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**"You Make the Call!"**  
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Sep 10-1:01 PM

**ACTIVATOR:** Limas Senior HS (Ohio) is up by one point with three seconds left in the game and the kickoff to revival St. Francis HS (Ohio) on Friday, October 6, 2017. The rest is history!



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## Agenda



1. **Fumble and Pylons** Patriots vs. Jets 10/15/17
2. **"You Make the Call!"** Andover vs. Methuen  
(A fumble, a muff, and a foul in the end zone)
3. **"You Make the Call!"** Wakefield vs. Burlington  
(A backward pass, a muff, and foul in the field of play)

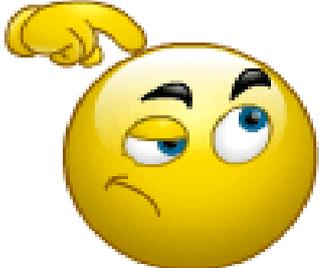
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After appeared to score a touchdown that would have cut the Patriots' lead to 24-21, but officials determined that Seferian-Jenkins fumbled the ball just prior to crossing the goal line and didn't regain possession in time for the touchdown to count. Instead, it was called a touchback and the ball was given to the Patriots. - **October 15, 2017**



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**NCAA Rule:** What until you hear this one!



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**ASSUME THIS IS A COLLEGE GAME**



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## ANSWER

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**RULING:** Because A88 touched the pylon while holding the ball, he did **NOT COMPLETE** the recovery of the fumble and the ball is declared out-of-bounds at its forward point which is in the end zone. **TOUCHBACK** First and 10 for Team B at the B-20.

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## YOU MAKE THE CALL:

A fumble, a muff, and foul in the end zone!

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Third and 10 on A-15. A20 fumbles the ball and it is "at rest" on the A-5. B14 tries to recover it, but instead muffs it into Team A's end zone. The ball is recovered their by A12 the quarterback. While ball is in end zone, B7 clips A10 in the end zone.



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## What is the call?

**Turn and talk** to the officials next to you for two minutes and come up with the correct call.



Sep 10-7:33 PM

Third and 10 on A-15. A20 fumbles the ball and it is "at rest" on the A-5. B14 tries to recover it, but instead muffs it into Team A's end zone. The ball is recovered their by A12 the quarterback. B7 clips A10 from behind in the end zone while the ball was loose.

- a) Team A's ball first and 10 at the A-30
- b) Safety
- c) Touchback (only)
- d) Touchback plus 15 yards. Team A's ball first and 10 at the A-35.
- e) Team A will decline the penalty.
- f) None of the above.

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### a) Team A's ball first and 10 at the A-30

**RULING:** B14's muff gave the ball new impetus, which caused the ball to enter into Team A's end zone; however, there was no change of possession. The basic spot is the previous spot since the run ended behind the neutral zone. So accepting the 15 yd penalty would leave the Team the ball first and 10 at the A-30. Thus, they would decline the touchback (the result of the play).

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**YOU MAKE THE CALL:**  
A backward pass, a muff, and bat in the field of play!

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Second and 10 at the A-4. Quarterback A12 in his end zone attempts a backward pass but A30 muffs it and the ball rolls into the field of play. B9 hoping to produce a touchdown, bats the ball into Team A's end zone where A30 recovers it. A30 is tackled in the end zone as he tries unsuccessfully to get out of the end zone.



Wakefield vs. Burlington

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- The result of the play is a touchdown
- The result of the play is a safety
- The result of the play is a touchback, Team A's ball at A-20
- B's batting is illegal and Team will accept the penalty
- Touchback then Team A's ball first and 10 at the A-30.
- None of the above.



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**c) The result of the play is a touchback, Team A's ball at A-20**

**RULING:** The result of the play is a touchback. B9's batting is illegal and it is a foul because it was forward. It also give the ball new impetus and make Team B responsible for the ball going into the end zone. The 10 yard penalty for the foul is governed by the 3-and-1 principle and hence is enforced from the previous spot. It is thus to Team A's advantage to take the **touchback** (first and 10 on the A-20) rather than the penalty from the previous spot (first and 10 on the A-14).

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**Thank you!**



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