

MSHSL Football Charter Clinician Updates

RAOA Football Meeting – August 24th, 2022

MSHSL Mechanics Reminders

- Use the Mechanics Illustrated
- Meet with the Timer(s) Before the Game
- All 5 Crew Members Meet with the Head Coach Before the Game
- LOS Officials Always Switch Sidelines at the Half
- Umpire is in the Offensive Backfield on all Plays (except FG/try)

MSHSL Mechanics Points of Emphasis

- Scrimmage Kicks (Punts)
 - LJ position releases at the snap, officiate players
 - All positions need to cover their zone/area – BJ stay deep
- LOS Officials Stay Put
 - A large % of high school plays are within 10 yards of LOS
- Umpire Cover the Passer in the Left Side Zone
 - After he/she crosses your face
 - Primary for roughing, pass/fumble
- Offensive Holding Needs to be Big
 - Point of attack, material restriction, category

NFHS Mechanics Points of Emphasis

- Communication with Coaches
- Intentional Grounding
 - Know the free blocking zone (U & R)
- Free Kick Mechanics
 - Doing well in Minnesota, continue to officiate players
- Timing Situations
 - Timeouts (BJ help in red zone/GL)
 - Football IQ needed

MSHSL Points of Emphasis

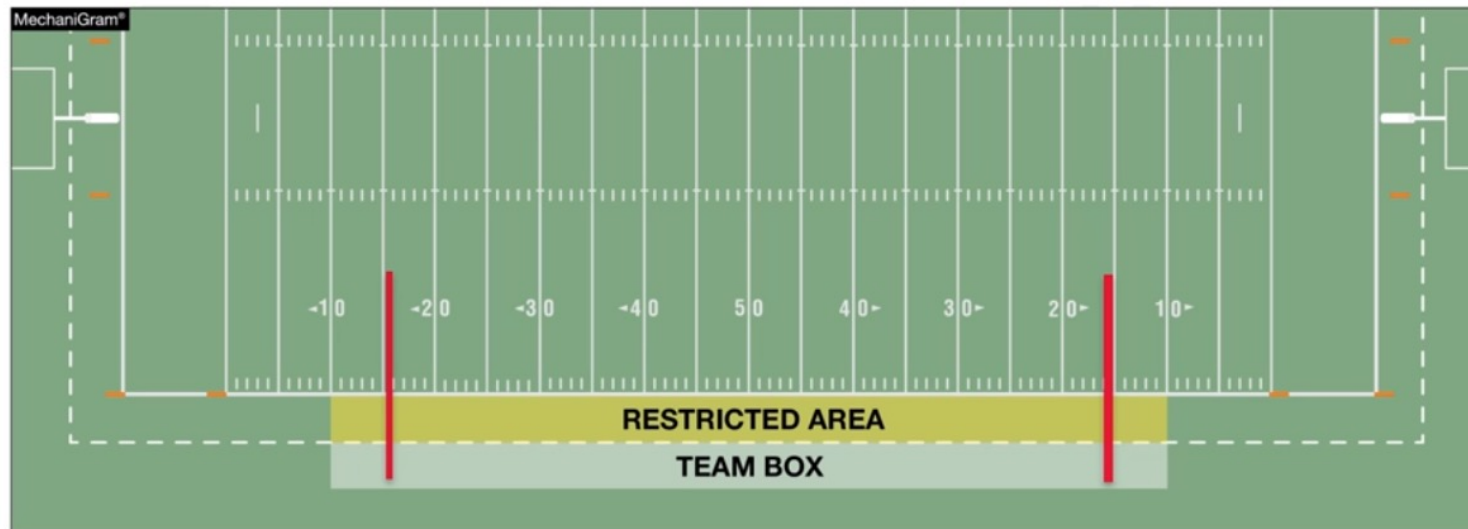
- Helmet Contact
- Targeting
- Illegal Personal Contact
 - Unnecessary and excessive contact, blind side, peel back, hits on receivers
- Risk Minimization
 - Playing to the whistle
- Uniform Issues
 - Jerseys & t-shirts, towels, wristbands, play cards, eyeshields, backpads, kneepads

NFHS Points of Emphasis

- Sportsmanship
- Targeting/Defenseless Player
- Legal Uniforms and Equipment

NFHS Rule Changes for 2022 Season

TEAM BOXES RULE 1-2-3g NOTES 3. (NEW), TABLE 1-7 (3.) (NEW)



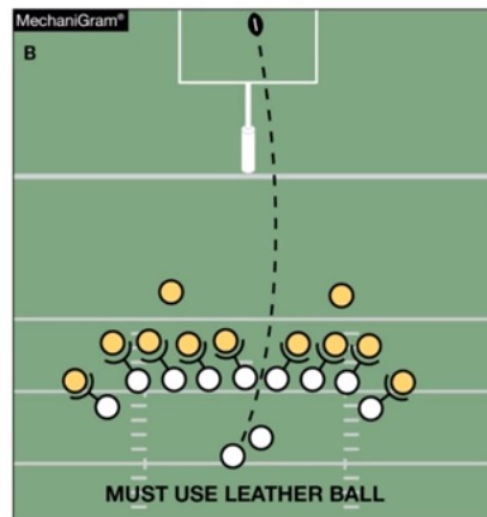
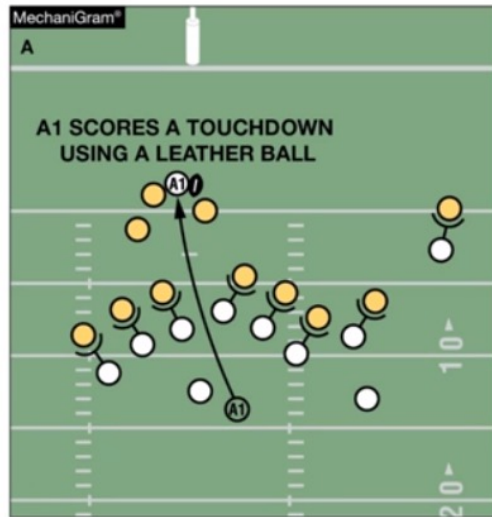
It is permissible for state associations to approve an extension of the team box and to determine the individuals who may be in the extended area, provided such extension is the same for both teams.



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GAME BALLS RULE 1-3-3

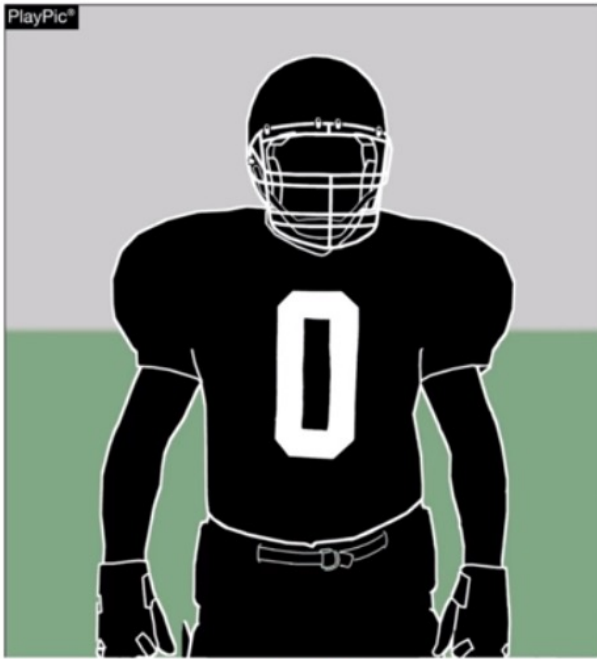


Any game official may order the ball changed between downs. Unless the ball is ordered changed by the Referee or another game official, Team A scoring a touchdown with one ball (MechaniGram A) may not request a different ball for the try (MechaniGram B) but may use a different approved ball for the ensuing free kick (PlayPic C).



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JERSEY NUMBERS: RULE 1-4-3, FIGURE 1-4-2, RULE 1-5-1c(1), RULE 7-2-5b EXCEPTIONS, RULE 7-5-6a



LEGAL



ILLEGAL

Each player shall be numbered 0 through 99 inclusive. Any number preceded by the digit zero such as "00" is illegal.



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CHOP BLOCK RULE 2-3-8



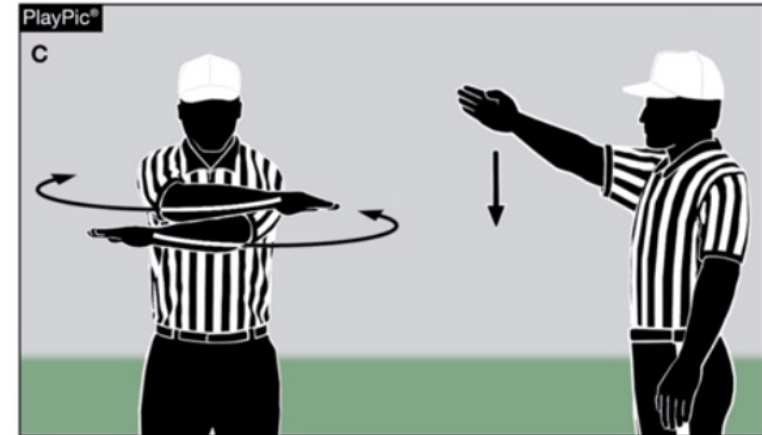
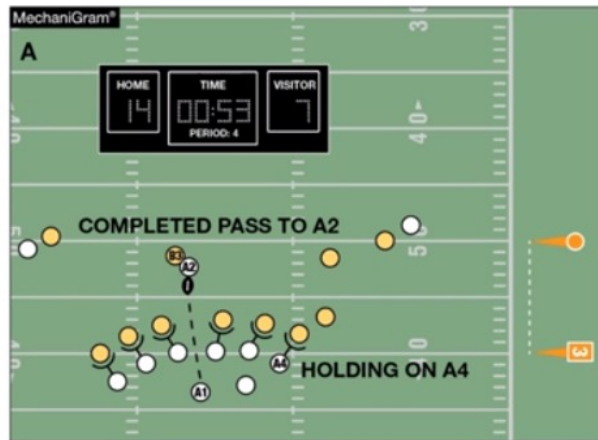
A chop block is combination block by two or more teammates against an opponent other than the runner, with or without delay, where one of the blocks is below the waist and one of the blocks is above the waist.



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GAME CLOCK OPTION RULE 3-4-7

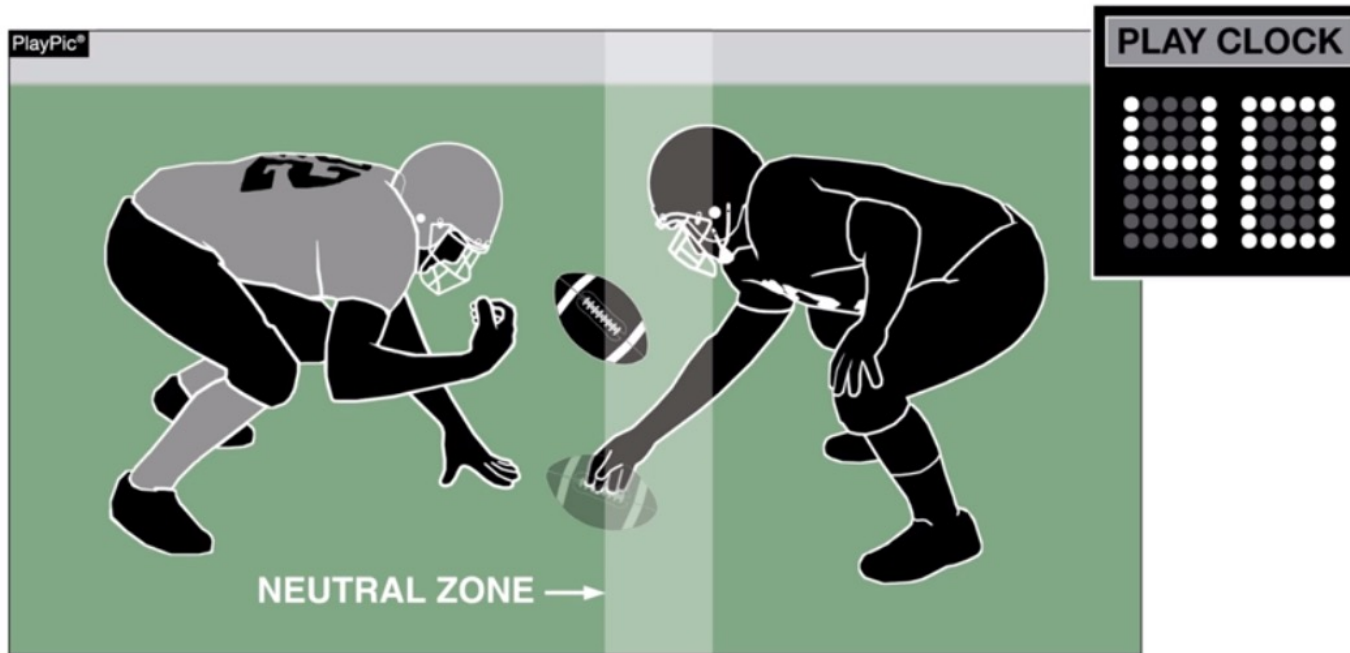


When a foul is committed with less than two minutes remaining in either half, the offended team has the option to start the game clock on the snap. In MechaniGram A, Team B trails when Team A fouls. Team B's coach is consulted (PlayPic B), choosing to decline the penalty and have the clock started on the snap (PlayPic C).



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PLAY CLOCK RULE 3-6-1a(1)e EXCEPTION 2. (NEW)

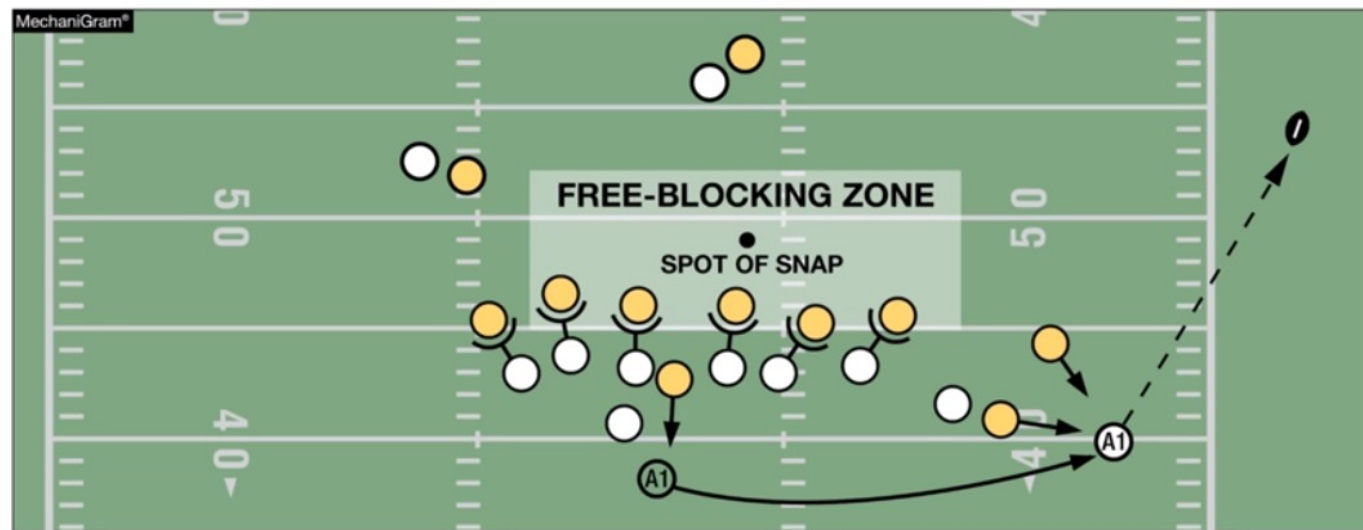


When the clock is stopped due to Rule 3-5-7i and Team B is the only team to foul, the play clock will be set to 40 seconds.



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INTENTIONAL GROUNDING: RULE 7-5-2d EXCEPTION 2. (NEW), TABLE 7-5-2, TABLE 7-5



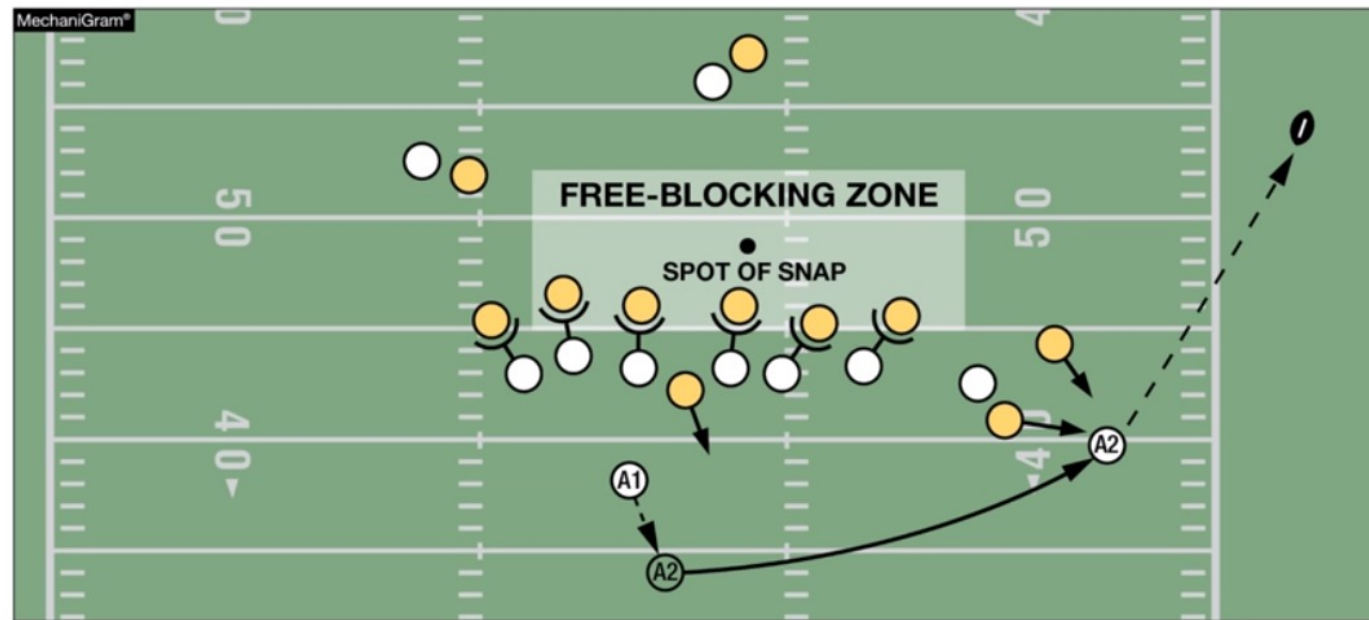
It is legal for a player to conserve yardage by intentionally throwing an incomplete forward pass if the passer has been beyond the lateral boundary of the free-blocking zone as established at the snap; and the pass reaches the neutral zone, including the extension beyond the sideline.



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INTENTIONAL GROUNDING

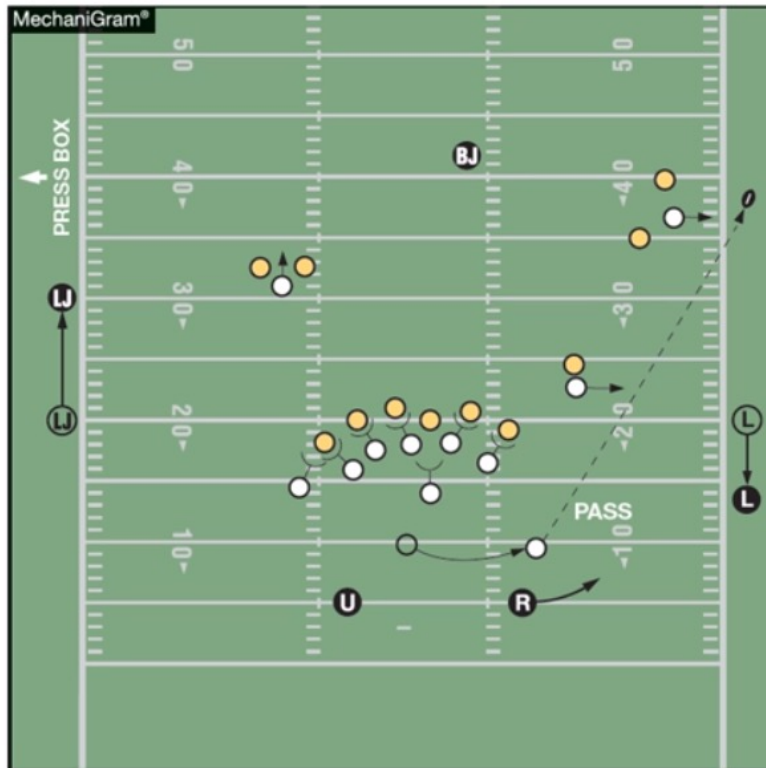
RULE 7-5-2d EXCEPTION 2. (NEW), TABLE 7-5-2, TABLE 7-5



Legal. The player taking advantage of the new rules exception need not be the player who received the snap.

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INTENTIONAL GROUNDING



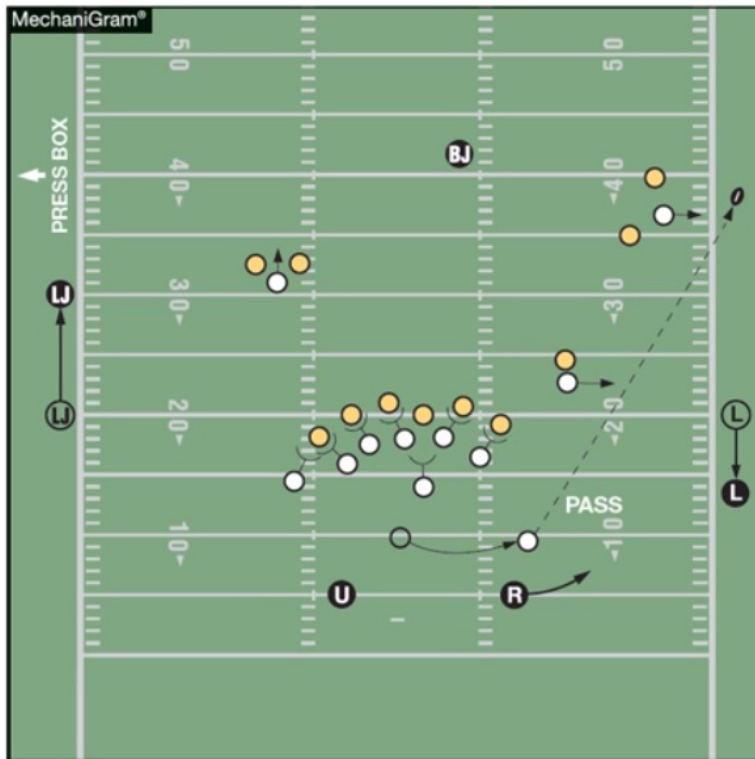
It is not a foul if the passer is outside the free blocking zone and throws the ball so that it crosses or lands beyond the neutral zone or neutral zone extended.

Offensive pass interference or blocking downfield will not be called if the passer is legally grounding the ball out of bounds, near or beyond the sideline.



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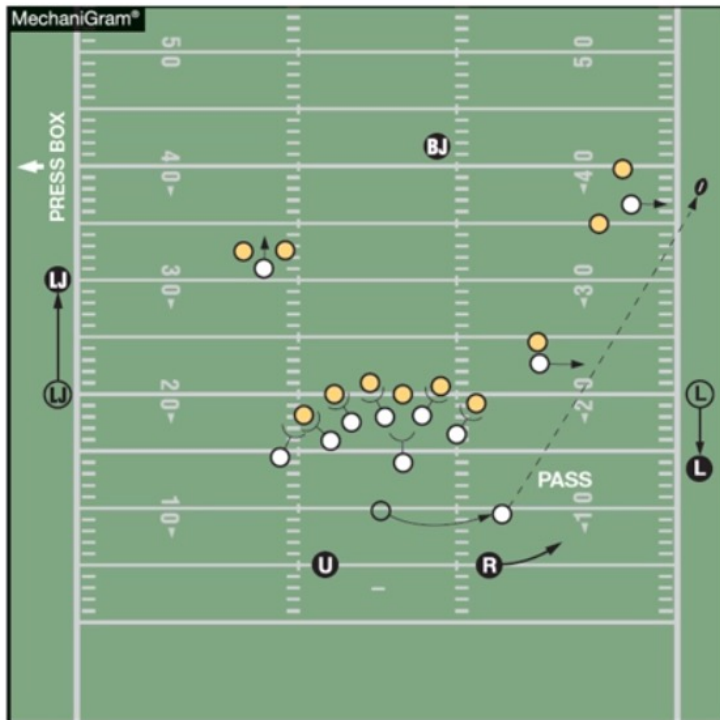
INTENTIONAL GROUNDING



If the passer is contacted after they start the passing motion, it may be ruled no intentional grounding due to this contact. If the passer is contacted clearly before they start the passing motion, there will be a foul for intentional grounding if there is no eligible receiver in the vicinity or if the pass does not reach the line of scrimmage after the quarterback has been outside of the free blocking zone.

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INTENTIONAL GROUNDING



Crew should be prepared to rule on intentional grounding

More than one official should have information

Questions to ask:

Is the passer outside of the free blocking zone?
Did the ball get beyond the neutral zone or
neutral zone extended?

If the answer is yes to both questions, no foul

If the answer is no to one or both questions, then it should be determined if there was an eligible receiver in the area. If not, it is a foul for intentional grounding



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BLOCKING BELOW THE WAIST RULE 2-17-2c



In PlayPic A, both players are in the free-blocking zone and on their lines of scrimmage. In PlayPic B, the block is legal because it is in the zone at the time of the snap, is an immediate, initial action following the snap, and both players began the play on their lines of scrimmage and in the free-blocking zone.

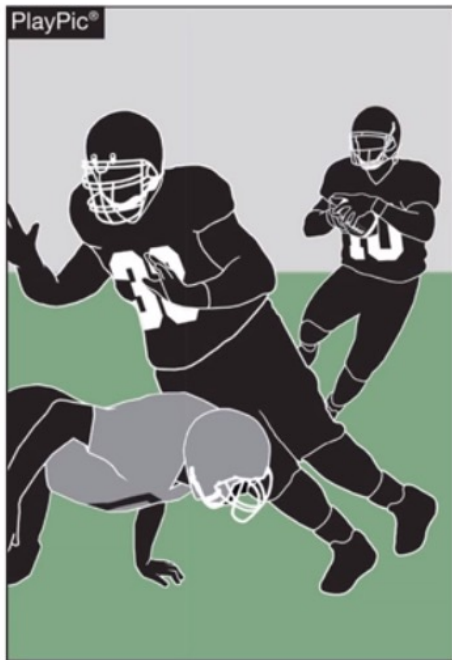
BLOCKING BELOW THE WAIST
RULES 2-17-1, 2-17-2, 2-17-4



It is legal for offensive linemen to block below the waist in the free-blocking zone, provided both players were on their lines of scrimmage and within the zone at the time of the snap and the block is an immediate, initial action following the snap. No. 77 could only block No. 62 below the waist if the block was immediate, initial action following the snap. No. 65 can block No. 93 below the waist even though No. 93 is playing off his shoulder, if the block is an immediate, initial action following the snap. No. 72 could not block No. 55 below the waist at any time during this play.

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BLOCKING BELOW THE WAIST **RULES 2-3-7, 2-17-2, 9-3-2**

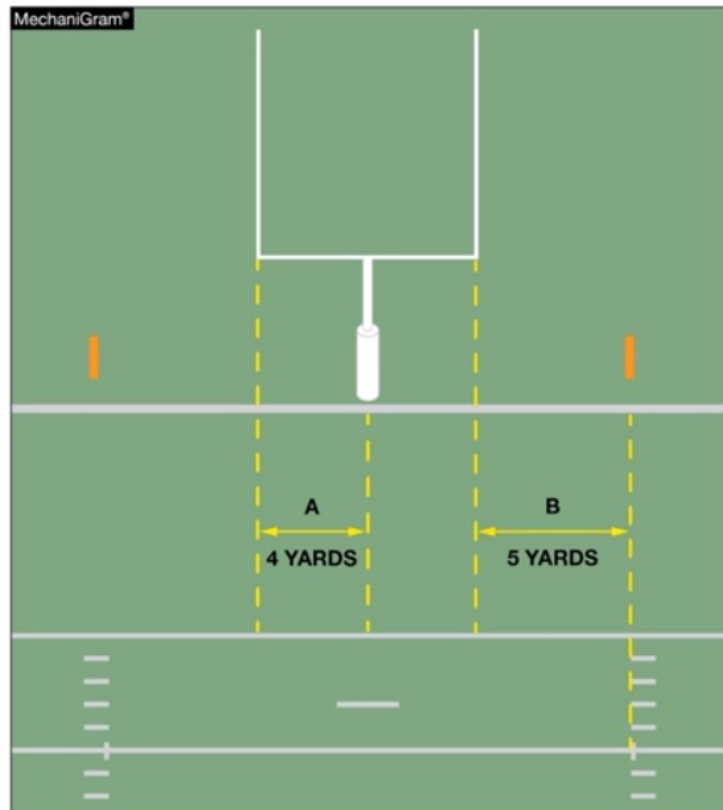


The rules regarding blocking below the waist apply equally to both teams. In the PlayPic, the defender goes below the waist outside the free-blocking zone to take out the lead blocker. This is an illegal block by the defender. A block below the waist is only legal if it occurs in the free-blocking zone, provided both players were on their lines of scrimmage and within the zone at the time of the snap and the block is an immediate, initial action following the snap.



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OFFICIATING INTENTIONAL GROUNDING

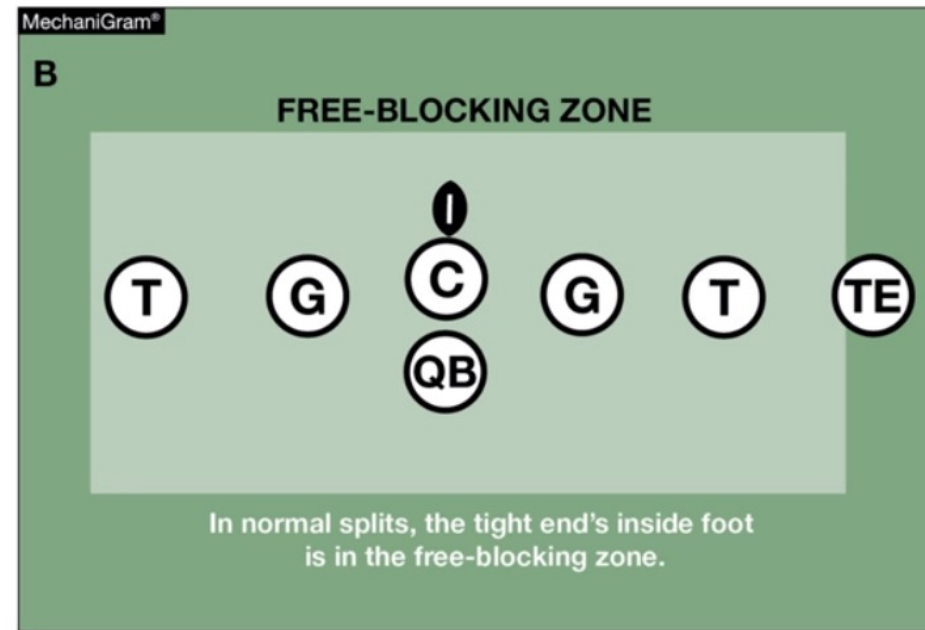
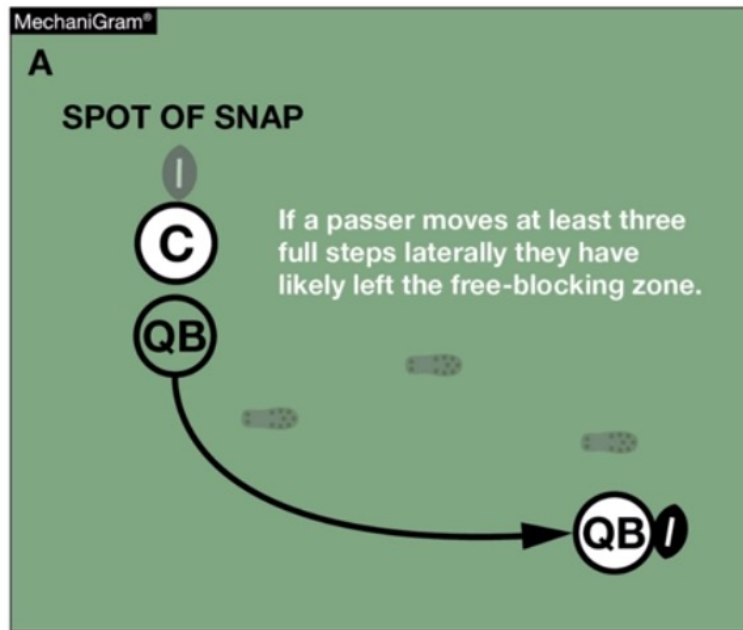


A. The goal post uprights are nearly four yards from the center of the field.

B. The distance between a hash mark and the nearest goal post upright is five yards. Should the ball be spotted on the hash mark, on a goal post upright, or in the center of the field, these become very convenient points of reference.

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OFFICIATING INTENTIONAL GROUNDING



If a passer moves at least three full steps laterally, game officials should strongly consider whether or not the passer has left the free-blocking zone.

MSHSL Information

- Retention and Recruitment
 - We need to keep officials, provide mentorship, recruit new
- Clinic Attendance
 - Required every 2 years for postseason consideration
- Mechanics Videos
 - Required for state tournament eligibility (all 5 crew members) begins soon
- Rules or Mechanics or Philosophy Questions
 - I (Royce Ruter) am your first point of contact, then Mike Graf (SE Regional Coordinator) – Mike will go to MSHSL as necessary

RAOA Educational Opportunities

- Hudl Clips
 - Can be sent to me by anyone
 - Hope to try more frequent weekly play(s) rather than longer single videos
- Weekly Quizzes
 - Focused on rules and mechanics
 - Assigned by week to a crew; rotation on the football page (raoamn.org)
- Likely Hudl Video Review, Possible Observations
- RAOA Position Training Groups