

MAY 2014 STUDY GUIDE QUESTIONS

This month's set of questions are mostly action plays unlike the questions sent out in April 2014. Those were just statements pertaining to the rules and just to energize us for upcoming camps and the season. As with the previous set, the answers will come out in the next month's issue; and until 2014 rule books are available, answers will be referenced to the 2013 rule book.

This is an ideal opportunity to study as a crew. Divide the questions up and then meet together to review. Saving these questions and your researched answers would be a really good idea since randomly selected questions from this group and others will comprise the 2014 Part II test.

Questions are either True/False or multiple choice. True/False questions have no A-B-C... answers, and are also labeled "T/F". For multiple choice questions, please choose the BEST answer as all options may contain some correct content.

1. Running back A15 is a lead blocker on a sweep. He initiates contact on defensive end, B90, who is out of the free blocking zone. Contact is initiated on the hands extended well below the waist of the defender. B90 pushes down on the helmet of A15 but contact occurs below the knees on B90 taking him to the ground.
 - A. This is a legal block.
 - B. The yardage penalty for blocking below the waist contacting from the front out of the free blocking zone is 10 yards.
 - C. An offensive player who assumes legal position of a back can never block below the waist anywhere on the field.
 - D. A and C

This condition applies to the following three T/F questions: Defender B18 grasps inside the jersey collar of receiver A88 and spins him sideward and pulls A88 to the ground while out of bounds on fourth and 10 yards to go. There was a gain of eight yards. A88 went out of bounds at the 50 yard line.

2. Properly enforced this play results in a dead ball foul of 15 yards against Team B with their ball first and ten from B's 35 yard line.
3. Properly enforced there is no foul.
4. Properly enforced a new series is awarded after a live ball foul is assessed against Team B of fifteen yards. It is now first and ten for Team A at B's 35 yard line.

This condition applies to the following two T/F questions: Team A is in a spread formation with A10 receiving the snap five yards behind the line of scrimmage. Team A offensive linemen are in two-point stances at the snap.

5. In this formation the center must be protected from contact until he moves to participate in the play or regains balance.
6. Guard A69 falls forward at the snap and blocks B70 below the waist. This is legal contact.

7. Team K punts. The untouched ball is rolling at R's two yard line. R13 attempts to recover and muffs the ball into the air. K24 leaves his feet at R's 3 yard line, secures possession of the ball and lands in the end zone. Proper enforcement of this play would be:
- A. Touchdown for K.
 - B. Touchback with new series for R from R 20 yard line.
 - C. Team K new series starting at R's three yard line
 - D. R taking the ball at the spot of K's first touching which would be R's three yard line for a new series.
8. Team K punts from K's 20 yard line. The ball strikes the ground at R's 40 yard line where R10 then signals for a fair catch. K33 contacts R10 above the waist and from the front resulting in R10 falling into the ball. K60 then recovers the ball on R's 38 yard line. Properly officiated:
- A. The fair catch signal is invalid and contact by K33 is illegal. Penalties are offsetting with a replay of the down.
 - B. K33's contact is legal. There is an invalid fair catch signal. The touching by R10 is ignored. If K accepts the penalty for the invalid fair catch signal it is enforced under post scrimmage kick enforcement. First and ten for R on R's 33 yard line.
 - C. K33 contact on R10 is legal. The fair catch signal is invalid. K wishes to decline the penalty for the invalid fair catch signal, and it is K's ball at R's 38 yard line.
 - D. K33's contact is legal. There is an invalid fair catch signal, and K accepts the penalty. R should be given an option of taking the ball at the spot of first touching by K as touching by R10 is ignored.
9. During a punt R18 gives a valid fair catch signal from his 48 yard line but muffs the punt in flight off his shoulder pad. While the ball is loose R18 blocks K90 above the waist from the front on R's 48 yard line allowing teammate R50 to recover the muff at R's 45 yard line.
- A. This is legal contact.
 - B. This is illegal contact. Since the foul occurred during a loose ball, if K accepts the penalty, it will be assessed from the previous spot.
 - C. This is illegal contact and will be enforced under post scrimmage kick enforcement. R's ball for a new series at R's 33 yard line.
10. K's punt travels forty yards downfield where both R18 and R15 signal for a fair catch. R18 muffs the ball into the air. R15 is in position to catch the ball when he is tackled by K50 allowing K43 to catch the ball as he is falling to the ground.
- A. This is kick catch interference.
 - B. No penalty occurred and the ball belongs to K for a new series.
 - C. K50 is guilty of holding; and if the penalty is accepted, the penalty will be assessed from the previous spot and the down will be replayed.

11. On third and one late in the second quarter, A10 runs seven yards beyond the line of scrimmage and then throws the ball forward and incomplete to stop the clock. Properly officiated:
- A. This is an illegal forward pass. If the penalty is accepted it will be assessed from the previous spot, five yards and loss of down.
 - B. This is an illegal forward pass. If the penalty is accepted, it will be five yards from the spot of the foul, placing the ball past the line to gain giving first down to Team A. The loss of down provision does not apply.
12. Team A has triple receivers to one side. A forward pass is thrown to A20, an inside receiver who is off the line of scrimmage. Defensive back B16 has rushed quickly evading the blocking of other receivers and blocks A20 above the waist from the front prior to the ball arriving. The pass falls incomplete. Properly officiated:
- A. This is an incomplete pass.
 - B. This is pass interference.
13. On third and four from Team B's 25 yard line. A10 begins an option play down the line of scrimmage pitching the ball backwards to A25 who muffs the pitch. A25 bats the ball forward to prevent recovery by a Team B player who is on his knees at B's 32 yard line. The ball goes out of bounds at B's 26 yard line. Properly officiated:
- A. There is no foul.
 - B. A25 is flagged for illegal batting. Since the penalty occurred during a loose ball, the penalty is assessed from the previous spot.
 - C. A25 is flagged for illegal batting. Penalty is five yards from the spot of the foul. The clock starts on the snap.
 - D. A25 is flagged for illegal batting. Penalty is fifteen yards from the spot of the foul. The clock starts on the ready for play.
14. Which statement is CORRECT concerning pass restrictions?
- A. Defensive restrictions begin at the snap.
 - B. Offensive restrictions begin when the pass is thrown.
 - C. Restrictions end for all players when a defensive player touches a forward pass.
15. Which statement is CORRECT concerning eligibility?
- A. The snapper can be an eligible receiver.
 - B. Eligibility requirements apply to both legal and illegal forward passes.
 - C. Fullback A56 in punt formation seven yards behind the line of scrimmage would be eligible in the event a pass occurred as the result of a broken play.
 - D. Of Team B players only Team B defensive backs are eligible.

16. A10 completes a legal forward pass 10 yards downfield to A34 who then fumbles. B50 recovers the fumble and returns the ball to B's 40 yard line where he is horse collar tackled out of bounds. During the return, B71 blocks an opponent in the back at B's 45 yard line. Properly officiated:
- A. Both fouls happen after change of possession and they will offset.
 - B. Team B may keep the ball after declining the penalty on Team A with enforcement of the block in the back from the end of the run.
 - C. Team B may keep the ball after enforcement of the penalty for block in the back from B's 45 yard line.
 - D. Team B may keep the ball after enforcement of the block in the back penalty. The horse collar tackle is a dead ball foul and will be assessed separately.
17. Team A scores a touchdown as the first quarter time expires. The period is extended for the try. On a successful two point conversion attempt B76 roughs the passer. Team A accepts the penalty. Properly officiated:
- A. The period will be extended for the kickoff and penalty enforced there.
 - B. The period will not be extended and the penalty will be enforced on the kickoff which will be the first play of the second quarter.
 - C. The penalty is automatically declined on a successful try. The new quarter starts with the kickoff.
18. The CORRECT statement describing the fundamentals of post-scrimmage kick enforcement is:
- A. The foul is by Team K beyond the expanded neutral zone, takes place during the interval between the start and end of the scrimmage kick and Team R possesses the ball at the end of the play.
 - B. The foul is by Team R beyond the expanded neutral zone, takes place during the interval between the start and end of the scrimmage kick that crosses the expanded neutral zone, and Team R possesses the ball at the end of the play.
 - C. The foul is by Team R beyond the expanded neutral zone, takes place during the interval between the snap and the end of the scrimmage kick and Team R possesses the ball at the end of the down.

19. On a third down running play A10 fumbles short of the line to gain. The ball crosses the line to gain and goes out of bounds last muffed by B56. Properly administered the next play will be:
- A. First and ten for Team B at out of bounds spot.
 - B. First and ten for Team A at end of run and the clock starts on the ready.
 - C. First and ten for Team A at out of bounds spot and clock starts on the snap.
 - D. Fourth down for Team A at spot of the fumble.
20. Clock is running. Team K is in scrimmage kick formation, fourth and eight at R's 40 yard line. The 25 second clock expires. Team R declines the penalty for delay of game.
- A. The clock must start on the snap regardless of Team R's decision.
 - B. Had Team R accepted the penalty the clock would start on the ready.
 - C. Because the penalty is declined the clock will start on the ready for play whistle.
 - D. Because the penalty is declined the clock must start on the snap.
21. Team K kicks off from their own 40 after a score. Before the untouched ball by either team has gone ten yards, K23 blocks R30 at K's 47 yard line above the waist. K49 is the first to touch the ball at K's 45 yard line. R39 recovers and downs the ball at midfield.
- A. Team R may take the ball at midfield.
 - B. Team K is guilty of first touching.
 - C. K47 is flagged for illegal use of hands. The penalty is ten yards and if accepted would be a loose ball foul with replay of the down after assessment.
 - D. The clock should not have started.
 - E. All the above.
22. B35 intercepts A10's legal forward pass on second down. B35 returns the ball eight yards when he is hit and fumbles. The ball is recovered by A10 inbounds short of the line-to-gain.
- A. Team A is awarded a new series of downs and the clock starts on the snap because of the change of possession.
 - B. It is third down for Team A and the clock starts on the ready.
 - C. It is first down for Team A and the clock starts on the ready.

23. Team K has six men on the line of scrimmage while punting from their 25 yard line. The punt crosses the neutral zone; and while the ball is in flight, R24 blocks K70 in the back at K's 45 yard line. R20 catches the kick at R's 30 yard line and returns for a score. Properly officiated:
- A. Double foul and the down must be replayed.
 - B. R may keep the ball by declining K's penalty and R's penalty will be enforced from the spot of the foul.
 - C. R may keep the ball by declining K's penalty and it will be enforced from the end of the kick.
24. T/F: A substitute who advances onto the field but is unable to complete the substitution prior to the ball becoming live may return to his team box legally provided he leaves on his side of the field and before the snap.
25. With 8:16 left in the third quarter, second and nine for Team A at A's 30 yard line. A34 runs to A's 37 where he fumbles. The fumble remains in the air and is caught by B50 who returns to the ground touching the sideline at A's 40 yard line. Properly officiated:
- A. It is first and ten for Team B at A's 40 yard line and the clock starts on the snap.
 - B. It is first and ten for Team A from A's 40 yard line and the clock starts on the ready.
 - C. It is third and two for Team A at A's 37 yard line
 - D. It is first and ten for Team A from A's 40 yard line and the clock starts on the snap.
26. Team K punts on fourth and 12 from their 20 yard line. R23 gives a valid fair catch signal at midfield. The ball hits untouched as R23 lost the ball in the lights. At K's 45 yard line R23 pushed K90 in the back above the waist to get to the loose ball. R12 recovers the ball at R's 47 yard line.
- A. All action is legal.
 - B. The penalty for R23's action is enforced from the previous spot and is fifteen yards giving K a new series. The clock would start on the snap.
 - C. The penalty for R23's action is enforced from R's 47 yard line and is ten yards. R will start a new series.
 - D. The penalty for R23's action is enforced from K's 45 yard line and is fifteen yards.
 - E. The penalty for R23's action is enforced from R's 47 yard line and is fifteen yards. R will start a new series.
27. T/F: Free kicks are repeated if there is a double foul or inadvertent whistle during the kick.
28. T/F: Penalties for unsportsmanlike or non-player fouls by either team during a play that results in a touchdown may carry over to the try or succeeding kickoff but not to any overtime period.

29. T/F: When Team B fouls during a successful kick try, Team A may decline the score and replay the try after enforcement; or keep the score with enforcement from the succeeding spot. This includes action during an overtime period.
30. Third and ten for Team A from their 25 yard line. During the play A67 holds defensive player B87 as the pass is released. The pass is subsequently intercepted and returned for a touchdown.
- A. Team B may have the penalty enforced on the try, succeeding spot or succeeding kickoff.
 - B. Team B must decline the penalty to keep the score.
31. Which statement is FALSE about fair catch and associated signals:
- A. An invalid fair catch signal is any signal by a receiver before the kick is caught or recovered after the kick has touched a receiver.
 - B. A fair catch of a scrimmage kick must occur beyond the neutral zone to be legal.
 - C. An illegal fair catch signal is any signal, valid or invalid, by a runner after the kick has been caught.
 - D. A fair catch of a free kick must occur beyond the neutral zone to the receiver's goal line.
32. Which statement is FALSE about spots:
- A. The post-scrimmage kick spot is the spot where the kick ends.
 - B. The spot where a run ends is where the runner loses player possession if his run is followed by a loose ball.
 - C. The succeeding spot is the final spot thru the foremost point of the ball after all action has ceased.
 - D. If a foul occurs out of bounds, the spot of the foul is at the intersection of the nearer hash mark and the yard line extended on which the foul occurs.
33. A14 is under heavy rush pressure after dropping back to pass behind the line of scrimmage which was A's 42 yard line. The ball is batted from his possession by B60 and is loose in the backfield. B34 grasps the face mask of A74 and maintains his grasp while the ball is loose at A's 40 yard line preventing A74's recovery. The ball is recovered by A14. If the penalty is accepted:
- A. Enforcement will be from A's 40 yard line.
 - B. Enforcement will be from the previous spot.
 - C. The penalty is ten yards.
 - D. The penalty is fifteen yards.
 - E. B and D.

34. Team K punts from their 20 yard line. In formation K has five players in the backfield at the snap. While the punt is in flight beyond the line of scrimmage R24 pushes K18 in the back at K's 46 yard line. R10 catches the kick at R's 45 yard line and returns the punt for a touchdown.
- A. This is a double foul and the down must be replayed.
 - B. R may keep the ball by declining K's foul.
 - C. The penalty for R24's foul will be enforced from the spot of the foul.
 - D. Post-scrimmage kick enforcement does not apply.
35. T/F: B23 intercepts A12's pass at A's six yard line and returns the ball for a touchdown. B46 holds A76 in the end zone after the interception but prior to the score. After penalty enforcement it would be Team B's ball, first and ten from A's fifteen yard line.
36. T/F: A period must be extended by an untimed down if during the last timed down of that same period there was an illegal forward pass and the penalty is accepted.
37. The game is tied 7 to 7 with three seconds remaining in the third quarter. The clock has stopped because the ball went out of bounds on a running play. Team A has the ball second and goal from B's 8 yard line. At the snap A12 rolls out and throws a pass into the end zone which is intercepted by B49 who runs the ball to A's 18 yard line and is downed. B89 clips receiver A17 in the end zone during the run. Time expires during the play.
- A. If the penalty by B is declined the period is over.
 - B. If the penalty is accepted it results in a safety and the period is extended.
 - C. If the penalty is accepted it results in a safety. The teams will change ends of the field and Team B will kick from their 20 yard line.
 - D. A and C.
38. T/F: Prior to the snap, Team A interior linemen go from a two-point stance to a three-point stance in unison. This is a shift.
39. In scrimmage kick formation during a field goal attempt, holder K12 has one knee on the ground. The snap is high and he must lift his knee off the ground in order catch the ball. K12 catches the ball, subsequently places his knee on the ground and the kick proceeds.
- A. Legal action.
 - B. Illegal and the ball is dead when he returns to the ground.
40. Second and 10 for Team A on their 30 yard line. Receiver A37 drives off the line of scrimmage at the left hash mark and five yards downfield pushes off defender B19 by shoving him in the chest. However, the pass is thrown to the right sideline clearly away from A37.
- A. Legal action.
 - B. Offensive pass interference. The rule concerning contact away from

the pass direction applies only to Team B.

41. Which statement is FALSE concerning pass restrictions:
 - A. Pass interference restrictions apply only to legal forward passes.
 - B. Restrictions end for all A players when the pass has been touched by any player.
 - C. Restrictions begin for Team A at the snap.
 - D. Restrictions begin for Team B when the ball leaves the passer's hand.
42. T/F: During a coach-referee conference, a regular player-coach conference by either or both teams may occur since the time out at that point is charged to the team requesting the conference.
43. T/F: A10 intentionally grounds a pass to conserve time. After penalty enforcement, the referee shall start the clock on the ready for play signal.
44. T/F: The clock is running between downs. While in formation lineman A65 false starts. After the penalty is enforced the clock is restarted but time expires in the first quarter before the ball can be snapped. The period must be extended.
45. T/F: A10 completes a forward pass to A27 who remains in bounds for a six yard gain on third and 12. However, B34 commits pass interference on A27 and the penalty is accepted. The clock will start on the snap after enforcement.
46. T/F: A46's helmet comes off during the last play of the first quarter from legal action and not a foul. Time expired during the play for the first quarter. A46 may participate in the first play of the second quarter.
47. T/F; Team K punts on fourth down after a short running play which ended inbounds on third down. R20 calls for a fair catch which is completed without incident. Team K had only six men on the line of scrimmage. Team R accepts the penalty for K's illegal formation and requests a re-kick after enforcement from the previous spot. The clock will start on the ready.
48. T/F: During the first series of an overtime period, Team A successfully kicks a field goal. Holder K12 is roughed by B60. Team A may remove the score and accept the penalty which includes an automatic first down, or Team A may accept the score and have the penalty enforced from the succeeding spot.
49. T/F: Ineligible Team A players may not legally go beyond the expanded neutral zone until the related forward pass has gone beyond the neutral zone (for passes that do go beyond the neutral zone).
50. T/F: To complete a catch an airborne receiver must have control of the ball and land with BOTH feet inbounds before stepping or touching out of bounds.

May 2014 Study Guide Answers

1. C 2-3-7, 9-3-2
2. FALSE 9-4-3k
3. FALSE 9-4-3k
4. TRUE 9-4-3k
5. FALSE 9-4-6, 2-14-2
6. FALSE GHSA Interpretation
7. B 6-3-2, 2-4-1
8. B 6-5-3, 2-9-4, 6-5-6a
9. C 6-5-1, 2-16-2h
10. C 7-5-6b, 9-2-1c, 2-3-4c
11. B 7-5-2d, 5-2-5b
12. A 7-5-7
13. D 9-7-2, 3-4-2b3
14. C 7-5-9abc
15. A. 7-5-6a
16. C 9-3-5, 10-2-2
17. B 3-3-4
18. C 2-16-2h
19. C 5-1-3a, 4-3-1
20. C 3-4-3i
21. E 3-4-5, 9-3-1, 9-3-8
22. A 5-1-3d
23. C 10-2-1b, 10-2-3
24. TRUE 3-7-2
25. D 2-36-1, 3-4-3a, 4-3-1
26. E 6-5-1, 9-3-3
27. TRUE 6-1-7
28. TRUE 8-2-4
29. TRUE 8-3-5, 10-5-1d
30. B 8-2-3
31. D 2-9-1, 2-9-4, 2-9-5
32. C 2-41-10
33. E 10-4-2, 9-4-3h
34. B 10-2-1c, 10-2-2
35. TRUE 10-3-3
36. FALSE 3-3-4
37. D 3-3-3, 3-3-4b5
38. TRUE 2-39
39. A 4-2-2
40. B 7-5-11c
41. B 7-5-9a
42. TRUE 3-5-2c
43. TRUE 3-4-6
44. FALSE 3-3-3

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| 45. FALSE | 3-4-2b3 |
| 46. FALSE | 3-5-10d |
| 47. FALSE | 3-4-3b, 3-4-3j |
| 48. TRUE | 8-4-3 |
| 49. FALSE | 7-5-12 |
| 50. FALSE | 2-4-1 |