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GGSRA Referee Clinic

NFHS
2020 - 2021
Changes to the Laws of the Game

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Few of the 2019/2020 IFAB changes to the Laws Of The Game apply to high school rules for 2021

MOST RECENT ARTICLES

- NFHS Memo to Parents:

- COOL IT!
- Stop Criticizing High School Officials

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The message comes as a response to the shrinking number of high school officials, creating a shortage of those who remain an integral part of the interscholastic experience.

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A recent survey by the National Association of Sports Officials (NASO) reported more than 75 percent of all high school officials quit due to adult behavior and, furthermore, 80 percent of new officials step away after only two years of officiating

https://www.nfhs.org/articles/memo-to-parents-stop-criticizing-high-school-officials/

MOST RECENT ARTICLES

COURT RULES SPORTS OFFICIALS ARE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

https://www.nfhs.org/articles/court-rules-sports-officials-are-independent-contractors/

GGSRA COVID-19 Policy

- Officials must wear a mask during all interactions with team officials and players, pregame, half-time, and post game.
- Officials may lower mask during competition
- Officials will cover up while interacting with players during the stoppage, when issuing cards, setting up walls, speaking with the captains, WHEN LESS THEAN 6’ AWAY.

GGSRA COVID-19 Policy

- If an official refuses to comply by GGSRA Policy, he must contact the assignor prior to the start of the season or update their profile as **UNAVALIALBLE**
- If a team or a league Mandates the usage of masks by all officials, at all times, they must contact the assignor in writing prior to start of the season, which **MAY IMPACT THEIR HOME AND/OR AWAY GAME COVERAGE**

OVERVIEW OF RULE CHANGES

- **RULE 2-** Ball Specifications
- **RULE 4-** Player Equipment
- **RULE 9-** Ball In & Out of Play
  Drop Ball
- **RULE 13-** Ball In & Out of Play
  Indirect Free Kick
- **RULE 14-** Penalty Kick

Rule 2-2-4

- Ball becomes deflated during play
  - Drop ball where last played
  - During PK, retake
  - In Goal Area
    - Goal Area Line, parallel to the goal line nearest to the spot last played

Rule 4-1-1a

The visiting team shall wear:

- Solid white jerseys
- Solid white socks

The home team shall wear:

- Dark (colored) jerseys
- Dark (colored) socks
- Dark means it must have a contrast with white

Rule 9-1-1b

Ball Out Of Play When:

- Completely crossed the goal line or touch line in the air or on the ground
- The ball touches an official and remains on the field
  1. A team starts a promising attack
  2. Goes directly into the goal
  3. Possession changes

Rule 9-2-1

Drop Ball When:

- The ball is caused to go out-of-bound by two opponents simultaneously
- The ball becomes deflated
- Following a temporary suspension of play or Injury
  - When no one in passion of the ball
  - Unless simultaneous fouls of the same degree occur
- When the ball touches an official on the field of play

Rule 9-2-2

Drop Ball Procedure:

- If the ball was caused to go out of bound by two opponents simultaneously, the ball is dropped five yards inside the boundary line to one player of the team in possession of the ball prior to the simultaneous touch

Rule 9-2-2

Drop Ball Procedure:

Inside the Goal Area

- It shall be dropped on that part of the goal-area line which runs parallel to the goal line nearest to the location where the ball was when play stopped

Rule 9-2-3

Drop Ball Procedure:

- The ball is dropped to a player of the team that last possessed the ball Where last touched by a player
- The ball becomes deflated
- The ball touched an outside agent
- The ball touched an official on the field of play

Rule 9-2-3

Drop Ball Procedure:

If when play was stopped, the ball was in the penalty area or the last touch, by either team who was in the penalty area:

- The ball is dropped to the defending team's goalkeeper with all opposing players outside the penalty area it is in play.
- In all cases, all other players must remain 4 yards away from the ball until in play

Rule 13-3-1

Free Kick:

Where 3 or more defending team players from a wall, attacking player must remain at least 1 yeard from the wall until the ball is in play.

Rule 13-3-4

Indirect Free Kick:

The referee shall signal an IFK by raising an arm above head

If the referee fails to signal IDF by raising an arm and the ball goes directly into the opponent's goal, the kick shall be retaken.

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Penalty Kick

- The goalkeeper shall stand with at least one foot on or in-line with the goal line
- Facing the kicker
- Not be touching goal posts, crossbar, or the net
- Not permitted to come off the line with both feet until the ball is kicked

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

Pregame Communications Admin:

- Administrator to be present or reachable in order to take positive actions, if needed.
- The contest coaches should not serve as the principal's designee or game administrator.

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

Officials Communicating Misconduct to Coaches:

- Game Officials shall communicate (if not already clear) the nature of the misconduct to coaches, the scorer and other officials when a yellow/red card has been issued.
- This communication is only a notification and not an explanation. This is not an opportunity for the coaches to discuss or dissent the call.

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

The clock shall be stopped when a substitute by the team in the lead is beckoned on the field in the final five minutes of the second period only

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

- Improper Equipment is not the same as illegal equipment
- Improper Equipment: Shin guard moves to the side of leg
- Illegal Equipment: Shin guard is not worn, jewelry is worn, blood on uniform

RULE REVIEW
2019-2020

"Illegal equipment shall not be worn by any player. This applies to any equipment that in the opinion of the referee, is dangerous or confusing."

RULE REVIEW
2019-2020

Stops the clock during the last five minutes of the second period or second overtime period when the team in the lead substitutes

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

- Boundary lines are 4 inches
- Penalty kick mark is 2 foot line or 9” spot
- Home team to provide 3 balls
- **Home team to provide 2 ball holders**
- Unlimited Substitution
  - Own throw in, own corner kick
  - Any goal kick, any kick off, Injuries

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

- On a penalty kick, the only substitute permitted is for:
  - Injury
  - Caution
- Substitute may not take the PK
- Roster maybe updated anytime during the game, with players, coaches, etc..

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

- Any tape or elastic bands used to secure the socks must be of the same color

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

- If a visible apparel is worn under the jersey and/or shorts, it shall be of the similar length and a solid-like color for the team
- 6 inch number on the back of all jerseys including the GK, with solid contrasting colors
- 4 inch number on the front of the jerseys or on the shorts

RULE REVIEW 2019-2020

- Clock is stopped (time is not added)
  - PKs, Cautions, Disqualifications, Goals, Wasting time, or any other times the referee orders the clock to stop
- Winner of the coin toss choose side or ball

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IMPORTANT REMINDER:

- For any restart inside the team's own PK area, the ball in in play when kicked
- Opponents must remain outside the PK area until the ball is in play

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IMPORTANT REMINDER:

CIF Bylaws supersede NFHS Rules

- Concussion
- Scores Table
- Stadium Clock

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IMPORTANT REMINDER:

CIF: Concussion

- Per CIF, any player showing symptoms consistent with a concussion, is not allowed to return to the match the entire day.

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IMPORTANT REMINDER:

- We do not have a scores table, as such, subs must be at halfway line prior to own substitution opportunity
- Once at the halfway line, subs must substitutes at the next opportunity

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IMPORTANT REMINDER:

STADUIM CLOCK

- If a qualified timekeeper is not available, the clock shall stop with 2 minutes remaining.
- If the stadium clock is used, timekeeper must follow all referee signals to stop the clock

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NFHS RULES & RULE CHANGES

THANK YOU!