

2016 CFOA Rules Test

1. The referee may call an official's timeout to allow guard A66 time to put on his kicking shoe.
A. True
B. False
2. On third down in the second period, A21 is tackled by the facemask inbounds. After enforcement, two seconds remain. The clock is properly started on the ready. If time expires prior to the next snap, Team A is entitled to an untimed down.
A. True
B. False
3. During an official's timeout for injury, players of the opposing team may go outside the nine-yard marks to have a conference with multiple coaches.
A. True
B. False
4. If the ball slips out of A55's hand when he double pumps the snap and B98 recovers, the ball belongs to Team B.
A. True
B. False
5. A quarterback who has placed his hands under the snapper may not shift.
A. True
B. False
6. An airborne player who has control of the ball and lands simultaneously on both feet, one inbounds and the other out of bounds, has made a catch.
A. True
B. False
7. The snapper cannot be an eligible pass receiver.
A. True
B. False
8. A punt that crosses the neutral zone and is recovered behind the line may be advanced by either team.
A. True
B. False
9. On a kickoff, if K84 catches a short, high kick ("pooch" kick) beyond the neutral zone, it is kick-catching interference.
A. True
B. False

10. A22 receives a slightly forward pass in the backfield and throws a second forward pass to A80 near midfield. B21 contacts A80 before the ball arrives, the fouls offset.
 - A. True
 - B. False
11. A player who is an eligible receiver at the snap and who intentionally goes out-of-bounds becomes ineligible.
 - A. True
 - B. False
12. On third down, a new series is awarded to Team R if K20 recovers a blocked punt behind the line and is downed there.
 - A. True
 - B. False
13. A new series is always awarded to Team K if a blocked punt travels beyond the line and K20 recovers it behind the line and is downed there.
 - A. True
 - B. False
14. On a run up the middle, nose guard B96 is held (grab and restrict) by A55. As the runner A22 passes by B96's left, B96 sticks his foot out to trip A22. The fouls will offset.
 - A. True
 - B. False
15. A head coach is disqualified by rule if he receives an unsportsmanlike conduct foul and any of his assistants receive an unsportsmanlike conduct foul.
 - A. True
 - B. False
16. After a fumble, it is not a foul if B56 shoves A83 in the back above the waist to get to the loose ball.
 - A. True
 - B. False
17. When the runner is airborne and the ball is outside the sideline plane and the pylon, and the ball breaks the plane of the goal line extended before the runner touches out of bounds, it is a touchdown.
 - A. True
 - B. False
18. Team B's coach is standing in the restricted area while the ball is live. It is the first sideline incident in the game. The coach will receive a warning.
 - A. True
 - B. False

19. 3/5, R-8. The score is Team K-20, Team R-21, with 10 seconds left in the fourth quarter. K18's field goal attempt is blocked behind the line and simultaneously recovered by K22 and R56 at the R-12 with three seconds remaining. The ball belongs to Team R.

- A. True
- B. False

20. 4/12, K-25. During a punt, R22 is blocking K44 to prevent him from downing the ball. In the course of their interaction R22 is the first to touch the ball when it hits his foot as he continues his contact with K44. K33 recovers at the R-35. Team K will have a first down.

- A. True
- B. False

21. 1/10, A-5. A7 hands off to A22 who attempts to swing around right end, but is tackled in the end zone. He thrusts the ball out and his progress is judged to be with the front end of the ball near the one-foot line with the rear half of the ball over the goal line and no part of the ball extending over the rear edge of the goal line. The ball is next spotted:

- A. Exactly as the play was judged to have ended with the rear part of the ball touching the goal line.
- B. With the entire ball in the field of play and no part of the ball touching the goal line.
- C. At the A-20 for a free kick as a result of a safety.
- D. At the A-20 for a snap as a result of a touchback.

22. Punt returner R32 catches the kick at the R-3 and his momentum takes him slightly into the end zone. He circles wide to his left to avoid K40 and K84 and subsequently decides to put his knee down with the ball still in the end zone. It will be R's ball at the:

- A. R-3.
- B. R-20 for a free kick as a result of a safety.
- C. R-20 for a snap as a result of a touchback.

23. 4/16, R-30. With holder K11 and kicker K2, Team K is in a legal scrimmage kick formation, K11 takes the snap and runs to the R20. R66 is flagged for directly running into the snapper. It will be K's ball at the:

- A. R20, 4/6.
- B. R-15, 4/1.
- C. R-15, 1/10.
- D. R-10, 1/10.

24. 3/5, A-35. A7 drops back to pass and under intense pressure at the A-25, he throws the ball at the feet of A32 who is protecting the pocket immediately in front of A7.

- A. No foul because an eligible receiver was in the area.
- B. The referee will have to judge whether the pass was intentionally thrown incomplete.

25. 4/8, K-45. During a punt, R66 is flagged for holding at the R-48. R22 catches the kick at the R-26 and returns the ball to the K-3 where he fumbles. The ball strikes the goal line pylon.

- A. R, 1/10, R-13.
- B. R, 1/10, R-16.
- C. R, 1/10, R-38.
- D. K, 1/10, K-20.

26. 3/10, A-30. A11 drops back in the pocket and retreats under a heavy rush. B33 holds receiver A85 at the A-45. A11 is tackled by the facemask at the A-20.

- A. A, 1/10, A-45.
- B. A, 1/10, A-40.
- C. A, 1/10, A-35.
- D. A, 3/5, A-35.

27. 4/15, K-33. Punt receiver R42, standing at the R-25, points at the ball as it bounces along the ground. He does not make any waving motion. He then recovers the ball at the R-25 and advances to the R-39.

- A. R, 1/10, R-39.
- B. R, 1/10, R-25.
- C. R, 1/10, R-20.

28. 4/10, R-35. Windy day and K2 punts the ball straight up in the air. The ball does not cross the line of scrimmage and R49 signals for a fair catch at the R-36. The ball hits the ground and R27 picks up the ball at the R-40 and advances to the goal line.

- A. Touchdown.
- B. Foul for an invalid fair catch signal.
- C. Foul for an illegal fair catch signal.
- D. No foul, but the ball is dead when recovered.

29. 1/10, A-20. A11 drops back in the pocket and sets up to pass. He then scrambles to his right, sets up again and is in the passing posture when he is hit by B88 who contacts A11's knee with his shoulder while making a wrap-up tackle. A11 then pulls the ball in and goes to the ground because of being tackled by B88.

- A. No foul.
- B. Personal foul, unnecessary roughness.
- C. Roughing the passer.

30. 3/5, A-45. A88 is on the right end of the line of scrimmage in a two-point stance with his elbows on his knees. Flanker A44 covers him up by setting up on the line of scrimmage to A88's far right, so that A88 is no longer on the end of the line. As A11 is calling signals A88 smoothly leaves his position on the right side of the line, trots behind A11, and settles into a three-point stance on the line of scrimmage as the left end.

- A. False start.
- B. Illegal shift.
- C. Illegal formation.
- D. Legal shift.

31. 4/G, B-9. B77 roughs the passer during a completed pass play to A88 at the B-6. At the B-4, A88 fumbles the ball, which is recovered by B22 in Team B's end zone. The penalty is enforced from the:

- A. B-9.
- B. B-6.
- C. B-4.

32. 3/G, B-5. The score is A-20, B-27. Three seconds remain in the fourth quarter. B33 grabs and twists A55's facemask in an attempt to reach runner A25 who scores a touchdown. Time expires during the down.

A. Team A may enforce Team B's foul on the try or may enforce the foul in a possible overtime.

B. Team A must enforce Team B's foul on the try.

33. Team A lines up for a two-point try attempt at the B-3. Team B has eleven players in its defensive formation. B42 runs onto the field just before the ball is snapped and draws a blocker. A22 takes the handoff from the quarterback and is tackled at the one-yard line.

- A. The penalty is enforced from the end of the run as a live-ball foul.
- B. The penalty is enforced from the previous spot as a live-ball foul.
- C. A dead-ball foul should be whistled immediately.

34. Try, R-3. Time has expired in the fourth quarter with the score K-20, R-21. K2's kick try is successful and R56 is called for roughing the kicker. If the penalty is accepted:

- A. The try must be replayed.
- B. The try may be replayed.
- C. The penalty cannot carry over to overtime.

35. 4/7, B-30. A7 rolls out toward the Linesman's sideline. While near the sideline, he throws a pass that falls incomplete. After the play is whistled dead, B42 shoves A7, knocking him to the ground.

- A. A, 1/10, B-15.
- B. B, 1/10, B-15.
- C. B, 1/25, B-15.

36. Free Kick, K-40. The kick is short and high ("pooch" kick) and K57 bumps receiver R8 at the R-35; the ball hits R8 and is recovered by K15 at the R-40.

- A. R, 1/10, 50.
- B. R, 1/10, R-35.
- C. K, 1/10, R-40.

37. 4/10, K-40. K4's punt is first touched by K88 on the R-25. R44 recovers on the R-18 and advances to the R-27 when he fumbles. K66 recovers and scores. During K66's run, K55 is flagged for holding on the R-12.

- A. K, 4/10, K-40.
- B. R, 1/10, R-25.
- C. K, 1/10, R-22.
- D. R, 1/10, R-37

38. 4/22, K-30. While K20's punt is in the air, R30 blocks below the waist at the 50-yard line. K89 tries to recover the kick at the R-20 but muffs it. K40 falls on the ball at the R-8.

- A. K, 1/10, K-45.
- B. K, 4/7, K-45.
- C. R, 1/10, R-4.
- D. R, 1/10, R-20.
- E. R, 1/10, R-10.

39. 4/10, K-40. Before the ball is kicked on a punt, R50, in an attempt to reach the kicker, pulls guard K60 by the shoulders and releases K60 as he goes by. The ball is fair caught by R20 at the R-30.

- A. K, 1/10, 50.
- B. R, 1/10, R-20.
- C. R, 1/10, R-30.

40. 4/6, B-16. On the first series of the second half, A33 runs a sweep play to the right. B27 is legally blocked and forced out of bounds at the B-11. While he is still out of bounds, B27 grabs and tries to tackle A33 at the B-11, but A33 breaks loose and steps out of bounds at the B-6.

- A. A, 1/10, B-8.
- B. A, 1/G, B-6.
- C. A, 1/G, B-3.
- D. B, 1/10, B-11.

41. A32 fumbles and the ball rolls to the A-25. A89 bats the loose ball backward towards Team A's goal line. A66 recovers the ball at the A-15.

- A. Legal bat.
- B. Illegal bat.

42. 4/7, 50 yard line. K's punt is high and short, landing on the R-28. It takes a big bounce back toward the line of scrimmage when K86 bats the ball forward from the R-35. The ball rolls out of bounds at the R-22.

- A. R, 1/10, R-37.
- B. R, 1/10, R-45.
- C. R, 1/10, R-35.
- D. R, 1/10, 50.

43. 4/10, K-35. R44 is in position to catch K3's punt at the R-25. While the ball is still very high in the air and well before it comes close to R44, K88 runs directly in front of R44 within a yard but is not near him when the ball arrives. R44 catches the punt and is tackled at the R-32.

- A. No foul.
- B. Kick-catching interference

44. 3/G, B-12. The score is A-20, B-24. With three seconds remaining in the game, A7 advances to the B-2 and is about to be tackled when he flips the ball forward to an eligible team A receiver who catches the ball in the end zone. Time expires during the down.

- A. A, 3/G, B-17.
- B. A, 4/G, B-7.
- C. Game over.

45. 1/10, A-40. Midway during the first quarter, Team A gains a first down. The Umpire sets the ball on the ground and waits for the Referee to wave him off the ball. Just as the Umpire is starting to move away and before the Referee signals the ball ready for play, the ball is snapped.

- A. A, 1/10, A-40.
- B. A, 1/10, A-35.
- C. A, 1/15, A-35.

46. 4/12, K-40. Punter K44 shanks the ball to his right and K88 catches the kick behind the neutral zone. He carries the ball to the R-45 where he is tackled.

- A. The ball belongs to Team K and the game clock starts on the snap.
- B. The ball belongs to Team K and the game clock starts on the ready.
- C. The ball belongs to Team R and the game clock starts on the snap.
- D. The ball belongs to Team R and the game clock starts on the ready.

47. 3/5, A-25. Team A has six players numbered 50-79 on the line of scrimmage. On the right side A80 is in the tackle position and A75 is to his right on the end of the line as the tight end. A88 is in the backfield wide to the left side. The entire line sets into a 3-point stance. A75 slowly steps into the backfield and re-sets, and A88 moves up to end of the line on the left side and re-sets. After all 11 Team A players are set for one second, A75 goes in motion across the backfield and is still moving laterally when the ball is snapped. A80 catches a legal forward pass and is tackled at the A-35.

- A. The shift is legal and A80 is eligible.
- B. The shift is legal and A80 is ineligible.
- C. The shift is illegal and A80 is eligible.
- D. The shift is illegal and A80 is ineligible.

48. 4/G, R-4. Team K's field goal attempt from the R11 is blocked. In an attempt to recover the loose ball behind the line, R55 muffs the ball to the R-2. K22 picks up the loose ball at the R-2 and runs into the end zone.

- A. Touchdown.
- B. K, 1/10, R-2.
- C. R, 1/10, R-20.
- D. R, 1/10, R-2.

49. 4/3, R-45. R22 catches a punt at the R-3 and his momentum carries him into the end zone. R22 attempts to run the ball out of the end zone but fumbles the ball. R33 picks up the ball in the end zone but is tackled there. During R22's run, R55 held K77 at the R-6.

- A. Safety.
- B. R, 1/10, R-3.
- C. R, 1/10, R-1 ½.

50. 2/20, A-30. After all Team A players had become set for one second following the ready for play, A21 and A32 are in motion at the snap. A7 completes a pass to A87 for a touchdown. After the play, Team B'S head coach is flagged for unsportsmanlike conduct for arguing over a previous play.

- A. A, 2/20, A-30.
- B. A, 2/10, A-40.
- C. A, 1/10, A-40.