

# 2018 REPLAY CHANGE REQUEST

**REPLAY: BALL CARRIER SIMULATES KNEE DOWN (Case Play 21a)**

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**RULE 12-3-3-c: Case Book Page 6.**

**RULE 4-1-3-o: Page FR-58**

**CASE PLAY 21a: Case Book Page 51.**

## **INTERPRETATION CHANGE:**

**Rule 12-3-3-c (no change): Live ball ruled dead in possession of a ball carrier.**

**Case Play 21a (new): Third and 5 on the A-35. The score is tied. A16 takes the snap and simulates placing his knee on the ground on A's 33. A16 rises and throws a completed pass to A22 who scores.**

**RULING (current): Unknown, but likely reviewable based on 12-3-3-c.**

**RULING (update): Reviewable. Fourth and 7 on the A-33.**

## **INTENT:**

**[1] This should be considered a common sense interpretation. Rule 4-1-3-o indicates that the ball becomes dead when a ball carrier simulates placing his knee on the ground.**

**[2] The replay official must have the evidence. If the Referee disagrees ..... the Referee has the bat and ball.**

**[3] This play could occur as time expired in a high profile game with the score tied. This could again result in a conference office issuing a press release that the call on the field was correct (ball remains a live ball) when, in fact, one team got the shaft.**

**SOURCE: Rom Gilbert [8/23/17] ..... (rc18-ir21a)**

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