

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COLLEGIATE FOOTBALL OFFICIALS'
ASSOCIATION
SCCFOA 2011 SUMMER STUDY GUIDE**

1. Running back A-29 runs for 14 yards and an apparent 1st down. A-56 is called for holding behind the neutral zone. Ruling: Penalize Team A – 10 yards from the previous spot and repeat the down. (9-3-3-pen)
2. Team A's 3rd down quick kick is blocked and remains behind the L.O.S. The ball is recovered by A-66. Ruling: A's ball – 4th down. Start the clock on the ready. (1-4-3-c)
3. Team A's kick conversion try from the 3 yard line is batted in flight above the crossbar by B-81. The ball is then recovered by A-86 in the end zone. Ruling: Illegal batting. Award 2 points to Team a. (9-4-1)
4. Center A-56 is considered to have touched the ball if his hands are in a position at or below his knees. (7-1-3-a-5)
5. Defensive nose-guard B-67 enters the neutral zone suddenly, but does not make contact with A-56. Offensive tight end A-81 reacts to the movement of B-67. Ruling: Foul on A-81. (7-1-4)
6. Runner A-20 touches defensive player B-71 whose feet are on the sideline. Ruling: A-20 is considered to not be out of bounds. (4-2-1)
7. Illegally blocking the kicker on a free kick will result in a 15 yard penalty from the previous spot. (9-1-3-c)
8. On the opening kick-off of the 2nd half, the kicked ball goes out of bounds, untouched at the Team B 6 yard line. One of B's options is to have the ball – 1st and 10 at the B 40 yard line. (6-2-1)
9. The penalties for illegally kicking and illegally batting the ball carry a 10-yard penalty; plus, a loss of down in some instances. (9-4-1 and 9-4-4)
10. B-43 intercepts A's forward pass at the B 4 ½ yard line. His momentum is taking him into the end-zone. He fumbles the ball at the B 2 yard line and the ball rolls into the end-zone where it is recovered by B-40. Ruling: B's ball – 1st and 10 at the B 20 yard line. (8-5-1)
11. The blocking zone is a rectangle centered on the snapper and extending five yards laterally and three yards longitudinally in each direction. (3-2-6)
12. A's field goal attempt from the B 31 yard line is short and rolls dead at the B 12 yard line. Ruling: B's ball – 1st and 10 from the 12. (8-4-2)

13. An injured player sent to the sideline may participate in the next play if approved by team medical personnel. (3-3-5)
14. If a Team A player is restricted at the snap in blocking below the waist—which means he is a back in motion or outside the tackle box, or a lineman outside the seven-yard limit—then he may legally block below the waist only along the north-south line or at an angle toward the sideline closer to him when the ball was snapped. (9-1-6)
15. B-81 intercepts a pass in his own end-zone. He fumbles the ball forward and the ball goes out of bounds, crossing the sideline at the B 8 yard line. Ruling: B's ball – 1st and 10 at the B 8 yard line. (7-2-4-b)
16. No player shall target and initiate contact to the head or neck area of a defenseless opponent with the helmet, forearm, elbow or shoulder. When in question this is a foul. (9-1-4)
17. The 40 second play clock will not be in effect if there was an administrative stoppage of the game. (3-2-4)
18. A team is limited to having a maximum of four (4) field captains. (1-1-5)
19. A-81 goes out of bounds on his own and returns to the field of play to be the first to touch a forward pass thrown by QB A-16. Ruling: 5 yard penalty and loss of down from the previous spot. (7-3-4)
20. The tackle box is the rectangular area enclosed by the neutral zone, the two lines parallel to the sidelines five yards from the middle lineman, and Team A's end line. (2-34)
21. Except when the ball is kicked from an obvious onside-kick formation, after the ball is kicked, the receiving team may not intentionally form a wedge of three or more players to block for the ball carrier. (6-1-9)
22. Following an official's time-out for any injured player, the 40/25 second play clock will be set to 25. (3-2-2-h)
23. On 2nd down, A-32 runs out of bounds during the 3rd quarter at the A 48 yard line. A's ball – 3rd down. Start the clock on the ready. (3-2-5-a-12)
24. Team A's free kick is muffed by B-83 in his own end-zone. The ball bounces forward into the field of play and out of bounds at the B 4 yard line. Ruling: B's ball, 1st and 10 at the B 4 yard line. (6-2-2)
25. Beginning in 2011, the foul for "illegal participation" has been eliminated and all infractions involving too many players are called "illegal substitution" and carry a five-yard penalty. (3-5-3)

26. Following a safety, Team A must kick off from the A 20 yard line. The kick, untouched by B, goes out of bounds at the B 24 yard line. One of B's options is to take the ball at the B 45 yard line. (6-2-1)
27. Incidental grabbing of the face mask by B-84 on runner A-36 will result in a 5 yard penalty. (9-1-2-g)
28. A free kick in flight is muffed in the end-zone by receiver B-16. The loose ball is batted backward and out of the end-zone by B-86. Ruling: Safety (9-4-1)
29. Beginning this season, unsportsmanlike conduct fouls by players will be enforced the same as if the foul were clipping or an illegal block below the waist. If the ball is alive when a player commits an unsportsmanlike act, then the penalty will be enforced in the same manner as any other live ball foul. (9-2-1 Penalty)
30. Team A fouls on all kicks can be either administered at the previous spot or the succeeding spot. (7-1-3 & 9-1-2 & 9-3-3-a)
31. Only the two players on either side of the center may lock legs with the center on all offensive plays. (7-1-3-b-2)
32. There may be no more than one running play behind the neutral zone if no change of team possession occurs. (2-30-4-a-2)
33. Home management is unable to get the field cleared in time to start the 2nd half. Ruling: The home team will be penalized 10 yards from the succeeding spot. (3-4-1-b)
34. A-79 is called for holding. On an interception return by Team B, B-82 is called for holding at the B-36 yard line. Ruling: B can keep the ball if they refuse the holding penalty on A – 1st down and 10 at the B 26 yard line. (10-1-4-excep.)
35. Only the head coach or one of his four designated field captains may request a team charged time-out. (1-1-5-c)
36. Time is running out in the 2nd quarter. A-14, positioned 7 yards behind the center, catches the snap from center and immediately throws the ball forward to the ground. Ruling: Illegal forward pass. (AR 7-3-2)
37. A12 takes the direct snap and drops straight back to pass. Under a heavy rush and unable to find an open receiver downfield, he dumps the ball off. It lands a few yards in front of him. Back A33 is blocking for A12 and not looking back to see the ball, which lands in his general direction but a few yards away from him. RULING: Grounding. The receiver in the area must he have a “reasonable opportunity” to make the catch.

38. The game clock is stopped for injured player A-89. A-89 is removed from the game. Start the game clock on the ready. (3-2-5-a-2)
39. B-74 grabs the inside back collar of the shoulder pads of runner A-32. A-32 breaks free and advances to the A 35 yards line where he is downed. Ruling: B-74 is guilty of a 'horse collar' foul. Team A will next put the ball in play 1st and 10 at the 50 yard line. (9-1-2-p)
40. The ball becomes dead immediately when a runner simulates placing his knee on the ground. (4-1-3-o)
41. The new 10-second subtraction is automatic and if the offended team accepts the penalty clock must be adjusted. (3-4-4)
42. 2nd and 8 at the B 31 yard line. B-63 is offsides at the snap. A-33 runs the ball to the B 9 yard line where he fumbles. During the loose ball, an official blows an inadvertent whistle. Ruling: A's ball, 2nd and 3 at the B 26 yard line. (4-1-2)
43. It is illegal for guard B-56 to grab and hold pulling guard A-60 in an attempt to break up the interference on an offensive sweep play. (9-3-4-b)
44. B-49 "face guards" receiver A-84. B-49 does not play the ball, but does not make physical contact with A-84. Ruling: Defensive pass interference can be called. (7-3-9-f)
45. Time expires in the first half on a play in which A12 is beyond the neutral zone when he completes a pass to A88 in Team B's end zone. RULING: Illegal Forward Pass; penalize Team A from the spot of the foul and extend the period for one untimed down. (3-2-3)
46. A-67 is called for holding on A's attempt at a 2 point conversion. B-71 clips on B-42's interception return. Ruling: Try is over – no replay. (8-3-4)
47. Fourth and 10 at the A-10. A33 is in deep punt formation to receive the long snap. A33 receives the snap, carries the ball outside the tackle box and kicks the ball rugby-style on the run. End B80 dives and crashes into A33's plant leg immediately after the ball is kicked. RULING: Foul for roughing the kicker (9-1-4)
48. Team A breaks their offensive huddle with 12 players. Ruling: Dead ball penalty, 5 yards from the succeeding spot. (9-2-2)
49. A chop block can only be called against the offensive team – Team A. (AR 2-3-3)
50. Early in the third quarter, a backward pass (not to conserve time) goes out of bounds. The ball is dead at the out of bounds spot and the clock will start on the ready. (3-2-5-a-12)