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

Agenda

1. "You Make the Call!"
(A Punt Play)
2. "You Make the Call!"
(A backward pass)

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YOU MAKE THE CALL:
A Punt Play!

Sep 10-1:05 PM

Team A punts from A-20. Linebacker B10 muffs the ball back behind the neutral zone where the kicker recovers the ball at the A-15 and punts again. B20 fair catches at the A-35.



Sep 13-9:23 AM

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

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- a) The second punt is allowed because it was made behind the neutral zone before team possession has changed.
- b) B's ball first and ten after the fair catch at the A-35
- c) Both A & B are correct
- d) Team A is penalized at illegal kick spot (5 yards and loss of down)
- e) Team A will keep the ball first and ten at the end of the play
- f) None of the above.

Sep 13-9:36 AM

ANSWER

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- c) Both A & B are correct
- d) Team A is penalized for illegal kick spot (five yards and loss of down)
- e) **Team A will keep the ball first and ten at the end of the play**
- f) None of the above.

A second punt is legal when made behind the neutral zone before team possession has changed; however, the ball is immediately dead when kicker recovered the ball because the ball crossed the neutral zone. Since B10 touched the ball beyond the neutral zone, A's (the kicker) recovery is legal and continuity of downs is broken. Ball belongs to Team A, first and 10 where kicker recovered

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Division III Texas Lutheran kicker Tyler Hopkins made a chip shot field goal in perhaps the most extraordinary way possible on Saturday, September 16, 2017. Though it was apparently illegal. Hopkins' short field goal try was blocked by a Belhaven University player. But after the kick was blocked, he had the presence of mind to kick it off the bounce. The second kick went through the uprights for three points. **RULING:** Illegal kick; cannot kick a loose ball. 10 yard penalty & loss of down



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YOU MAKE THE CALL:
A Backward Pass Play!



Sep 10-1:05 PM

First and 10 at Team A-44. A7 takes the snap and pitches the ball backward to A33. B26 bursts the line, grabs A7 (at the A-40) and twirls him by his face mask (personal foul). A7's backward pass goes awry and A33 muffs the ball, recovers it at A-37 and runs to B-40



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The PENALTY for the Facemask Foul will be enforced at...

- a) Spot of the Foul (A-40)
- b) Previous Spot (A-44)
- c) Succeeding Spot (B-40)
- d) Spot of fumble recovery (A-37)
- e) None of the above - this penalty will be declined.

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ANSWER

The penalty, if accepted, is enforced from the **previous spot**. There are two running plays. A7's and A33's. The foul occurred during the first running play which ended when A33 recovered the ball. Since the related run ended behind the neutral zone, the **basic spot** is the **previous spot** - the A-40 yard line.

e) None of the above. This penalty will be declined since the second run was more than 15 yard beyond the line of scrimmage (previous spot).

Sep 14-9:08 AM

First and 10 at Team A-44. A7 takes the snap runs to the 50 and pitches the ball backward to A33. B26 grabs A7 (at the A-50) and twirls him by his face mask (personal foul). A7's backward pass goes awry and A33 muffs the ball, recovers it at A-37 and runs to B-40 (**Same play but backward pass at 50**)



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Thank you!



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Penalty Enforcement - Rule 10

Guest Speaker - **Bill Zeoli**



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Position Breakout Groups



Jack Walsh (Referee)



Al Guido (Linesman Field Judge)

Tim Hooton (Back Judge)



Jack Gilhooly (Head Linesman)



Ed Geary (Umpire)

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