



2010 - 2011 TACKLE RULE CHANGES FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION

The following rule changes, approved during the 2010 Tackle Rules Committee Meeting, are for immediate distribution and implementation. They will be added to the next printed edition of the Rule Book due in May 2010.

2009 CHANGE

RULE 8 SECTION 5 ARTICLE 1

ADD THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH;

The distance penalties for Unnecessary Roughness and Rough Play will be applied in addition to the advantage of distance gained and score made. In addition to the distance, an automatic first down will be awarded to Team A for Unnecessary Roughness or Rough Play by Team B, unless it is part of a dual penalty where both infractions are UR or RP. **The normal restrictions near the goal line do NOT apply to Unnecessary Roughness and Rough Play. The 15 yard penalty applied from the 16 yard line or closer will take the ball to the 1 yard line**

2010 CHANGES

CODE OF ETHICS

All amateur leagues are expected to abide by the rules outlined within this rule book. If or when league wish to deviate from these rules it is the expectation that they will do so only after consultation from the appropriate officials group and Provincial Sport Organization (local, provincial or national).

Members of the football community need to be proactive when it comes to decisions regarding rule interpretation and/or enforcement. Such concerns whenever possible should be expressed prior to the start of a football season or prior to the game venue.

The ultimate success of the principles and standards of this Code depends on the football coaches.

RULE 1 SECTION 5 ARTICLE 1

j) **added:** Following a time out or after the 3 minute warning and the game clock is being held from the previous play, and the play is stopped for a procedural penalty by either Team, the game clock shall be held until the snap of the ball whether the yardage is accepted or not.

RULE 1 SECTION 8 ARTICLE 1

h) **In the open field of play, any part of the ball carrier** other than his hands or feet touches the ground, even without contact by an opponent. The Ball shall be dead AT THE POINT WHERE IT WAS HELD when the ball carrier touched the ground. **If the ball carrier is utilizing the bodies of other players to advance the ball, it shall be declared dead.**



RULE 1 SECTION 10 ARTICLE 8

Penalty: Team A 1,2D L10 PLS PP PF or PBH-DR
3D DG L10 PLS PP PF or PBH-DR
3D DNG LB-PBD
L10 PP PF or PBH

RULE 1 SECTION 11 ARTICLE 1

a) No player shall wear equipment of any kind which may injure the opponent. The Referee may have removed from the game any player who is wearing equipment which in his opinion endangers a participant.

8) added: Items 1), 2), 3), and 4) must be covered by the pants or jersey.

RULE 1 SECTION 11 ARTICLE 2

b) All eye shields (visors) must be clear. **Coloured or tinted eye shields (visors) are illegal unless medical certification from a registered OPHTHALMOLOGIST is presented.**

RULE 5 SECTION 1 (E)

e) A dribbled ball is made by kicking the ball when it is loose (not in possession of any player). A dribbled ball shall be considered to be an "offside pass" and the non offending team shall have the option of returning the ball to the origin of the kick, downs continued or take the play.

RULE 7 SECTION 3 ARTICLE 13 – HORSE COLLAR TACKLE

Grasping an opponent by the inside of the shoulder pads or by the inside collar of the jersey and using this as the primary means of causing a sudden change in the ball carrier's direction shall be rules as Unnecessary Roughness.

RULE 8 SECTION 2 ARTICLE 4

a) Kick – If either team commits a foul while the ball is «in flight,» the penalty shall be applied at the point of possession by the team which legally gains possession. Those penalties which are normally applied without option may be applied at PBD at the option of the non-offending team.

b) Loose Ball – If the foul directly affects the recovery of the ball, the ball will be awarded to the non-offending team at the PF., automatic 1st down.

Last paragraph deleted

RULE 8 SECTION 6 ARTICLE 2

h) added: In balancing dual penalties, Unnecessary Roughness will always be a 15 yard penalty; however the balanced application may be restricted.

Example: Team A 2D-10 on B8. A1 goes offside, B1 is called for U.R.

Ruling: A offside – 5 yards B UR 15 yards difference is 10. Application is restricted A 1D-Goal on B4.



CASE BOOK CORRECTIONS

RULE - 1

3-6-1 Ruling A – 1D – Goal at B8

RULE - 3

2-4-4 / 2-4-5 Change 10yard line to 20 yard line

RULE - 6

4-11-2 Ruling: Change 25 yard line to 35 yard line

RULE - 8

3-1-1 Delete Reference to Restricted. Add A-1D-goal at B1

3.1.2 Delete Reference to restricted. Add A-1D – goal at B1

4.1.1 Change B10 to B1 (last line)

5.7.2 Ruling: 1st line, remove “restricted”. Change A12 to A9

- Line 2 – Remove Restricted

Change A10 to A5

6.3.5 Change 2 ½ to 1

6.3.10 Delete Ruling Add: Dual Penalty, no score repeat down at P.L.S.