

Interactive Presentation of Rule 1

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The Game, Field, Players, and Equipment

THE GAME

A team may play with _____ than 11 players but is _____ if the following requirements are not met:

At least _____ Team A players are on _____ of the kicker when the ball is free-kicked (*Rule 6-1-2*).

At the snap, at least _____ men are on the offensive scrimmage line, and at least _____ are numbered 50 through 79. (*Rule 2-21-2, 2-27-4 and 7-1-3—b-1*) (*Exceptions: Rule 1-4-2-b*) (*A.R. 1-4-2-I-V*).

Winning Team and Final Score

The game is ended and the score is final when _____.

Team Captains

Each team shall designate to the referee _____ or more players as its field captain(s), and one player at a time shall speak for his team with the officials. There shall be no more than _____ captains from each team at the coin toss.

A field captain's announced choice of any options offered to his team shall be _____.

_____ player may request a team charged timeout.

Persons Subject to the Rules

As stated in the rules, there are 10 specific individuals and/or groups that are subject to these rules. Can you name seven of them? _____

THE FIELD

Dimensions

What is the width of all field-dimension lines? _____

Can you name the two exceptions? _____

A solid white area between the sideline and the _____ line is mandatory.

What is the distance from the sideline to the hash marks? _____

Oxymoron's question of this presentation – How far is the nine-yard marks from the sideline? _____

Team Area and Coaching Box

On each side of the field, from the __ yardline to the __ yardline is designated the team area in back of the _____ line. The coaching line is _____ yards from the sideline to the _____ line from the __ yardline to the __ yardline on each side of the field. The is know as the _____.

Goals

What is the maximum height of an upright? _____

What color(s) may they be? _____

What is the width between the uprights? _____

Pylons

When the field is properly marked, what is the total number of pylons used on a regulation football field? _____

Where are they placed? _____

Line-to-gain Indicators

The distance between the rods of the indicators is ten yards. Where are they measured from? _____

Any other device used to measure the line-to-gain shall be used when the _____.

All indicators shall have _____ ends.

The Field

No material or device shall be used to _____ or _____ the playing surface or other conditions and give one player or team an _____. (Exceptions: 2-15-4b and c).

Penalty – Penalize under Rule 9-3-2-c Referee’s discretion [S27].

THE BALL

Specifications

What are the specifications requirements of the ball?

Length: _____

Both circumferences: _____

Inflation pressure: _____

Weight: _____

Can anything be used to the ball to dry it? _____ If yes, what is it?

Administration and Enforcement

Balls have to be submitted _____ minutes before the game.

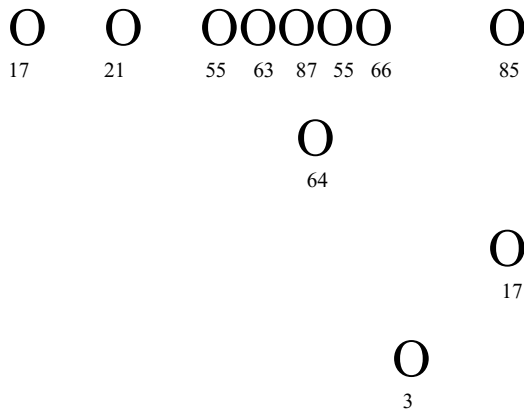
Who is responsible for the legality of the ball before it is put into play?

PLAYERS AND PLAYER EQUIPMENT

Player Numbering

On a scrimmage down, at least _____ offensive players are on the line of scrimmage shall be numbered 50 through 79 (**Exception:** During a scrimmage kick formation, a player, who by his initial position on the line of scrimmage, is an exception to the 50-79 mandatory numbering remains an _____ receiver during the down until a legal forward pass is _____ by a Team B player. He must be positioned on the line of scrimmage and between the _____ _____ on the line of scrimmage. The ineligible receivers (interior linemen) are identified when the snapper assume his position and touches or simulates touching the ball. A player remains an ineligible receiver and is an _____ to the 50-79 mandatory numbering until the down is over, a timeout is _____ to a team or the referee, or the _____ ends). (*A.R. 1-4-2-I, IV*) [S19].

Team A's ball for the try on B3's yardline. The LOS looks like this before the one point try is attempted:



- Play 1) A85, the snapper, does not touch the ball and the players on the LOS shift to a balanced formation and kick a successful try. Is the play legal?
- Play 2) Same as play 1, but this time before the shift, A85 rotates the ball so the laces are at the 3 o'clock position. The players on the LOS then shift to a balanced formation. Legal?

Contrasting Colors

May the home team wear white jerseys?

If gloves are worn they must be _____ in color.

Mandatory Equipment

A player of Team A has number 89 on his jersey and 56 on his helmet. Legal?

After A89 puts on his helmet (with #89) he enters the game with a clear mouthpiece tethered from his facemask. Legal?

Violation of the mandatory equipment rule calls for what?

Illegal Equipment

A player comes to you and asks you to certify the cast that he is wearing. The casts has ½" closed-cell, slow recovery foam covering it. Legal?

During the game, you notice, while A45 gets off the ground after being tackled for a 12 yard gain, that the cleats on his shoes appear quite long (more than ½"). Legal? What is the penalty, if any?

B56 is wearing arm pads (rubber coating) that cover his forearms and elbows. Legal? What is the penalty, if any?

On the opening kickoff of the game, two team A players have legal towels on the front of their belts. Legal?

If all of a teams charged timeouts have been exhausted and there is an equipment violation, what is the enforcement?

Coaches Certification

What does the coach or his designated representative certify to the umpire prior to the game?

Coaches' Phones

Are coaches head phones subject to the rules?

Use of Tobacco

Before the game, a game official notices that an assistant coach is smoking in the team area. Legal? If not, what is the penalty?

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A team may be play with fewer than 11 players but is penalized if the following requirements are not met:

At least four Team A players are each of the kicker when the ball is free-kicked (*Rule 6-1-2*).

At the snap, at least seven men are on the offensive scrimmage line, and at least five are numbered 50 through 79. (*Rule 2-21-2, 2-27-4 and 7-1-3—b-1*) (**Exceptions:** *Rule 1-4-2-b*) (*A.R. 1-4-2-I-V*).

Winning Team and Final Score

The game is ended and the score is final when referee so declares.

Team Captains

Each team shall designate to the referee one or more players as its field captain(s), and one player at a time shall speak for his team with the officials. There shall be no more than four captains from each team at the coin toss.

A field captain's announced choice of any options offered to his team shall be irrevocable.

Any player may request a team charged timeout.

Persons Subject to the Rules

As stated in the rules, there are 10 specific individuals and/or groups that are subject to these rules. Can you name seven of them? Players, substitutes, replaced players, coaches, trainers, cheerleaders in uniform, mascots in uniform, commercial mascots, public address announcers and other persons affiliated with the team.

THE FIELD

Dimensions

What is the width of all field-dimension lines? Four inches.
Can you name the two exceptions? Sidelines and endlines.

A solid white area between the sideline and the coaching line is mandatory.

What is the distance from the sideline to the hash marks? Sixty feet.

Oxymoron's question of this presentation – How far is the nine-yard marks from the sideline? Nine yards.

Team Area and Coaching Box

On each side of the field, from the 25 yardline to the 25 yardline is designated the team area in back of the coaching line. The coaching line is two yards from the sideline to the limit line from the 25 yardline to the 25 yardline on each side of the field. This is known as the team area.

Goals

What is the maximum height of an upright? 30 feet above the ground.
What color(s) may they be? White or yellow.
What is the width between the uprights? 18 feet 6 inches.

Pylons

When the field is properly marked, what is the total number of pylons used on a regulation football field? Twelve.

Where are they placed? On the inside corners of the eight intersections of the sidelines and goal lines and end lines and the intersections of the end lines and in-bound lines extended.

Line-to-gain Indicators

The distance between the rods of the indicators is ten yards. Where are they measured from? Inside edges of the rods.

Any other device used to measure the line-to-gain shall be used when the teams mutually agree.

All indicators shall have flat ends.

The Field

No material or device shall be used to improve or degrade the playing surface or other conditions and give one player or team an advantage (Exceptions:2-15-4b and c).

Penalty – Penalize under Rule 9-3-2-c Referee’s discretion [S27].

THE BALL

Specifications

What are the specifications requirements of the ball?

Length: 11.15625 ± 0.28125

Both circumferences: Long axis is 28.125 ± 0.375; Short axis is 21.0 ± 0.25 inches.

Inflation pressure: 13 ± 0.5 pounds.

Weight: 14.5 ± 0.5 pounds.

Can anything be used to the ball to dry it? Yes If yes, what is it? A towel.

Administration and Enforcement

Balls have to be submitted 60 minutes before the game.

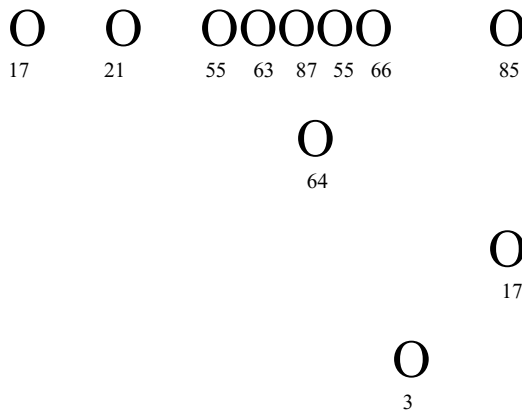
Who is responsible for the legality of the ball before it is put into play? Referee and umpire.

PLAYERS AND PLAYER EQUIPMENT

Player Numbering

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Play 1) A85, the snapper, does not touch the ball and the players on the LOS shift to a balanced formation and kick a successful try. Is the play legal? **Yes.**

Play 2) Same as play 1, but this time before the shift, A85 rotates the ball so the laces are at the 3 o'clock position. The players on the LOS then shift to a balanced formation. Legal? **No. Live ball foul at the snap.**

Contrasting Colors

May the home team wear white jerseys? **Yes**

If gloves are worn they must be **gray** in color.

Mandatory Equipment

A player of Team A has number 89 on his jersey and 56 on his helmet. Legal? No.

After A89 puts on his helmet (with #89) he enters the game with a clear mouthpiece tethered from his facemask. Legal? No

Violation of the mandatory equipment rule calls for what? Team charged timeout. If there are no team timeouts available, a five yard penalty at the succeeding spot. (NOTE: This violation does not offset a foul by an opponent.)

Illegal Equipment

A player comes to you and asks you to certify the cast that he is wearing. The casts has ½” closed-cell, slow recovery foam covering it. Legal? Yes.

During the game, you notice, while A45 gets off the ground after being tackled for a 12 yard gain, that the cleats on his shoes appear quite long (more than ½”). Legal? What is the penalty, if any? No. The player is disqualified for the remainder of the game and the next game. Team charged time out. If no timeouts unavailable, five yard penalty at the succeeding spot. Not an automatic 1st down if foul is by Team B.

B56 is wearing arm pads (rubber coating) that cover his forearms and elbows. Legal? What is the penalty, if any? No. Team timeout charged. If no team timeouts available a five yard penalty is assessed at the succeeding spot.

On the opening kickoff of the game, two team A players have legal towels on the front of their belts. Legal? No. Team timeout charged. If no team timeouts available a five yard penalty is assessed at the succeeding spot.

If all of a teams charged timeouts have been exhausted and there is an equipment violation, what is the enforcement? If no team timeouts available a five yard penalty is assessed at the succeeding spot.

Coaches Certification

What does the coach or his designated representative certify to the umpire prior to the game? The coaches certify to the umpire that he knows what mandatory equipment is; he has provided his player with mandatory equipment; he has instructed the players to wear mandatory equipment; he will be notified of illegal equipment through play.

Coaches' Phones

Are coaches head phones subject to the rules? No.

Use of Tobacco

Before the game, a game official notices that an assistant coach is smoking in the team area. Legal? If not, what is the penalty? No. *The coach is disqualified from the contest.*