

May 2019 Practice Quiz

1. A Free Kick A-35. Team A is offside. During the return, three receiving team players(25, 55, 67) group close together, shoulder to shoulder. This happens at the B-15, but they do not make any contact with kicking team players. Team B returns the kick to the B-35.

A Free Kick A-35 PC :25 Live ball fouls by each team is reported to the Referee. The fouls offset and replay the free kick down. [10-1-4]

2. A 3/5 A-20. From a shotgun formation, the Team A QB muffs the snap and the ball bounces to RB A27 who recovers it. A27, under heavy pressure, runs to his right and outside of the tackle box. From the A-15 he throws an incomplete pass which lands across the NZ with no eligible receivers in the area.

A 4/5 A-20 Snap. Because A27 is the first player to control the snap he is allowed to legal ground the ball beyond the neutral zone, if he has been outside the tackle box. [7.3.2.exc]

3. A 3/G B-30. A88 secures a pass with both hands while airborne over the endzone. He is hit in the air by B22 and falls to the ground with firm control of the ball at the B-2.

A Try B-3. The result of the play is a TD. As long as the receiver goes to the ground and completes the catch process he will be awarded the forward progress of that catch. Treat it as you would if a player had this same action at the 50 in the field of play and went to the ground at the A-47. You would rule forward progress at the 50 yard line. [5.1.3 exc. 1 AR 8.5.1.I]

4. A 2/5 B-30. Team A sends in a substitute with 5 seconds left on the play clock. While the umpire is preventing the snap and Team B is substituting the play clock runs out. This is the second time this has occurred for Team A during the game.

A 2/20 B-45 Ready. Dead-Ball foul for Team UNS. Second or more offenses equals Team UNS [3.5.2.e]

5. A 3/10 A-40. Ball carrier, A22, runs off tackle and is 15 yards ahead of all players. At the B-1 he drops the ball and runs into the endzone. The ball bounces into the endzone and comes to rest there. The SJ blows his whistle and signals TD. (Game involving IR)

A 1/G B-1 Ready. The result of the play was a TD. This play is reviewable because of a potential TD and a players forward progress, spot of fumble in relation to the GL. Since the official signaled TD and no player recovered the loose ball, since replay has IVE that the ball was fumbled prior to the GL the ball will be brought back to the spot of the fumble. The GC will start on the RS because the ruling of TD was reversed. [12.3.3.e, IR play# 136 pg. 77 IR Case Book]

6. A 4/4 B-44. A7 takes the snap turns to execute a read option play and gives the ball to A26. After A7 fakes his run, he is tackled by DE B90. The LJ blows his whistle thinking A7 had the ball when he was tackled. The HL drops a beanbag, at the B-41, to mark the location of the ballcarrier when the whistle was blown.

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A 4/4 B-44 Ready Live ball caused dead because of IW. Team in possession has 2 options. Put the ball in play where declared dead, or replay the down. Best choice would be replay the down because Team A was short of the line to gain when the ball was declared dead.

[4.1.2.b.1, 3.3.2.e.6]

7. A 2/7 B-34. A7 throws a pass to A80. At the B-28 he attempts to catch the pass and B29 launches and hits A80 high and before the ball arrives. The pass falls incomplete. The SJ has a flag down for DPI w/TGT. Replay confirms there is no TGT because the forcible contact is to A80's shoulder.

A 1/10 B-28 Snap. Fouls coupled with TGT are enforced if the TGT is not confirmed or stands. So the DPI will be enforced as per DPI enforcement [7.3.8.c]

8. A 3/G B-3. 1st possession series in OT. A9 throws a pass to A88 in the EZ. Prior to the pass arriving, B22 hooks and turns A88. The pass falls incomplete.

A 1/G B-2. The ball is placed at the 2 yard line, at the same ball position as the previous spot, because the ball was snapped between the B-17 and B-2 yard lines. The half the distance penalty enforcement only applies on the try when the ball is snapped from the B-3. [7-3-8-c]

9. A 2/G B-12. A22 receives the handoff and runs for a touchdown. After the score, B25 is called for a late hit on A22. The LJ has a flag for holding at the B-14.

A 1/10 B-11 Snap. There are two fouls on the play. Enforce the live ball holding foul from the previous spot. Enforce the dead ball personal foul half the distance to the goal with and automatic 1st down. The line to gains is now established 10 yards ahead. [5.1.2.b]

10. A 4/10 50. A1 punts a directional kick toward the right pylon. B1 signals at the B-10 and runs away from the kick. The ball lands at the B-4 and bounds toward the GL. A2 runs close to the sideline and dives from the B-4. While airborne he bats the ball while it's over the GL. The ball goes into the field of play, and OOB at the B-5. The SJ has a flag on the ground for A2 going OOB and returning inbounds. Team A is flagged for 5 players in the backfield at the snap. Video shows that A2's right foot was still on the sideline as he dove to make a play on the ball.

B 1/10 B-25 Snap. This play is reviewable. Pick up the flag for kicking team player returning from out of bounds. Result of the play is an out of bounds A player touching the kick in the endzone; touchback. We can now enforce the illegal formation penalty from the touchback spot. Note had this been illegal touching of a kick, although the ball is awarded to team B at the 20, we cannot tack on A's penalties here. [4.2.1, 4.2.3,8.6.1.a]

11. A 2/10 B-25. A37 runs to the B-16 where he is downed inbounds. With 1:33 remaining in QTR 2, the officials stop the game due injuries to three defensive players; B-29, B-94, and B-10. Team A calls a Time Out. After the TO, the Team B coach wants to re-enter all three injured players due to the TO called by Team A.

A 3/1 B-16 Snap PC :40. Injured players must remain out for 1 down, Team TO's only buy back in helmets off, The play clock is set to :40 for Injuries of the defensive Team [3.3.5.e,3.3.5.a], Note: With the clock starting on the snap following the Team A TO, some may set the play clock to :25.

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12. A 2/10 A-22. Just after the snap, right guard A65 tries to cut block the nose guard. Instead his initial contact is from behind at the calf. The block occurs in the NZ while the ball was still in the blocking zone. A10 runs the ball to the A-25 where he is tackled.

A 2/21 A-11 Ready. Although the offense line is allowed to clip in the blocking zone, the can never block from behind, below the knee. [9.1.5.exc.1.a]

13. A FK A-35. During the kick, A49 accidentally steps OOB at the B-40. B22 catches the kick at the B-5 and runs to the A-10 where he is tackled by A49 at the hash marks . During the return B55 blocks below the waist at the A-20.

B 1/10 A-35 Snap. There are 2 live ball fouls during the down. Team B would most likely refuse offsetting fouls because their foul occurred after the change of team possession. Team B can decline Team A's foul for a kicking team player going OOB during the down, and retain possession after enforcement of its foul. [10.1.4.exc]

14. A 3/10 B-32. A1 throws a pass that is intercepted in the back of the end zone by B22. As B22 is running around the trying to escape, B55 is flagged for holding at the B-14. B22 fumbles the ball from the endzone into the field of play. The ball is recovered at the B-5 by B55 and is declared dead there.

B Free Kick B-20. Safety. There is a change of possession in the end zone. The foul occurred during the fumble, so the related run ended in the endzone. The result of the play is NOT a touchback. The basic spot in this case is the goal line. This penalty falls under 3 and 1 enforcement. The team in possession fouled beyond the basic spot, so the enforcement spot becomes the goal line. [10.2.2.d.2c, 10.2.2.c]

15. A 4/10 A-40. A9's punt attempt is blocked. The ball is loose in the side zone. A9 is running after the ball. As B55 approaches the ball A9 bats the ball at the A-35 and the ball goes OOB at the A-45.

B 1/10 A-35. The result of the play is a kick that goes out of bounds beyond the neutral zone. The forward bat by A9 is illegal, but does not change the status of the ball (i.e. it is still a kick). Because the scrimmage kick went beyond the NZ we have a couple of options. Team B will choose to keep the ball and enforce from the spot where the ball belongs to Team B. The other option would be to enforce from the previous spot and repeat the down. [6.3.13]

16. A FK A-35. A9 attempts an onside kick. A35 is offside prior to the kick. A88 recovers the kick at the A-44.

B 1/10 A-39. Team A is in possession of the ball at the end of the down. Team A is however not in legal possession and the have committed a violation for illegal touching of a kick. Team A was also offside prior to the kick, which is a live ball foul. Team B has a multitude of options with 1 likely. Put the ball in play at any spot of illegal touching (A-44), enforce the 5 yard penalty from the previous spot and replay the free kick down, or the obvious choice is to enforce the 5 yard penalty from the subsequent dead ball spot which belongs to Team B. Because Team A is not in legal possession at the A-44, the ball belongs to Team B there. Thus that is an enforcement spot. [6.1.3, 6.1.2.c.1, 6.1.8]

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17. A 2/15 B-45. 4th Quarter. Score A7-B10. No timeouts for Team A. A3 catches a screen pass near the line of scrimmage with blockers in front. He runs to the B-35 where he is tackled inbounds with :20 on the game clock. The LJ has a flag down for ineligible players downfield (IDP), ruling that the pass was first touched beyond the NZ. Replay has video evidence that the pass was first touched at or behind the NZ.

A 3/5 B-35 Ready. This is only reviewable with an announcement. This will be reversed to pass touched at or behind the NZ and a flag wave off. In addition, with the replay review results in the on field ruling being reversed, and the correct ruling would not have stopped the game clock, the game clock will be set to the proper time the ball is declared dead by replay (in this scenario the clock is at the proper time), then we would subtract :10 seconds and start the GC on the RFP signal. [12.3.2, 7.1.10, 12.3.6.c]

18. A 3/8 A-40. RB A20 runs to side zone and fumbles the ball at the A-46. B29 recovers the loose ball at the 50 while prone on the ground. There is video evidence that B29's foot was touching the side line when he secured the ball.

A 4/2 A-46 Ready. Reviewable play. This ends up being a forward fumble OOB because an out of bounds player touched the ball. Return to the spot of the fumble. [4.2.1, 4.2.3, 7.2.4.b]

19. A 2/9 A-40. A14 drops back to pass and throws a fade down the left side of the field. As the pass is approaching, A80 leaps to make the catch. He leaves the ground with his left foot touching the sideline. While airborne A80 grasps the ball and comes down in the FOP at the B-35 and is tackled there.

A 3/9 A-40 Snap. A80 is still considered to be out of bounds until he establishes himself as inbounds. Therefore, this is a pass touched by an out of bounds player; incomplete pass [7.3.7, 4.2.1.b]

20. 1st extra period, first possession series. 4/10 B-25. B23 is standing in the end zone and leaps to bat the field goal attempt away from the cross bar. The ball bounces in the end zone where B23 recovers and returns the ball to the A-30, where he goes out of bounds.

A 1/10 B-15. B23 commits an illegal batting foul prior to change of team possession. Since there is no PSK enforcement in OT the only possible enforcement spot is the previous spot (foul occurring during a kick play). 10 yards results in a 1st down. [9.4.1, 10.1.3.b.1]

21. A 2/6 B-30. A6 completes a pass to A80 at the B-20. As he breaks up the seam, B30 is trailing him and at the B-5 punches the ball out. The ball goes into the EZ and B29 bats the ball out of the EZ over the EL.

A 1/G B-2.5 Snap. The result of this play is a touchback. However, B committed an illegal batting foul in the end zone during the fumble. Enforce half the distance from the end of the run. The result is a first down. [9.4.1, 10.2.2.c]

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22. A 2/8 B-34. A7's pass is intercepted at the B-3 by B20. His original momentum carries him into his EZ. A80 tackles B20 in the EZ by grabbing and twisting his face mask. B20 stands up and spins the ball on the ground next to A80.

B 1/10 B-9. B20's momentum takes him into the end zone where the ball becomes dead. So the end of B20's run is the momentum spot. A's facemask foul is enforced from there B-3. B20's dead ball UNS is enforced half the distance from the B-18. B20's UNS counter is increased by 1. [8.5.1.exc, 9.2.1]

23. A 4/5 at 50. A9's punt bounces at the B-3 near the sideline. A2, who is running near the sideline, steps out of bounds and returns inbounds at the B-4. He then reaches over the goal line and bats the airborne ball causing it to hit the pylon.

B 1/10 B-25 Snap. Result of the play is a touchback. Pylon is out of bounds in the endzone. The 5 yard penalty for Team A's foul (returning from out of bounds) will be enforced from the B-20. [8.6.1, 6.3.12, 6.3.13]

24. A Free Kick at A-35. After an onside kick, A1 is near the A-45 when he bats the ball. The ball bounces off of B2's leg at the A-47 and is recovered by A2 at the A-44. The SJ has a bean bag down for illegal touching by A1 at the A-44. There are no flags on the play. There is indisputable video evidence that the ball was batted forward from the A-45.

A 1/10 A-44 Snap. The location of the touch by A1 is reviewable. However the bat is not. So there is no illegal touching by Team A. Team A is in legal possession at the end of the down because the kick went 10 yards. [12.3.4.a, 6.1.3]

25. A 2/2 A-44. A5 receives the snap and is about to throw a pass from the A-37 when he is hit. The ball hits the ground and is recovered by B77 while grounded at the A-35. Replay has indisputable video evidence that the passers hand started forward with firm control of the ball.

A 3/2 A-44 Snap. This is reviewable and will be reversed to an incomplete forward pass. 3rd down. [12.3.2]

26. A 2/4 B-35. Prior to the snap, defensive lineman B65 abruptly jerks his arms upward and then shifts to his right along the LOS, never entering the NZ. A67 subsequently falls forward from his stance and then B65 enters the NZ and shoves A67 back.

A 1/10 B-30 Ready Delay of game foul on the defense for making an exaggerated movement design to cause a false start. After penalty enforcement its 1st down. [7.1.5.a.4]

27. A 4/6 B-19. 1st Possession Series in OT. A5 attempts a FG. The kick is blocked at the B-18. The ball lands at the B-11. B20 picks up the ball at the B-10 and returns it 90 yards across Team A's GL.

TD. Game Over. [3.1.3.f]

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28. A Safety Free Kick A-20. After the RFP signal, A9 is standing at the A-15. A9 starts forward and punts the ball from the A-18. A44 is at the A-20 (but not beyond) at the time of the kick. B2 receives the kick at the B-40 and runs out of bounds at the 50.

B 1/10 50 Snap. This one has interesting rule book language. 6.1.2.c says, "When the ball is kicked: 1. Each Team A player, except the holder and kicker of a place kick, must be behind the ball." A Free Kick after a safety can be from behind Team A's restraining line. In this case A44 is in front of the ball when it is kicked, but behind the restraining line. So is this a foul? On the field, we would not throw a flag, we just thought this was interesting language in the book.

29. A 2/9 B-43, A7 takes quick 1 step drop and throws a screen from the B-44 to A16 in the right flat. While A16 is standing at the B-45, DB B24 tackles A88 by wrapping him up around the thigh at the B-45 just before the ball arrives. The ball rolls OOB at the B-47.

A 1/10 B-28 Snap. The result of the play is a backward pass out of bounds. A-16 is in position to receive a backward pass and is tackled below the waist. The basic spot is the previous spot because the related run ends behind the neutral zone. Enforce 15 yards from this spot. Automatic 1st down for B personal foul. [9.1.6.b.2, 10.2.2.c & d.1]

30. A 2/8 B-34. A7's pass is intercepted at the B-3 by B-20. His original momentum carries him into his EZ. B20 is attempting to run the ball out of the EZ and A80 grabs and twists the face mask of B20 causing him to fumble. The fumble goes into the FOP and is recovered by A76 who runs the ball into B's EZ. As A76 is standing on the end line he gives the "ssshhh" sign to the crowd, B90 shoves A76 to the ground face first

B 1/10 B-15 Snap. Original momentum takes B20 into the end zone, however he fumbles the ball into the field of play. Therefore the "momentum" rule does not apply. We do have a change of possession in the field of play and related run ends in the endzone. The basic spot is the goal line. Enforce the live ball facemask penalty 15 yards from the goal line. The two UNS penalties cancel. UNS counter increased for A76 and B90. [8.5.1.exc, 10.2.2.d.2.b, 10.1.5]