

2015 Week #8 Quiz Rulings

Ruling 1: *A 4/21 A-39.* Team B is not in possession when the down ends. Team B will accept the penalty. The 15-yard penalty for A56's personal foul is enforced from the previous spot, B's 46. Team B could elect to take the ball at the spot of illegal touching. It would be B 1/10 B-3. Not likely.

Ruling 2: *A retry @ B-3.* Both teams foul during the down. Team B fouled before a change of team possession. The fouls offset, all penalties are cancelled and replay the down. DQ A66.

Ruling 3: *A 1/Goal B-5.* Penalties for personal fouls by Team B during a completed legal forward pass play are enforced at the end of the last run when it ends beyond the neutral zone (7-3-12). The penalty enforcement would be the same if any Team B player committed a personal foul during the down.

Ruling 4: *B 1/25 B-45.* Disqualify B44. The 15-yard penalty for B44's first noncontact foul, carrying the ball off the field, is enforced from the succeeding spot, A's 25. This makes it B 1/10 A40 and establishes the line to gain on B's 30 when the ball is declared ready for play. The 15-yard penalty for B44's second noncontact foul, abusive language, is enforced from the succeeding spot, A's 40.

Ruling 5: *A 2/19 B29.* Offensive pass interference. The pass is legal since the passer received the snap, was out of the tackle box when he passed the ball and the ball landed beyond the neutral zone. Thus, eligible receiver A88 must avoid opponents beyond the neutral zone. The 15-yard penalty for the offensive pass interference is enforced from the previous spot, B's 14. If the ball landed behind the neutral zone, it would be an illegal forward pass and there would be no pass interference. Note: Common sense is a must in football officiating. However, overlooking a foul on this play is equivalent to penalizing the defense.

Ruling 6: *Game ends. The final score is A27-B28.* The result of the play is a safety. However, A82 committed an illegal touching violation on B's 9. Team B elects to take the ball at the spot of the violation. There is no reason to extend the period. If A82 did not touch the ball, Team A would be awarded one point and the game would go into an extra period.

Ruling 7: *Touchdown. The game ends with the final score A31-B28.* Since Team A is in a scrimmage kick formation and it is reasonable that a scrimmage kick will be attempted, the five linemen numbered 50-79 requirement is waived. The interior linemen are numbering exceptions and ineligible receivers. The players on the end of the line are eligible receivers unless they are numbered 50-79. There is no need to play the try since one team is ahead by more than two points.