

KNOW YOUR KEYS

Get to know your keys so they're automatic. With all the distractions during a game, the better you know the mechanics of your position, the easier your job will be. If you become as knowledgeable as possible about your duties and responsibilities in different formations, you have a good chance at being successful at your job.

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MECHANICS & POSITIONING

We can't give you hard fast (*black & white*) mechanics for every possible thing that can happen on the football field. Sometimes we have things to do . . . sometimes we have to react. Officiate by your responsibilities, but react to the play. React to the situation. Good officials officiate the play. There are always exceptions to the rules. Get yourself in proper position to make the correct call. Have a feel for the game. **REACT! REACT! REACT!**

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