

Rules Interpretation

Communication
Dealing With Coaches

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Dealing with Coaches

- Dealing with Coaches is an ART that does not come easily.
- Remember that Coaches have a focused, vested interest in the outcome of the match.
- Most Coaches are “high maintenance” individuals.
- Ignoring Coaches will only allow issues to escalate.
- The key is to remain calm and poised at all times.

Dealing with Coaches

- LISTEN to WHAT is being said TO YOU.
- After listening, determine if a response is warranted.
- Be aware of body language – facial expressions, crossed arms, etc. send a defensive message. Develop a poker face.
- Know/recognize the personality of each Coach.
- Don't trust Head or Assistant Coaches – they want one thing – to win.

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- DO NOT get comfortable with Head Coaches; BE PROFESSIONAL.
- Maintain CONFIDENCE and a strong stance – exude confidence without being “cocky”.
- Most importantly, maintain self-control.
- When a Head Coach is explaining a problem, let them finish, then develop your response.
- Verbal Judo – “If I hear you Coach, this is your point.”

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- If we make a mistake during a match (and we ALL do make mistakes), admit it (you get ONE per match) and move on.
- Respond to questions; do NOT respond to statements.
- During the match, keep discussions with Coaches brief and focused.
- If a Head Coach demonstrates child-like behavior, don’t stoop to that level.
- **Never, ever, sell out your Partner.**

Dealing with Coaches

- In match situations, never address Coaches by name; nor should they refer to Officials by name.
- Never issue ultimatums to Coaches – it only leads to trouble that your Assignor or Supervisor cannot defend.
- Develop your own “line in the sand” re: Coaches behavior ... but if they are distracting you, it’s time to handle them.
- Use a three step process:
 - “Coach I hear you.”
 - “Coach, that’s enough.”
 - “Coach, here’s your Caution for USB.”

NJSIAA Policy - Concussions

- NJSIAA revised their Concussion Policy effective 8 Sept. 2010.
- **Any student athlete that exhibits signs, symptoms, or behaviors of a concussion SHALL NOT return to any match that day/night.**
- NJSIAA Policy is now more stringent than NFHS (NFHS allows re-entry with medical professional's note).

2010 Refresher Test Review

Answer Key
2010-11 NFHS Soccer Rules Examination - Part I

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| 1. B | 1-1-1 | 44. B | 5-2-26f | 87. A | 14-1-3 Penalty; PK Situations |
| 2. B | 1-2-10 | 45. B | 5-3-1 | 88. A | 14-1-4 |
| 3. B | 1-3-1 | 46. A | 5-3-1a | 89. B | 15-1-1 |
| 4. B | 1-4-1 | 47. A | 5-3-2h | 90. A | 15-1-1, 9-1-1i, 9-1-2j |
| 5. A | 1-4-1 | 48. A | 5-3-2h | 91. B | 15-1-2 |
| 6. A | 1-4-1; PR 1.4.1, SR B | 49. C | 5-3-2 | 92. B | 15-1-2 |
| 7. A | 1-4 | 50. A | 6-2-3c | 93. B | 15-1-2 |
| 8. A | PR 1.2, SR A, SR B | 51. A | 7-1-2 | 94. C | 15-1-2 |
| 9. A | 2-1-1 | 52. A | 7-2-1 | 95. A | 15-1-1 |
| 10. A | 2-2-3 | 53. A | 7-3-2 | 96. B | 15-1-1a |
| 11. A | 2-2-5 | 54. B | 7-4-1 | 97. A | 15-1-1 |
| 12. B | 3-1-3 | 55. B | 8-1-3 | 98. A | 15-1-1 |
| 13. B | 3-2-1 | 56. B | 8-1-3 | 99. D | Signal Chart |
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| 15. B | 3-3-2 | 58. B | 9-2-3 | | |
| 16. A | 3-3-2a | 59. A | 10-1-2a | | |
| 17. D | 3-3-2b | 60. A | 10-1-2a | | |
| 18. B | 3-3-2b3 | 61. A | 10-1-2a | | |
| 19. B | 3-3-2b3 | 62. B | 10-1-2 | | |
| 20. A | 3-3-3 | 63. A | 11-1-1; Diag. #5 | | |
| 21. A | 3-4-1a | 64. B | 11-1-2 | | |
| 22. A | 3-4-1a | 65. B | 11-1-2 | | |
| 23. A | 3-3-2b3 | 66. B | PR 1.1, 1.2, SR A | | |
| 24. A | 4-1-1 | 67. B | 12-1-1 | | |
| 25. A | 4-1-1 | 68. A | 12-1-1 | | |
| 26. A | 4-1-1 | 69. A | 12-1-1 | | |
| 27. C | 4-1-1b | 70. B | 12-1-1 | | |
| 28. A | 4-1-1b | 71. B | 12-1-1 | | |
| 29. A | 4-1-1f | 72. B | 12-1-1a | | |
| 30. B | 4-1-1f | 73. A | 12-1-1b; PR 16.1.3, Situation | | |
| 31. B | 4-1-1f | 74. B | 12-1-1b | | |
| 32. D | 4-1-1f | 75. A | 12-1-1b | | |
| 33. A | 4-1-1f | 76. B | 12-1-1b | | |
| 34. B | 4-1-2 | 77. A | 12-1-1b | | |
| 35. B | 4-1-2a | 78. B | 12-1-2 | | |
| 36. B | 4-2-1f, Exception #3 | 79. A | PR 1.2, SR C | | |
| 37. B | 4-2-2 | 80. B | 13-1-1; 10-1-3a | | |
| 38. C | 4-2-2 | 81. B | 13-1-2 | | |
| 39. B | 5-1-2 | 82. A | 13-1-2 | | |
| 40. A | 5-1-2 | 83. A | 13-2-1b, 3-1-1; Making the Call | | |
| 41. A | 5-2-2a | 84. A | 13-2-1d | | |
| 42. B | 5-2-2a | 85. B | 13-2-1 | | |
| 43. B | 5-2-2a | 86. B | 14-1-2; PR 14.1.2 | | |

Things to Remember ...

- For Varsity matches that end regulation in a tie – overtime MUST be played, and per NJSIAA modification of Rule 7.3.1, two (2) “sudden victory/golden goal” overtime periods of up to ten (10) minutes will be played.
- If the match remains tied after two overtime periods, the game is recorded as a tie.
- In State and Coaches Tournament games (only), tied games will be resolved using kicks from the penalty mark.

Things to Remember ...

- In the event of a **RED CARD** disqualification, a report **MUST** be filed with NJSIAA within 24 hours. Go to www.NJSIAA.com, under the "Officials" tab click on "Disqualification Form"; the username is "DQ" and the password is "DQ".
- Be factual as the circumstances leading up to the disqualification.
- DOGSO is defined in Rule 12.8.3.d as **Serious Foul Play**.

Things to Remember ...

Substitutions for illegal equipment – per Rule 4.3 Coaches' Responsibilities:

- The removed player(s) who has not been cautioned may re-enter during a dead ball. Player(s) who have been cautioned can re-enter only at the next legal substitution opportunity.
- **There shall be no replacement for non-cautioned players until the next opportunity to substitute. Cautioned player(s) may be replaced at the time of the caution.**

SJSOA Meeting Schedule

- October 4 – Eastern HS, 7 PM start.
- October 21 – Eastern HS, 7 PM start.
- November 10 – Election of Officers and end of season banquet – Gloucester Township Tech, 6 PM start.
