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SUBJECT: NCAA Football Play Situations Bulletin No. 2.

Enclosed with this memorandum are the second set of play situations and several interpretations for the 2006 season. The committee hopes this assists in the understanding of the rules.

If you have any questions, please contact John Adams, secretary-rules editor of the NCAA Football Rules Committee. Mr. Adams can be reached at 303/799-9221, extension 222.

We hope this information is helpful.

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1. A player presents a document from a doctor stating that he should be allowed to play with a tinted eye shield. **Ruling:** No player may participate with a tinted eye shield. The Trainers Association and Competitive Safeguard Committee have stated that eye goggles or contact lens are adequate protection. Either item is legal for players (1-4-5-s).
2. An airborne player receives a forward pass and returns to the ground inbounds with the ball in his possession. **Ruling:** If he has firm possession of the ball, it is a catch even though a subsequent step or fall takes him out of bounds (2-2-7-c).
3. Prior to the game, a home team representative indicates the halftime intermission will be 25 minutes. **Ruling:** Only legal if the administrations of both schools have agreed to the adjustment (3-2-1-b).
4. Third and 10 at the Team B 40 yard line. A-27 runs with the ball and is out of bounds at the Team B 29 yard line. **Ruling:** First and 10. Clock starts on the snap since it was stopped by the out of bounds (3-2-5-b, c).
5. Fourth and 10 at the Team B 40 yard line. A-37 runs with the ball and is downed inbounds at the Team B 29 yard line. **Ruling:** First and 10. Clock starts on the ready for play signal since it was stopped by the first down (3-2-5-a-1).
6. Free kick from the Team A 35 yard line. Team A's short kick is rolling at the Team A 41 yard line when muffed by B-17. The kick is then recovered by A-19 at the Team A 43 yard line. **Ruling:** First and 10 for Team A at the 43 yard line. The clock started on the kick and stopped on the recovery. The clock starts on the snap (3-2-5, 3-2-5-a-1, 6-1-3-a).
7. Fourth and eight at the Team A 45 yard line. Team A's scrimmage kick is blocked and then recovered by B-73 at the Team A 43 yard line where the ball is dead. **Ruling:** First and 10 for Team B at the 43 yard line. Clock starts on the ready for play signal (3-2-5-e, 6-3-1-a).
8. A-87 catches or recovers Team A's previously untouched scrimmage kick at the Team B one yard line and then falls or runs into the end zone. **Ruling:** First and 10 for Team B at the one yard line. Clock starts on the ready for play signal (3-2-5-e, 6-3-6-a).

9. Prior to the snap, linebacker B-31 rushes toward the offensive line. The ball is snapped when B-31 is within one yard of the line of scrimmage. **Ruling:** Legal action by B 31 but he may foul if he leaps (7-1-5-a-4, 7-1-5-b, 9-1-2-q).
10. Tight end A-88 contacts B-73 at the line of scrimmage and drives him three yards before breaking away to participate in the pass pattern. A legal forward pass is thrown to A-88. **Ruling:** Offensive pass interference (7-3-8-b).
11. On the last play of the fourth period, Team A has scored a touchdown to take a 32-30 lead. **Ruling:** The try must be “attempted” since Team B could score two points. Attempted is defined as running a legal play (8-3-2-a).
12. Fourth and eight at the Team A 30 yard line. The snap is over potential kicker A-3’s head. A-3 is chasing the rolling ball at the four yard line when he kicks it over the end line. **Ruling:** Safety or first and goal for Team B at the two yard line (8-5-1, 8-7-2-b-1, 9-4-4). Note: Had the ball been batted backward, the results would be a safety (8-5-1-a, 9-4-1-c).