

## 2024 WEEK #4 FOOTBALL POINTS OF CONSIDERATION

- SCENARIO:** K1 free-kicks the ball toward the sideline. R1 runs to sideline and intentionally steps out of bound. While still out of bounds, he intentionally touches the ball as it nears the sideline. The ball is declared dead at that spot by the covering official. **(Ruling: Illegal participation by Ri as Ri remains out of bounds when he touched the ball.) (9-6-2) Read the case play.**
- SCENARIO:** There has been a great deal of discussion related to deception plays. There is a great deal of inconsistency around the state and around the country related to interpretations. From this point further, if a player sneaks onto the field at the last second (hide-out play), even though he lines up just inside the numbers, this becomes a substitution issue if it is perceived as deceptive and immediately before the snap as stated in **Rule 9-6-4d. Continue to make good judgement.**
- ENFORCEMENT**
- SPOT:** When a penalty has previous-sport enforcement, it not only means the yard line from which the ball was last snapped or free kicked. The penalty must be enforced with consideration to the lateral position of the ball as well. **(Mechanics Manual)**
- ENFORCEMENT:** What is considered an illegal blindside block? What is the penalty enforcement? **(9-4-3n)**
- REMINDER:** Current NFHS Football Rules state that the eye shield must be “clear without the presence of any tint.” The polarized shields are not compliant with the rule.  
A Doctor does not supersede this rule. **(1-5-c4)**

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL OFFICIALS AND TEAMS**

**SCHOOLS: PLEASE ENTER SCORES AFTER EACH GAME**