



COLLEGE FOOTBALL OFFICIATING, LLC

GAMES WITHOUT INSTANT REPLAY: **HALFTIME REVIEW OF TARGETING FOULS**

When there are first-half targeting fouls in games without Instant Replay, the rules provide the option for the Referee to review the video at halftime. The decision regarding whether to exercise this option must be made at least one hour before the coin toss. If the teams are members of the same conference, then conference policy will prevail. If the teams are not from the same conference, then the two teams must arrive at a shared agreement; if either team objects to exercising this option, it will not be used.

The protocol for the review process is as follows:

1. Unless the Referee is informed prior to game day as to whether the review process will be used, he will obtain this information in his pre-game meeting with each individual head coach.

2. Assuming that the review option will be exercised, as a part of his pregame duties the Referee will meet with a representative of game management to establish the following:
 - The source of the video to be used for review, as determined by this hierarchy of availability:
 1. Television feed
 2. Internet streaming (when there is no TV)
 3. Coach's video (when there is neither TV nor Internet streaming)
 4. Other source (when none of the above is available)
 - Only one source of video may be used.
 - The location of the secure area and security arrangements that will be available at halftime for the review.
 - Identification of the individual who will provide technical assistance to the officiating crew for the review.

3. The Referee will conduct the review under the fundamental assumption of Instant Replay: the ruling on the field is correct and may be reversed only on the basis of indisputable video evidence.
4. The decision of the Referee is final and may not be appealed.
5. Upon arriving at a decision, the Referee will inform each head coach as soon as possible of the outcome of the review—i.e., whether the player in question will be allowed to return to the game for the second half.
6. Prior to the second-half kickoff the Referee will announce to the stadium the outcome of the review.

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