeding spot
 - The spot of the foul
 - None of the above
18. To make a legal catch, a player who catches the ball with his feet off the ground must have the ball
- In his control when he first returns to the ground inbounds with both feet
 - In his possession when he first returns to the ground inbounds
 - In his hands when he first returns to the ground inbounds
 - All of the above are correct
19. When the coin toss is held on the playing field within five minutes of the scheduled game starting time, all team personnel (except the two team captains) shall be.
- Outside the field of play
 - Restricted to the hash marks
 - Restricted to their respective team box areas
 - There are no restrictions
20. Game officials shall assume authority for contests 30 minutes prior to the scheduled game time, or as soon thereafter as they are able to be present, for the purpose of penalizing unsportsmanlike acts. Which of the following situations would not come under this authority?
- Players harassing opponents
 - Determining if game will start or be postponed
 - Determining which team gets which end of the field for pre-game warm-up
21. During the dead ball period between plays:
- Coaches must remain in their team box
 - Players may step into the restricted area
 - No more than three coaches may step into the restricted area
22. When a sideline warning is issued, it should be issued:
- During a timeout or other stoppage, such as the end of a quarter
 - At halftime
 - Prior to the next snap or kickoff
23. What is the penalty signal for an illegal forward pass?
- One arm behind the back moved up and down
 - A throwing motion with one hand
 - Both arms behind the back, hands overlapped
24. On 3rd down, a fumble by A10 is recovered by B15 after which he throws a backward pass which is intercepted by A25. A25 attempts a backward pass, which goes forward and is incomplete. What is the number of the next down and how many yards to gain?
- A, 1/10 after a 5-yard penalty for the illegal forward pass
 - A, 4/line to gain after a 5-yard penalty for the illegal forward pass
 - B, 1/10 where A25 threw the illegal forward pass
 - B, 1/10 where B15 threw the backward pass
25. A, 4/6, Runner A32 advances 3 yards. B45 commits a foul by piling on. Ruling:
- A, 1/10 after a 15-yard penalty
 - B, 1/25 after a 15-yard penalty
 - B, 1/10 after a 15-yard penalty
 - None of the above

26. A, 4/3 at B40, A11 throws a forward pass, which A76 muffs beyond the expanded neutral zone. A87 catches the ball and is tackled at the B-30.

- a. Fourth down for A after a 5-yard penalty
- b. First down for B at the spot where A76 touched the ball
- c. B, 1/10 after a 5-yard penalty against A from the previous spot
- d. A, 1/10 at B-30

27. A, 3/4 at B-5, B65 encroaches and the penalty is accepted.

- a. A, 1/Goal
- b. A, 3/1½
- c. A, 3/2
- d. None of the above

28. A, 2-Goal at B-8. K9 attempts a field goal. The kick is blocked and comes to rest at the R-12 with no player attempting to recover. After some time has elapsed and with deliberation, the Referee sounds his whistle to declare the ball dead.

Ruling:

- a. R, 1/10 at R-8
- b. K, 3/Goal at R-12
- c. R, 1/10 at R-12
- d. K, 3/Goal at R-8

29. A, 4/6 at A-44. A36 is in the grasp of B56 beyond the 50. He is pushed backward but is not downed and breaks loose. A-36 continues to run and is finally tackled at the A-49. Ruling:

- a. B, 1/10 at A-49
- b. A, 1/10 where A36 was in the grasp of B56
- c. A, 1/10 at the 50
- d. B, 1/10 where B56 had A36 in his grasp

30. A scrimmage kick by K42 is partially blocked in the expanded neutral zone by R72. The kick goes beyond R's scrimmage-line where R51 muffs it back across the neutral zone. K46 recovers behind the line and advances across R's goal line. Ruling:

- a. K's ball where K46 recovers
- b. Touchdown for K
- c. R's ball where K46 recovered
- d. None of the above

31. A, 4/7 from the A-46. R22 signals for a fair catch at R-20 but muffs. K88 intercepts the muff and advances across R's goal line. Ruling:

- a. Touchdown for K
- b. Touchback
- c. K's ball where K88 gained possession
- d. R's ball where K88 gained possession

32. K's kickoff from K-40 travels to the K48, where it is recovered by K32. Ruling:

- a. Replay with a free kick from the K-35
- b. R, 1/10 at the K-48
- c. R, 1/10 at the K-40
- d. R, 1/10 at the K-43 after a 5-yard penalty

33. The ball may be put in play anywhere between the inbound lines:

- a. After a fair-catch
- b. Attempting a Try-for-point or points
- c. After a touchback
- d. All of the above

34. R22 signals for a fair catch and catches the kick at K40. The captain of R decides to put the ball in play by a snap. Following the snap, there is a foul by B. Ruling; Following the administration of the penalty. Team A:

- a. Must put the ball in play by a snap
- b. Cannot attempt a field goal or free-kick
- c. May snap or free-kick the ball and attempt a field goal
- d. All of the above are correct

35. Which statement is correct about the fair catch and the fair catch signaler?

- a. If any receiver makes a valid fair catch signal and he catches the kick beyond K's line between the goal lines, it is a fair catch and the ball becomes dead
- b. Only the receiver who makes the valid signal is afforded protection
- c. When a fair catch is made, the captain may choose to free kick or snap anywhere between the inbounds lines on the yard line through the spot of the catch
- d. All of the above are correct

36. A, 3/10 at K-10. K9's punt is blocked by R32 behind the line and the ball goes out-of-bounds at the K-5. Ruling:

- a. K's ball, 4/15 at K-5
- b. K's ball, 1/10 at K-5
- c. R's ball, 1/Goal at K-5
- d. None of the above

37. A Punt, which is in flight beyond the line, is caught by K34. No R player is within 15 yards of K34 when he caught the ball. Ruling:

- a. K may be penalized 15 yards from the previous spot
- b. R will put the ball in play at the spot of the catch
- c. R may elect a fair catch at the spot of K34's touching
- d. All of the above are correct

38. When any free kick or scrimmage kick is in flight in or beyond the neutral zone to the receiver's goal line, K shall not touch the ball or R unless blocked into the ball or R, or to ward off a blocker or obstruct R's path to the ball.

- a. True
- b. False

39. R22 signals for a fair catch while a scrimmage kick is in flight. Because R33 recovers the kick, R33 may advance.

- a. True
- b. False

40. When the ball is snapped, A must have:

- a. At least 5 players on the scrimmage line numbered 50 thru 79
- b. If fewer than 5 numbered 50 thru 79, A must be in a kicking formation
- c. At least 7 players on the line of scrimmage at the snap
- d. All of the above are correct

41. A, 3/5 at A-26, end A88 blocks B27 in the neutral zone and then goes downfield and catches a forward pass at the A-49 where he is tackled.

- a. Offensive pass interference, A, 3/18 at the A-13
- b. A, 1/10 at the A-49
- c. B, 1/10 at the A-26
- d. A, 4/5 at the A-26

42. A false start includes:

- a. Any act by A that is clearly intended to cause B to encroach
- b. A shift or feigned charge that simulates action at the snap
- c. Movement of the hand of an interior lineman after it had been on or near the ground
- d. All of the above are correct

43. Team A is lined up and set for 1 second with the interior linemen set with hands on their knees. On the QB's signal, the linemen drop to a 3 point stance with the flanker, A22 going in motion. A22 stays in motion at the snap. Ruling:
- Legal because all players were set prior to A22's motion
 - Illegal shift
 - Illegal motion
 - Legal if A22 was 5 yards behind the line of scrimmage at the snap
44. Guard A66 catches a forward pass behind the neutral zone and advances. Ruling:
- Legal advance
 - Penalize A 5 yards from the previous spot
 - Penalize A 5 yards and loss of down from spot of the catch
 - Penalize A 15 yards from the previous spot
45. The penalty for illegally handing the ball forward during a scrimmage down is:
- A 5 yard penalty
 - A 15 yard penalty
 - A 5 yard penalty and loss of down
 - A 15 yard penalty and loss of down
46. After A is set, a man in motion at the snap is legal when:
- Only one player is in motion
 - The player in motion is not going forward
 - The player is at least 5 yards behind the line if he started from any position not clearly in the backfield
 - All of the above are correct
47. The penalty for an ineligible receiver downfield is:
- A 15 yard penalty
 - A 5 yard penalty and loss of down
 - A 5 yard penalty
 - A 10 yard penalty and loss of down
48. During a pass play thrown to A87, B28 turns his back to the ball, directs his attention to A87 and waves his arms in front of A87's face. Ruling:
- Legal
 - Defensive pass interference only if B28 touches A87
 - Defensive pass interference by B28
 - None of the above
49. After a touchdown, A chooses to attempt the try from the center of the field. During the try B72 commits an unnecessary roughness foul. Team A may:
- Accept the point(s) if successful and choose to enforce the penalty on the kickoff
 - Accept the point(s) if successful and choose to enforce the penalty from the succeeding spot
 - Accept the penalty and replay the try following enforcement
 - All of the above are correct
50. After a safety, the team whose goal is involved shall put the ball in play by a:
- Free kick from his 20 yard line
 - Punt from his 20 yard line
 - a or b above
 - None of the above
51. A, 3/4 at the A-18. A27 muffs the backward pass from A11. Instead of recovering the ball, B90 intentionally kicks the ball at the A-14 and it goes into A's end zone where it is recovered by B44 for an apparent touchdown. B44 then spikes the ball in celebration. Ruling:

- a. Touchdown for B and penalize B on the try or the subsequent kickoff
- b. A, 1/10 at A-48 after both penalties are enforced
- c. Replay the down
- d. None of the above

52. During a successful try, there is a forward pass foul by A that includes a loss of down, or during an unsuccessful try there is any other foul by A. Ruling:

- a. Replay the try from the previous spot
- b. No point is scored and there is no replay
- c. Penalize A and replay the try
- d. None of the above

53. Which of the following is not a legal field goal attempt?

- a. A field goal on a free kick following a safety
- b. A place kick or drop kick from scrimmage
- c. A free kick following a fair catch
- d. A free kick following an awarded fair catch

54. If any kick becomes dead on or behind K's goal line with the ball in possession of K and the force is R's muff or bat of the ball after it has touched the ground, it is:

- a. A safety
- b. A touchback or penalty if batted
- c. Touchdown
- d. None of the above

55. Which of the following is not a touchdown?

- a. A86 and B24 simultaneously control a pass while airborne over the field of play and come to the ground in B's end zone
- b. A scrimmage kick blocked at the K-5, goes into K's end zone where it is recovered by R15
- c. R23 muffs a scrimmage kick at the R-2 and then K26 catches the kick in R's end zone
- d. The ball in possession of A32 breaks the plane of B's goal line, but no other parts of his body breaks the goal line plane

56. B23 intercepts a pass on the B-3 and his momentum takes him into his end zone where A86 tackles him. Ruling:

- a. B, 1/10 on the B-3
- b. Touchback
- c. Safety
- d. None of the above

57. A, 3/Goal at the B-4, A32 fumbles on the B-3 and the ball rolls out of bounds in B's end zone. Ruling:

- a. A, 4/Goal at the B-3
- b. Safety
- c. Touchback
- d. Touchdown

58. A free kick by A rolls into B's end zone between the hash mark and the sideline on the Line Judge side of the field.

- a. R can only put the ball in play on the R-20 at the Line Judge hash mark
- b. R can put the ball in play anywhere between the hash marks on the R-20
- c. Because the ball rolled into the end zone, the ball remains live and R can return it
- d. None of the above

59. It is a foul for a player to:

- a. Grasp an opponent's face mask
- b. Charge into or throw an opponent to the ground after the ball is clearly dead
- c. Trip or clip an opponent except the ball carrier
- d. All of the above are correct

60. Which of the following is not an authorized conference during a timeout?
- a. The Referee confers with the coach at the sideline in front of his team box
 - b. One or more coaches confer with one or more players outside the nine yard marks in front of his team box
 - c. One coach confers with one or more players at his team's huddle between the hash marks with an iPad to illustrate the play
 - d. None of the above
61. R16 blocks K22 at the R-18 before he can kick a field goal. Ruling: Roughing the kicker.
- a. True
 - b. False
62. A defensive player shall not use his hands to:
- a. Grasp or hold an opponent other than a runner
 - b. Strike an opponent
 - c. Add momentum to the charge of a teammate who is on the line of scrimmage
 - d. All of the above are correct
63. Unsportsmanlike acts include:
- a. A player using profanity, insulting or vulgar language or gestures
 - b. A non-player being outside his team box in the restricted area during a play
 - c. Using disconcerting acts or words prior to the snap in an attempt to interfere with A's signals or movement
 - d. All of the above are correct
 - e. Only a & c are correct
64. It is a personal foul for a player whose helmet comes off during a down to replace his helmet on his head and continue to participate.
- a. True
 - b. False
65. When two or more live ball (other than unsportsmanlike) or non-player fouls are committed by the same team:
- a. Only the first foul is penalized
 - b. Penalties are enforced in the order of occurrence
 - c. Only one penalty may be enforced
 - d. None of the above
66. If a foul (other than roughing the passer or kick-catching interference) occurs during a loose ball play, the basic spot of enforcement is the:
- a. Previous spot
 - b. Succeeding spot
 - c. End of the run
 - b. Spot of the foul
67. If a foul occurs during a running play, the basic spot of enforcement is the:
- a. Previous spot
 - b. Succeeding spot
 - c. End of the run
 - b. Spot of the foul
68. The penalty is administered from the succeeding spot for:
- a. Any foul between downs
 - b. Any unsportsmanlike fouls
 - c. Any non-player fouls
 - d. All of the above are correct

69. A, 3/10 at the B-49, A44 advances to the B-18 where the ball becomes dead, B28 piles on. Ruling:

- a. A, 1/1 at B-9
- b. A, 1/10 at B-18
- c. A, 1/Goal at B-9
- d. None of the above

70. A, 2/12 at the A-46, A16 drops back to pass, as he is being tackled behind the line, he intentionally throws the ball forward to the ground. Ruling:

- a. Loose ball play, penalize from the previous spot
- b. Running play, penalize from the end of the run and count the down
- c. Running play, penalize from the end of the run and replay the down
- d. None of the above

71. Penalties for dead ball fouls are:

- a. Administered separately, and in the order of occurrence
- b. Coupled with live ball fouls to create double fouls
- c. If fouls committed by both teams, they all offset
- d. None of the above

72. A, 3/8 at the B-40, A27 runs to the B-35 where he is tackled. B62 piles on and almost immediately thereafter, A88 spears B62. Ruling:

- a. Offsetting fouls, replay the down
- b. Penalize B, 15 yards and set the line to gain equipment, penalize A 15 yards so it is A, 1/25 at the B-35
- c. Just penalize B for piling on
- d. None of the above

73. A, 2/Goal at the B-6, after runner A44 enters the end zone, he throws the ball from the field of play in exuberance. B chooses to enforce the penalty on the kick off. During the successful try, B66 holds. A does not want to replay the try.

- a. Only the foul by A will be administered on the kickoff
- b. Only the foul by B will be administered on the kickoff
- c. The fouls offset
- d. None of the above

74. Team A's on-side kick from the K-40 is untouched at the K-48 when K55 blocks R44 above the waist in the front at the R-49. K28 muffs the ball at the K-49. After the ball rolls to the R-49, K88 blocks R22 above the waist in the front at the K-47. K20 recovers while grounded at the K-49.

- a. First touching by K28
- b. The block by K55 is a foul
- c. The block by K88 is legal
- d. Team K is in possession of the ball when it is declared dead
- e. All of the above are correct

75. During the middle of the second period, the ball carrier, A22 is tackled in the field of play short of the line to gain. During the play A66's helmet comes off (no foul) and A89 goes down with an injury.

- a. A89 may remain in the game if Team A is granted a timeout
- b. Both A66 and A89 may stay in the game if either team is granted a timeout
- c. A66 may remain in the game if Team A is granted a timeout
- d. None of the above

76. After the ball is dead, A55 is flagged for a dead-ball personal foul for his late block at the waist against B33. When B33 hits the ground his helmet comes off. Team B is out of timeouts.

- a. B33 must leave the game for the next down
- b. B33 may remain in the game because of the foul
- c. B33 may remain in the game because the ball was dead when his helmet came off

77. A, 3/5 at the B-20, B44 intercepts a forward pass at the B-3 and his momentum carries him into his end zone. While still in the end zone B44 fumbles the ball, which rolls forward into the field of play. In the scramble for the ball, B19 muffs the ball back into Team B's end zone and over the end line.

- a. Touchback, Team B, 1/10 at the B-20
- b. Momentum rule applies, Team B, 1/10 at the B-3
- c. Safety, Two points for Team A

78. After the ball carrier is tackled, A55 and B73 start scuffling so that the officials appropriately throw flags. Both A55 and B73 are charged with dead-ball personal fouls.

- a. The penalties offset
- b. A55 and B73 are both charged with fouls for unsportsmanlike conduct
- c. A55 is later charged with an unsportsmanlike foul and must be disqualified
- d. All of the above are correct

79. A, 4/7 at the A-30. During the punt B79 holds A55 at the A-32. B44 catches the kick at the B-25 and carries the ball out of bounds at the B-40.

- a. Team A, 1/10 at the A-40
- b. Team B, 1/10 at the B-15
- c. Team B, 1/10 at the B-30
- d. None of the above

80. A, 4/6 at the A-49. End A80 is at the B-30 when he is the first to touch a punt that crosses the neutral zone. B22 picks up the ball at the B-25 and carries to the B-40 where he fumbles, and during this run B70 holds at the B-30. A33 recovers the fumble and returns it for a touchdown.

- a. The penalty for B70's holding foul is declined by rule
- b. The ball becomes dead when A80 touches it
- c. If Team A accepts the penalty, Team B, 1/10 at the B-20
- d. None of the above

81. Punt receiver B44 at the B-20 lets the kick bounce and then signals for a fair catch by clearly raising his hand and waving it side to side more than once. He then gets possession of the ball at the B-22 and is tackled at the B-28.

- a. B44 has made a fair catch
- b. The dead-ball spot is the B-22
- c. The delay-of-game penalty is enforced at the spot of the signal, the B-20
- d. B44 is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct for the deception of his signal

82. B47 intercepts a pass at the B-3. His momentum takes him into the end zone where he fumbles. The ball rolls into the field of play. A33 recovers at the B-4 and carries to the B-2 where he is hit and fumbles. The ball rolls into the end zone and over the end line.

- a. Touchback
- b. Safety
- c. Team B, 1/10 at the B-3

83. B44 intercepts a pass in his end zone. While in the end zone he fumbles, and the ball rolls forward into the field of play. As the ball rolls along the ground, A33 intentionally kicks it into the end zone and over the end line.

- a. The result of the play is a touchback
- b. The status of the ball is still a fumble after A33 kicks it
- c. Team B, 1/10 at the B-35
- d. All of the above are correct
- e. None of the above

84. Team A punts on fourth and seven at the B45. While the kick is in the air, B-63 clips at the B30. B-21 catches the kick in his end zone and retreats across the end line.

- a. Safety
- b. Team B, 1/10 at the B-10
- c. First down for Team B at the B-15
- d. None of the above

85. Fourth and 10 at the A-5. Punter A27 is standing in his end zone when he punts the ball. The kick strikes B38 in the helmet at the A-10. The ball then rebounds back into Team A's end zone, where A27 recovers, advances and steps out of bounds at the A-10.

- a. Touchback, Team A's ball, 1/10 at the A-20
- b. A, 1/10 at the A-10
- c. Safety, Team A free kick at the A-20
- d. The touching by B38 is ignored as forced touching

86. Team A punts on 4/12 at the A-35. The ball is in flight when B23 signals for a fair catch at the 50-yard line but does not touch the ball. While the ball is rolling on the ground, B23 pushes A82 in the back above the waist at the B-45 in an attempt to get to the ball. B80 recovers the ball while grounded at the B-48.

- a. Foul by B23. The penalty is 15 yards
- b. Foul by B23. The penalty is 10 yards
- c. Legal block since B23 is eligible to touch the ball

87. Team A punts on 4/7 at the B-40. Receiver B27 is at the B-10 where he signals for a fair catch after the ball has hit the ground. A20 then blocks B27 above the waist at the front, causing B27 to touch the ball at the B-5. The ball rolls into Team B's end zone where A77 recovers while grounded.

- a. Touchdown
- b. Foul by A20 for kick-catch interference
- c. Safety
- d. The ball is dead when it breaks the goal-line plane

88. A, 3/20 at the A-40. B77 sacks quarterback A11 at the A-35. After the ball is dead B77 stands over A11 and curses him, which draws a flag from the referee.

- a. First and 10 at the 50
- b. First and 10 at the B-45
- c. Fourth and 5 at the B-45
- d. Fourth and 10 at the 50

89. Team A punts 4/12 at the A-25. Team A is flagged for an illegal shift. During the kick, B72 blocks below the waist at the B-45. Receiver B28 signals and makes a fair catch at the B-40.

- a. No option: Penalties offset and the down is replayed
- b. Team B may refuse offsetting fouls; they will have the ball at the B-30
- c. Team B may refuse offsetting fouls; they will have the ball at the B-25
- d. None of the above

90. A, 4/10 at the A-30. When the punt is in the air right defensive end B-88 blocks below the waist at the A40. His block is from the front. B-33 catches the punt at the B30 and is tackled at the A35.

- a. Legal block
- b. Illegal block below the waist. Post-scrimmage kick enforcement (PSK). 15-yard penalty at the B-30
- c. Illegal block below the waist. PSK, 15-yard penalty at the spot of the foul, which is the A-40
- d. Illegal block below the waist. Penalty enforced at the previous spot and the down repeated

91. B47 intercepts a pass at the B-3. His momentum carries him into the end zone where he fumbles the ball. It rolls into the field of play and out of bounds at the B-8.

- a. The momentum exception applies. Team B's ball, 1/10 at the B-3
- b. The momentum exception does not apply. Safety, Two points for Team A
- c. The momentum exception does not apply. Team B's ball at the B-8

92. A, 4/5 at the 50. The snap to punter A19 is over his head. He retreats to the A-20 where he picks up the ball and kicks it while on the run. B25 holds gunner A44 at the B-40. The ball lands on the A-49 where B11 recovers it and advances to the A-40.

- a. Game clock starts on the Ready-for-play signal
- b. B25's foul is governed by post-scrimmage kick enforcement
- c. First and 10, for Team A, at the B-40

93. A, 3/5 at the B-10. Team A trails 27-20 with 0:02 remaining in the fourth quarter. A12 completes a pass to A88 in the end zone for a touchdown, making the score 27-26. B90 is flagged for roughing the passer. Time in the game expires on the play.

- a. Team A may attempt the try at the B-3 and have the penalty enforced in the extra period if the try is successful
- b. Team A attempts the try at the B-1½
- c. If the try is successful Team A may have the penalty enforced on the kickoff during the extension of the period

94. Try at the B-3. Team A trails 27-26 with no time remaining in the fourth quarter. A44's place kick is good and B82 is flagged for roughing the kicker.

- a. Team A has the option to repeat the try after the penalty is enforced or have the penalty carried over to the extra period
- b. Penalty must carry over to the extra period - no option
- c. Team A may elect to have the penalty enforced on the kickoff during extension of the period

95. A, 2/G at the B-15. B30 commits defensive pass interference during a legal forward pass. B30 intercepts the pass and returns it to the B-7 where he is tackled.

- a. A, 2/Goal at the B-7½, the clock starts on the snap
- b. A, 1/Goal at the B-2, the clock starts on the ready-for-play signal
- c. A, 2/Goal at the B-7½, the clock starts on the ready-for-play signal
- d. B, 1/10 at the B-7, clock starts on the snap

96. A, 4/7 at the A-15. While the punt is in the air, B21 blocks A27 in the back at the A-48. B3 catches the kick at the B-47 and returns to the A-3 where he is hit and fumbles the ball into the end zone and over the end line.

- a. If accepted, the penalty for B21's foul is enforced at the previous spot
- b. The penalty for B21's foul is enforced under post-scrimmage kick rules
- c. The game clock will start on the ready-for-play signal

97. A, 2/4 at the A-22. Just after the snap, snapper A52 blocks nose tackle B99 above the waist and right guard A61 simultaneously blocks B99 at the knee. B45 intercepts A10's pass and returns it for a touchdown.

- a. To keep the touchdown, Team B must decline the penalty for the chop block
- b. The penalty for the chop block is enforced on the try or the succeeding kickoff
- c. No foul, since there is no delay between the two blocks

98. A, 4/4 at the B-48. While the punt is in the air, B34 blocks A40 in the back at the B-10. The ball bounces at the B-5 and hits A19 in the leg. B28 recovers the ball at the B-8 and advances to the B-14 where he is hit and fumbles. A55 recovers the fumble and runs for a touchdown.

- a. If the penalty for B34's foul is accepted, the score does not count and Team A retains possession after enforcement at the previous spot
- b. The penalty for B34's foul is governed by post-scrimmage kick rules
- c. If the penalty for B34's foul is accepted, the score does not count and Team A retains possession after enforcement at the spot of the foul
- d. The penalty for B34's foul is declined by rule
- e. None of the above

99. A, 4/10 at the A-30. The punt rolling on the ground is first touched by A22 at the B-35 and bounces to the B-20 where B44 recovers and is tackled at the B-28. Team A had five men in the backfield at the snap.

- a. Team B may have the penalty enforced at the previous spot
- b. Team B may have the penalty enforced at the B-28
- c. Team B may decline the penalty and put the ball in play at the B-35
- d. Both a & c are correct

100. A, 4/15 at the A-30. The punt is rolling on the ground when A44 blocks B33 into the ball at the B-40. The ball then bounces into the leg of B66 at the B-45. Team A recovers at the B-42.

- a. A, 1/10 at B-42
- b. B, 1/10 at B-45
- c. B, 1/10 at B-40
- d. B, 1/10 at B-42

101. For varsity contests, officials should arrive at least _____ before scheduled game time.

- a. 1 hour
- b. 30 minutes
- c. 1½ hours

102. No player shall participate while wearing illegal equipment. This applies to any equipment, which in the opinion of the umpire is dangerous, confusing or inappropriate.

- a. True
- b. False

103. The Head Linesman is responsible for providing the down-marker operator with a bean bag for first-and-goal situations when the line-to-gain equipment has been removed.

- a. True
- b. False

104. The Line Judge is responsible for all timing situations, including 25-second count, time-outs, quarter change and the time between a score and the succeeding kickoff.

- a. True
- b. False

105. Prior to the start of the game, the head coach shall be responsible for verifying to the Referee in the presence of the Umpire, that all of his players are legally equipped and in compliance with the rules.

- a. True
- b. False

106. When a measurement occurs, the umpire:

- a. is in charge of the front stake
- b. holds the ball in place on the ground
- c. obtains a new ball from the ball person

107. On a kickoff, the _____ should position himself on R's goal line on _____ sideline just outside the inbounds line (hash mark).

- a. Umpire / Line Judge
- b. Referee / Linesman

108. On a kick out-of-bounds, untouched by R, the nearest official must

- a. throw his penalty marker in the air
- b. mark the spot with a bean bag
- c. mark the spot with a penalty marker

109. A kickoff by K1 from K's 40 is muffed by R1 at R's 45 yd. line. K2 may recover and advance.

- a. True
- b. False

110. If there is a foul to be administered on the free-kick, the _____ gives final signal and administers the penalty.

- a. Referee
- b. Umpire
- c. Back Judge

111. There is no provision in the NFHS football rules for a player with an ineligible number to report to the Referee and become eligible.

- a. True
- b. False

112. In a scrimmage kick formation after the ball is spotted, the Back Judge positions himself 10-12 yds. Wider than and 2-3 yards behind the deepest receiver(s) on Head Linesman's side of the field.

- a. True
- b. False

113. The Referees position during a scrimmage kick should be 3-5 yards outside the tight end and 2-3 yards behind the kicker, on kicking-leg side.

- a. True
- b. False

114. The _____ must hold the LOS after the snap to know if the kick crossed the neutral zone.

- a. Head Linesman
- b. Line Judge

115. On out-of-bounds runs, especially in team areas, the Back Judge moves into the area of the dead ball and assists officials in:

- a. retrieving a new game ball
- b. maintaining order

116. After the snap the Umpire should key the center and guards.

- a. if they block aggressively, then read run
- b. if they pass block, then read pass
- c. Both of the above are correct

117. When an offensive player goes in motion, the flank official that the motion man starts away from will have primary responsibility for him until the snap. The opposite flank should assist if an obvious infraction occurs.

- a. True
- b. False

118. On sweeps towards his sideline, the Head Linesman or Line Judge should:

- a. step back towards the offensive backfield, allow the play to pass you, then, follow the play down the side line
- b. hold the line of scrimmage, allow the play to pass you, then, follow the play down the side line
- c. release at the snap and go 5 yards downfield, allow the play to pass you, then, follow the play down the side line

119. As the 25 second count is winding down, the Back Judge should:

- a. raise his arm with 10 seconds left
- b. raise his arm with 5 seconds left

120. When a runner's forward progress has been stopped and he is being driven backwards or sideways, a fumble may still occur if B "strips" the ball from A.

- a. True
- b. False

121. When the line-to-gain is the goal line, the chains shall be dropped to the ground away from the field of play with the down marker remaining in the upright position.

- a. True
- b. False

122. On the first sideline warning, the covering official drops penalty marker, then sounds the whistle when ball is dead, gives proper signal, and then reports infraction to Referee.

- a. True
- b. False

123. The Wing Official who is facing the holder (Referee's back),

- a. gets one goal post
- b. holds the line of scrimmage and opposite wing gets the goal post

124. The _____ assists the Referee to determine whether the passer's feet were in or behind the neutral zone when the ball is released.

- a. Line Judge
- b. Head Linesman
- c. Umpire

125. If a pass is complete in the Back Judge's area of responsibility, he should

- a. move towards forward progress and sound whistle when ball is dead
- b. when line to gain is reached after ball is dead, give time out signal twice
- c. Both of the above are correct

126. On fumbles behind the line of scrimmage the spot of the fumble must be bean bagged.

- a. True
- b. False

127. If the Referee / Back Judge has the goal line, the Head Linesman / Line Judge are not to blow their whistles unless they have the runner Out of Bounds (OOB) prior to crossing the goal line.

- a. True
- b. False

128. A balanced formation means there is the same number of eligible receivers outside of the tackles on both sides of the formation.

- a. True
- b. False

129. After the snap: the Head Linesman and Line Judge observe keys and read tackle to determine run or pass.

- a. stay on line of scrimmage until ball carrier crosses line of scrimmage
- b. or until receiver(s) on your side of the field have gone at least 10-12 yards downfield
- c. Both of the above are correct

130. At the goal line, the Umpire should refrain from giving the touchdown signal.

- a. True
- b. False

131. If a play threatens the back corner of the End Zone,

- a. the Back Judge and Wing Officials should make eye contact prior to giving a signal
- b. the Back Judge immediately signals touchdown and then confer with Wing Officials

132. Incomplete pass signals should be given,

- a. while the official is running down the field
- b. after the official comes to a complete stop

133. Unused 2nd half time-outs may be carried over into an overtime period. Each team will start the overtime period with the time outs that carry over plus one (1) time out.

- a. True
- b. False

134. On pass plays, the _____ initially has primary responsibility for the receiver(s) inside the widest receivers (slot or tight end), but switches to zone coverage after the snap.

- a. Head Linesman
- b. Line Judge
- c. Back Judge

135. Which official is responsible for: Down, Distance, Line to Gain and Clock Status?

- a. Referee
- b. Umpire
- c. Wing Officials
- d. Back Judge
- e. All of the above are correct

136. To indicate double stakes, the officials should:

- a. cross their wrists at chest level
- b. verbalize but not signal

137. The spot where the runner's knee touches the ground is almost always the forward progress spot.

- a. True
- b. False

138. One of the keys to avoiding inadvertent whistles is to avoid blowing the whistle unless the ball can be actually seen in possession of a runner who is down or forward progress stopped.

- a. True
- b. False

139. After a Field Goal attempt or Try, the Back Judge and Line Judge or Head Linesman who are the covering officials move at the same time, move one yard into the end zone in front of their upright and signal score or no score two (2) times while facing the LOS.

- a. True
- b. False

140. When the line-to-gain has been achieved, the Line Judge should signal time-out.

- a. True
- b. False

141. After the ball is spotted, the Referee moves to a position that is visible to the clock operator, approximately 10 yards from the line of scrimmage and 5 yards wide of the huddle and declares ready for play.

- a. True
- b. False

142. On fouls to be enforced on kick-offs, the Back Judge will give signal to the press-box.

- a. True
- b. False

143. After the Umpire spots the ball, he remains over the ball until the Referee gives the ready for play signal or he is released by the Referee.

- a. True
- b. False

144. False Start Signal is to be used between Referee & Umpire to communicate that this play requires protection for snapper in accordance with the rules.

- a. True
- b. False

145. B27 intercepts a pass at the B14. The covering official should drop his bean bag at the spot of the interception.

- a. True
- b. False

146. The signal of a fist above shoulder level indicates there are 11 players on offense or defense when counting is complete.

- a. True
- b. False

147. It is strongly recommended that the covering official hold his whistle until another official confirms the play has ended.

- a. True
- b. False

148. It is recommended that an official should remove the whistle from his mouth from the snap until the ball is declared dead.

- a. True
- b. False

149. Cross field mechanics refers to a mechanic in which a Wing Official looks across the field to the opposite Wing Official for forward progress.

- a. True
- b. False

150: When an official is having difficulty counting players he should:

- a. twirl his index finger at chest level
- b. verbally inform the nearest official to count again
- c. raise his left hand above their head