



2013 TACKLE RULE CHANGES FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION

The following rule changes, clarifications and corrections, approved by the Tackle Rules Committee, are for immediate distribution and implementation. (***The changes are italicized and in bold type***). They will be added to the next printed edition of the Rule Book due in May 2014.

CHANGES

RULE 1 SECTION 8 ARTICLE 1h page 7

Replace statement with

- 2) Goes to one or both knees in attempting to ***field a kicked ball*** from an opponent, provided such action is part of the attempt to ***field*** the ball. ***Exception a dribbled ball***
- 3) Goes to one or both knees in attempting to ***field*** the ball on a snap from center, provided such action is part of the attempt to ***field*** the ball.

RULE 6 SECTION 3 ARTICLE 4 page 36

Remove

- 7) Recovered by an opponent.***

RULE MODIFICATIONS 10 OR 12 A SIDE FOOTBALL Page 56

Replace Paragraph 1 with

The following rule modifications are recommended for implementation in the **2013** season. After the **2013** season a review to ensure clarity of the modifications will be undertaken with an anticipated full implementation of the modifications for the **2014** season.

SIGNALS

Add

New signal for Too Many Men

Two hands patting top of head

Clarifications

RULE 4 SECTION 3 ARTICLE 2 page 23

If team A is playing with less than 12 players on the field, it may reduce the equivalent number of players on the line without penalty. Players on the line are the five ineligible and the two eligible one at each end. **Therefore if team A had 11 players and had 5 ineligible and 1 eligible, this would not be a penalty.**

RULE 5 SECTION 2 ARTICLE 3 page 27

The ball must be kicked at least 10 yards toward the opponents' goal, unless it is touched first by an opponent. **If the ball touches the ground beyond the 10 yards it has been deemed to have been kicked 10 yards even if it rolls backwards after making contact.**

RULE 5 SECTION 4 ARTICLE 2 e page 31

If an offside player is within the restraining zone, no onside player may legally recover the ball, provided that there is at least one player of the receiving team within the restraining zone when the ball is first touched. **Penalty for this would be Team B ball with 5 yards for no yards applied.**

Corrections

RULE 1 SECTION 11 ARTICLE 1 page 10

Add

Penalty c): Loss of 5 yards from point where the ball would have been put into play, if no other foul had occurred, or added to the penalty for any other foul. The offending player shall be removed from the game until the illegal equipment is replaced. Immediate substitution will be made, but the game shall not be delayed. If more than 1 player offends on the same play, only 1 penalty L5 will be applied for that play. Fouls on subsequent plays will be penalized in the same way – L5 on each play where 1 or more players offend.

RULE 1 SECTION 11 ARTICLE 2 page 11

Move the sentence that is under g) to under e)

“Penalty: 1,2D – L5 DR, 3D DG – I5 DR, 3D DNG – LB PBD.”

RULE 3 SECTION 1 ARTICLE 1 page 19

Change sentence “after a field goal....” to after a touchdown....