

Southern California Collegiate Football Officials Association SCCFOA 2011 Clinic Examination

**DIRECTIONS: Transfer answer to answer sheet and darken correct answer.
If any part of the question is false, the entire question is false.**

1. With regards to possible chop blocks, a low-low block anywhere on the field, with or without delay between contacts is a legal block.
2. Running back A28, who at the snap is stationary and completely inside the tackle box, may only block below the waist along a north-south line or toward his adjacent sideline.
3. On free kicks the 25-second clock will start when the back judge hands the ball to the kicker.
4. The game clock will start on the referee's ready for play signal after a running play out of bounds for a new first down during the entire game.
5. It is a foul to grab the quarterback by the back of jersey and immediately pull him to the ground while he is still in the tackle box.
6. In the event of an injured player(s) an official will declare a timeout and the player(s) must leave the game. He must remain out of the game for at least one down.
7. Fourth and three at the Team A 40 yard line. B intercepts A's legal forward pass and advances across A's goal line. B was offside. A accepts the penalty. The clock will start on the ready as Team A is awarded a first down after enforcement of the penalty.
8. A period shall be extended for an untimed down if a penalty is accepted for a live-ball foul by either team, unless the statement of the penalty includes loss of down.
9. With the game clock running and less than one minute remaining in either half, if a player of either team commits a foul that causes the clock to stop, the officials will always subtract 10 seconds from the game clock as part of the penalty enforcement.
10. The plane of the goal line includes the two pylons. This plane is extended for an airborne player only if he next touches a pylon or the ground in the end zone.
11. B16 muffs the opening kick-off in flight in his end-zone. To prevent Team A from covering the ball for a TD, B16 bats the ball out the back of the end-zone. Ruling: Safety
12. On a sweep to right, left guard A65, in 'the rectangular area', blocks nose guard B53. The block is from behind and initial contact is below the knee. Ruling: Legal block.
13. A third sideline interference penalty against the same team will result in a 15-yard penalty from the succeeding spot.
14. Beyond the neutral zone, receiver A36 is about to receive a legal forward pass. B18 drives into his helmet into A36 prior to the pass arriving. Ruling: A foul for Defensive Pass Interference is the only option.
15. When it is obvious that a scrimmage kick will be made, no opponent shall run into or rough the kicker even if the kicker has carried the ball outside the tackle box before kicking.
16. If the game clock is stopped for an injury to a Team B player, the play clock will always be set at 40 seconds. *(Except if the game clock is running and under 40 seconds)*
17. Third and 4 on B's 14. The score is A24-B27. Team A has no timeouts remaining. A12 takes the snap and pitches the ball backward to A19 who is running to the right. A19 is outside the tackle box and pressured by B96 so A19 throws the ball into the upper deck with the ball crossing the sideline on B's 9. The clock shows 0:09 in the fourth quarter. Ruling: Game Over

18. Unsportsmanlike Conduct fouls (by players) will be enforced as either live ball or dead ball fouls depending on when they occur.
19. The receiving team on all kicks (except field-goal attempts) will have the option of enforcing the penalty for all kicking team fouls either at the previous spot or at the spot where the subsequent dead ball belongs to the receiving team.
20. There is no longer a foul or a 15-yard penalty for "Illegal Participation".
21. It is illegal for a player to go out of bounds to block an opponent who is out of bounds. This is a personal foul and the 15-yard penalty is enforced from the spot of the block.
22. If Team A is in a formation to attempt a place kick (field goal or try) it is illegal for three Team B players on their line of scrimmage inside the blocking zone to align shoulder-to-shoulder and move forward together after the snap with primary contact against a single Team A player. PENALTY—Live-ball foul. Fifteen yards, previous spot.
23. To legally "Ground" the ball the passer need only have an eligible receiver in the area. The receiver no longer needs to have an opportunity to catch the pass.
24. Third and 15 at the A-45. Quarterback A12 drops back to pass and is sacked by tackle B77 for a 10-yard loss. B77 leaps to his feet, beats his chest and stands over A12 taunting him, drawing flags from the referee and the line judge. After enforcement of the penalty it will be Team A's ball, fourth and 10 at the 50 yard line.
25. First and 10 at A-30. QB A11 drops straight back into the pocket and looks for an open receiver. He is unable to do so and under extreme pressure at the A-20 he throws the ball directly into the ground at the feet of Right Tackle A77. There is not an eligible receiver in the area. As A11 releases the ball he is contacted above the shoulders by B99. RULING: Offset; replay first down.
26. For offensive players in motion behind the snapper (between the guards) the adjacent sideline is sideline toward which he is moving at the snap.
27. Following the penalty enforcement and 10-second subtraction, the game clock will start on the referee's ready for play signal unless the fouling team chooses to use one of their remaining team timeouts.
28. The only 15-yard penalties are for personal fouls, unsportsmanlike conduct, defensive pass interference, and illegal participation.
29. Team A comes to the line and fails to get all eleven players set for a full second before snapping the ball. Let the play continue, this is a live-ball foul resulting in a 5-yard penalty.
30. Players of Team B may block below the waist until the ball is five yards beyond the line of scrimmage, except against players in position to receive a backward pass or eligible receivers beyond the line of scrimmage.
31. Formation of a wedge on free kicks is not a foul when the kick results in a touchback or from an obvious on-side kick.
32. A free kick after a safety may be a punt, drop kick, or place kick.
33. The Team A runner goes out of bounds with 2:00 remaining in the second quarter. After spotting the ball the game clock will start on the ready for play.
34. Team A completes a pass to the tight end who runs for a touchdown. The left tackle is called for holding. Following the 10-yard previous spot penalty the game clock will start on the ready for play.
35. It is possible to have a foul for roughing the passer even if the passer throws an illegal forward pass.

36. In the fourth quarter, the clock is stopped following a running play ending inbounds because both a Team A and a Team B player are injured. The play clock will be set at 25 seconds.
37. Third and 10 at the B-20. Team A QB throws a touchdown pass on the last timed down of the fourth quarter, trailing 21-20. The LJ correctly rules the QB/passers over the line of scrimmage when the pass was thrown from the B-18. RULING: Fourth and 13 at the B-23. Untimed down; previous spot foul and loss of down.
38. When a ball carrier loses his helmet during a play, the ball is declared dead, same as the ball carrier's knee touching the ground, the game clock continues to run and the play clock is set at 40 seconds.
39. On a conversion try that started at the B 3 yard line, B-47 commits D.P.I. in his own end zone. After the penalty is enforced, the ball will next be snapped from the B 2 yard line.
40. Professional medical personnel must approve the return of any injured or bleeding player for whom the officials have stopped the clock for an injury timeout.
41. When in question it is a foul for situations involving targeting an opponent or initiating contact with the crown of the helmet.
42. Players are no longer required to wear kneepads.
43. Socks must be of the same color and design; however, there is no requirement that players wear the same length of sock.
44. Eye shades worn must be solid black in color with no words, numbers, logos, or other symbols.
45. On tries for point and in extra periods, fouls by the scoring team after a change of team possession cancel the score and the down is not replayed.
46. It is a foul for roughing or running into the kicker if the defender is blocked (illegally or legally) into the kicker.
47. On a free kick, catch interference occurs at the A-45. The ball subsequently goes out of bounds at the 50-yard line untouched by Team B. Team B may accept or decline either penalty.
48. The kicker of a free kick may not be blocked until the ball has traveled 10 yards beyond the restraining line.
49. Team A has been set for one second when the fullback moves to a new position. He stops, but before one second elapses the ball is snapped. The HL and LJ correctly throw flags for an illegal shift.
50. Team B player catches a long punt at the B-10 and is tackled at the B-22. During the runback, a Team B player holds on the B-24. Team A was in illegal formation at the snap. RULING: Fouls offset and Team A repeats fourth down, no option.