



Football

WEEK #1 FOOTBALL POINTS OF CONSIDERATION

Welcome to the 2023 football season.

- OFFICIALS: What are your Pregame Responsibilities? ([Game Officials Manual—starting on page 10](#))
- REMINDER: Be prepared to take hydration breaks when deemed necessary. Don't interrupt a productive team drive. Risk Minimization should always be a priority.
- SITUATION: What is the penalty enforcement for a blindside block with forceful contact not initiated with open hands? ([2-32-16](#)) ([Penalty Summary](#)) ([9-4-3n](#)) What is the signal used for an illegal blindside block?
- DEFINITION: What is the difference between targeting and flagrant targeting? How do you handle the difference? What is the penalty for each? ([2-20-2](#); [2-16-2c](#))
- DEFINITION: What are the three indicators on recognizing a legal hit on a defenseless receiver? ([Rule 2-32-16d](#))
- QUESTION: What is the penalty enforcement for a nonplayer being outside the team box? ([9-8-3](#))
- REMINDER: ENFORCE THE TEAM BOX FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS ON THE SIDELINE. THIS IS FOR THE SAFETY OF OFFICIALS AND PLAYERS.**
- REMINDER: No player shall participate while wearing illegal equipment or not wearing required equipment! ([1-5](#))
1. Gloves need the SFIA seal, unless they are cloth gloves.
 2. Eye Shields must be clear, with no presence of tint. (No exceptions to this)
 3. Player must wear knee pads, and the knee must be covered at the start of each play.
- REMINDER: SCHOOLS, PLEASE REMEMBER TO ADD YOUR SCHEDULES AND REPORT YOUR SCORES ON THE KSHSAA WEBSITE.**
- QUESTION: What is intentional grounding? What are the requirements for legal intentional grounding? ([7-5-2](#))
- COACHES: Please talk with your players and assistant coaches about conduct on the field and on the sideline. Getting a flag or possibly being ejected from the game hurts all team members and the team.**

EXPECT SPORTSMANSHIP

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OFFICIALS AND TEAMS