

New Official Exam

1. The Neutral Zone may be expanded how many yards behind the defensive line of scrimmage in the field of play?
  - a. 1 yard
  - b. 2 yards**
  - c. 3 yards

Rule 2.28

2. The Free Blocking Zone allows which of the following under certain conditions?
  - a. Blocking Below the Waist only
  - b. Blocking Below the Waist and Block in the Back**
  - c. Blocking Below the Waist, Block in the Back, and Clipping
  - d. Blocking Below the Waist, Block in the Back, Clipping, and Chop Block

Rule 2.17, 9.3

3. The officials stop the game for an injured player. Where may a team conference during the injury timeout?
  - a. Outside the 9-yard marks**
  - b. Inside the 9-yard marks
  - c. Either outside or inside the 9-yard marks

Rule 2.6, 3.5.8

4. In a legal formation, A/K may have NO MORE THAN \_\_\_ backs.
  - a. 3
  - b. 4**
  - c. 5

7.2.5

5. On 2<sup>nd</sup> down, A is not in a scrimmage kick formation. A must have at least \_\_\_ linemen numbered 50-79.
  - a. 4
  - b. 5**
  - c. 6

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6. K is lined up in scrimmage kick formation for a potential field goal. At the snap, B75 charges directly into snapper A35. Holder A5 rises and throws an incomplete legal forward pass to A2. Which of the following is correct?
- a. **No foul for roughing for roughing the snapper**
  - b. Foul for roughing the snapper

2.14, 9.4

7. A new force can be applied to a kick that breaks R's goal line.
- a. True
  - b. **False**

2.13

8. A new force can only be applied to which of the following?
- a. A ball in flight
  - b. **A grounded loose ball**

2.13

9. The LJ and BJ count 12 players in B's formation and no player is attempting to leave the field. Which of the following is the proper mechanic?
- a. **Throw their flag and forcibly blow their whistle while signaling to stop the clock preventing the ball from being snapped. The covering official(s) should verbally report the dead ball foul to the R.**
  - b. After the snap, throw your flag. When the down ends, signal to stop the clock and forcibly blow their whistle. The covering official(s) should verbally report the live ball foul to the R.

3.7, Mechanics

10. A non-player participates during a down if they influence the play.
- a. **True**
  - b. False

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11. A4 fumbles the ball. B75 muffs the loose the ball. Which of the following statements are true.

- a. **A retains team possession following B75's muff**
- b. B gains team possession following B75's muff
- c. No team is in possession while the ball is loose

2.27, 2.34, Fundamentals

12. On 1<sup>st</sup> down at A's 30, runner A5 fumbles. B7 touches the loose ball while touching out of bounds at A's 32. B9 falls on and secures possession at A's 34. Which of the following is correct?

- a. A will next put the ball in play at A's 30
- b. **A will next put the ball in play at A's 32**
- c. B will next put the ball in play at A's 32
- d. B will next put the ball in play at A's 34

2.29, Fundamentals, 4.3.1

13. After being set for 1 second, back A5 goes in motion. At the snap, A5 is moving forward toward the line of scrimmage. Which of the following is correct?

- a. No foul
- b. Dead ball foul
- c. **Live ball foul**

7.2.7

14. Backs A3 and A89 are both moving at the snap. Which of the following is correct?

- a. No foul
- b. Dead ball foul
- c. **Live ball foul**

7.2.6

15. When does a kick end?

- a. When any player touches the kick
- b. **When any player gains possession of the kick**

Fundamentals

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16. Is possession of a live ball in the opponent's end zone is ALWAYS a touchdown?

- a. **True**
- b. False

Fundamentals, 8.2.1

17. 4<sup>th</sup> and 10 from K's 30. K's punt lands at K's 35. K11 recovers at K's 29. K11 advances and is downed at K's 45. Which of the following is correct?

- a. **1<sup>st</sup> and 10 for K following the down**
- b. 1<sup>st</sup> and 10 for R at K's 29

Fundamentals, 6.2.3

18. In question 17, which official is responsible for determining where K recovered the kick?

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

Mechanics

19. K attempts a field goal from R's 25-yard line. The kick crosses R's goal line but is short of the end line. R4 picks up the loose ball in R's end zone and advances to K's 30 before being tackled. Which of the following is correct?

- a. R may advance the kick. 1<sup>st</sup> and 10 for R at K's 30
- b. Ball becomes dead when the kick is unsuccessful. 1<sup>st</sup> and 10 for R at R's 25
- c. **Ball becomes dead when the kick is unsuccessful. 1<sup>st</sup> and 10 for R at R's 20**

Fundamentals, 6.3

20. In K's free kick formation, a minimum of \_\_\_\_ K players must be on each side of the kicker?

- a. 3
- b. **4**
- c. 5

2.32.8, 6.3.4

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21. After the ready for play and before K's kickoff from K's 40, K11 is standing at K's 33. K attempts a surprise onside kick with K1 kicking the ball. Which of the following is correct?

- a. Legal play
- b. Live ball foul
- c. **Dead ball foul**

6.1.3

22. During a free kick down, K has no blocking limitations.

- a. True
- b. **False**

9.3.7

23. During K's kickoff from K's 40, K11 catches the kick at R's 35. Which of the following is correct?

- a. Legal play. K will be awarded a new series.
- b. **Kick Catch Interference foul. R will have penalty enforcement options.**

6.5.6

24. Following a fair catch or awarded fair catch, R may select to put the ball in play anywhere between the hash marks.

- a. **True**
- b. False

6.5.6

25. During a free kick, first touching may occur where in the field of play?

- a. **In the neutral zone only**
- b. Beyond the neutral zone only
- c. In or beyond the neutral zone

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26. Just prior to the snap, player B3 enters the neutral zone. What is the proper mechanic for the covering official?

- a. **Immediate and forcible use of the whistle prior to the snap. Toss the flag into the air while signaling to stop the clock. Hustle to the R to verbally report the foul.**
- b. Drop the flag at the snap and officiate the down. After the down, stop the clock and forcibly blow the whistle to notify the crew a foul occurred. Hustle to the R to verbally report the foul.

7.1.6, Mechanics

27. A may be guilty of encroachment after the ball is ready for play and the snapper has their hand(s) on the ball.

- a. **True**
- b. False

7.1.6

28. Eligible receiver A5 steps out of bounds and then returns inbounds prior to catching a legal forward pass. A5 loses receiver eligibility after stepping out of bounds.

- a. True
- b. **False**

7.5.6

29. A's formation has A55 on the end of the line. Which of the following is correct?

- a. **A55 is an ineligible receiver by number**
- b. A55 is an ineligible receiver by position
- c. A55 is an eligible receiver by number
- d. A55 is an eligible receiver by position

7.5.6

30. Contact is required for a player to be guilty of pass interference.

- a. **True**
- b. False

7.5.10

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31. The restricted area does not apply to Head Coaches.

- a. True
- b. **False**

9.8.3

32. After the play, B5 forcibly shoves A1 to the ground. Which of the following is correct?

- a. **B5 guilty of a personal foul**
- b. B5 guilty of an unsportsmanlike foul

9.4.3

33. In the first quarter, B5 is flagged for an unsportsmanlike foul. In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, B5 commits a non-flagrant dead ball personal foul. Which of the following is correct?

- a. **B's foul will be enforced from the dead ball spot. B5 is not ejected**
- b. B's foul will be enforced from the dead ball spot. B5 is ejected

9.5 Penalty

34. While trying to avoid a tackle, runner A5 grabs but does not twist prior to releasing B7's facemask. Which of the following is correct?

- a. Legal play
- b. **5-yard foul**
- c. 15-yard foul

9.4.3

35. The defense is allowed to block any offensive player below the waist without restriction.

- a. True
- b. **False**

9.3.2

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36. When should a SCHSL assigned ECO should arrive on site?

- a. At game time
- b. 30 minutes before game time
- c. 60 minutes before game time
- d. **90 minutes before game time**

Mechanics

37. When should the LJ, BJ, R, and U count their respective teams?

- a. **During every dead ball period prior to a live ball**
- b. Only following substitutions by their respective teams

Mechanics

38. In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, A5's helmet comes off after falling to the ground. Which of the following is correct?

- a. A5 may place his helmet back on and participate in the next down
- b. The covering official should send A5 off the field to sit out one down. The official does not need to stop the clock to signal an official's timeout
- c. **The covering official should send A5 off the field to sit out one down. The official should blow their whistle and stop the clock to signal an official's timeout**

3.5.10, Mechanics

39. What is the status of the ball following an illegal snap?

- a. Live
- b. **Dead**

4.1.6

40. R1 muffs K's punt at R's 40. Following the muff, the Back Judge blows their whistle. K2 immediately recovers the loose ball after the whistle. Which of the following is correct?

- a. Since K immediately recovered after the whistle, the inadvertent whistle is ignored.
- b. R has the option to take the ball at R's 40
- c. **Down must be replayed**

2.24, 2.27, 4.2.3



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41. Following A's touchdown, A is going for a 2 point try. When may A select where to snap the ball anywhere between the hash marks?

- a. **Before the ready for play**
- b. After the ready play

4.3.6

42. Which crew member approves player equipment?

- a. Referee
- b. **Umpire**
- c. Linesman
- d. Line Judge
- e. Back Judge

1.5.4, Mechanics

43. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 3 from B's 40. B5 intercepts A's pass. During the return B5 throws an illegal forward pass at B's 20. B7 catches the pass and is tackled at B's 30. Which of the following is correct?

- a. **B will be awarded a new series, 1<sup>st</sup> and 10, following penalty enforcement.**
- b. B will be awarded a new series, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10, following penalty enforcement. An illegal forward foul carries a loss of down penalty
- c. A will be awarded a new series following penalty enforcement.

5.1.1, 10.2.2, Fundamentals

44. R blocks K's kick try, and the ball is bouncing at R's 5 yard line. What is the status of the ball when K's kick is grounded?

- a. Live ball
- b. **Dead ball**

8.3.2

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45. 4<sup>th</sup> and 3 from R's 15. K's field goal attempt is blocked. No player touches the loose ball, and it comes to rest at R's 5. Which of the following is correct?
- a. Ball remained live following R's block. R awarded a new series at R's 15
  - b. Ball became dead when the kick was obviously no good. R awarded a new series at R's 15
  - c. **Ball remained live following R's block, R awarded a new series at R's 5**

6.2.7

46. How many loose ball plays may occur during a down?

- a. **1**
- b. 2

2.33, 10.3.1, Fundamentals

47. A5 commits a holding foul during the down. After the down ends, B75 slams A72 to the ground. All fouls are accepted by the offended team. Which of the following is correct?

- a. Fouls offset and down will be replayed
- b. **A's foul will be enforced followed by B's foul**
- c. B's foul will be enforced followed by A's foul

10.1.3, Fundamentals

48. Which of the following fouls does NOT include a loss of down?

- a. Illegal forward pass
- b. Illegal forward handing
- c. Illegal touching
- d. **Illegal kicking**

10.1.6

49. 4<sup>th</sup> and 17 from the 50-yard line. B is guilty of defensive pass interference at B's 25. Following enforcement, which statement is correct?

- a. A awarded a new series at B's 25
- b. A awarded a new series at B's 35
- c. **4<sup>th</sup> and 2 at B's 35**

10.1.7, 10.3.1, 10.4.2

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50. The LJ penalizes B for defensive pass interference. It is acceptable to notify the R of the foul by giving the appropriate signal downfield.
- a. True
  - b. **False**

Mechanics