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The 2021 Shaw / Blandino Weekly Quiz

Week 4

This quiz is being provided on a weekly basis to promote robust crew discussions and further individual rules study. It is in no way intended to be official play interpretations, as those are contained within Part II of the 2021 NCAA Football Rules and are updated by official CFO Play Interpretation Bulletins when released during the season. These quizzes will be released on Thursday of each game week, with answers being provided on the following Monday.

The first eight questions are focused around on-field rulings, and the final two questions are focused on Instant Replay. All officials should be familiar with and work both sets of questions.

Answer each on-field question by giving **THESE FOUR ITEMS** of information for the **next time the ball is to be put in play**:

Team in possession

Down and distance (or Free Kick or Try)

Yard line of succeeding spot

Game clock status (Ready/ Snap / Running / FK Rules / No Clock / 10-Second Runoff)

For Replay Questions, complete the answer with the **outcome** and any **replay reasoning**.

1. 4/10 @ 50. Team A's windblown scrimmage kick is on its downward flight at Team B's 30-yard line. B18, starting at the 20-yard line, must detour around A92 at the 25-yard line to make the catch at the 30-yard line.

RULING: B, 1/10, B-40, Snap.

Foul by A92 for interference with the opportunity to catch a kick. Penalty—15 yards from the spot of the foul, which is the 25-yard line (Rule 6-4-1 & AR 6-4-1 IX).

2. 3/10 @ B-30. B20 intercepts a legal forward pass in his end zone. B20 then fumbles the ball while still in the end zone and the ball rolls forward and out of bounds on Team B's two-yard line.

RULING: B, 1/10, B-20, Snap.

When a fumble goes out of bounds between the goal lines in advance of the spot of the fumble, the ball belongs to Team B at the spot of the fumble which is Team B's end zone (Rule 7-2-4-b). The result of the play is a touchback (Rule 8-6-1-a).

3. 3/10 @ B-30. B20 intercepts a legal forward pass on his three-yard line, and his momentum carries him into his end zone. B20 then fumbles the ball while still in the end zone and the ball rolls forward and out of bounds on Team B's two-yard line.

RULING: B, 1/10, B-3, Snap.

When a fumble goes out of bounds between the goal lines in advance of the spot of the fumble the ball belongs to Team B at the spot of the fumble which is in Team B's end zone (Rule 7-2-4-b). The momentum exception applies (Rule 8-5-1-a Exception c) so the ball is placed at the B-3 with 1st down for Team B.

4. 3/10 @ B-30. B20 intercepts a legal forward pass at the B-3 and retreats into his end zone (no momentum). B20 then fumbles the ball while still in the end zone and the ball rolls forward and out of bounds on Team B's two-yard line.

RULING: Safety, score 2 points for Team A. B, Free Kick, B-20, FK Rules.

When a fumble goes out of bounds between the goal lines in advance of the spot of the fumble the ball belongs to Team B at the spot of the fumble which is in Team B's end zone (Rule 7-2-4-b). With no momentum, Team B is responsible for the ball being in the end zone and the result of the play is a safety (Rule 8-5-1-a).

5. Free Kick @ A-35. Receiver B88 gives a fair catch signal while the kick is in the air and muffs the kick while standing two yards deep in his own end zone. The ball rolls forward into the field of play and out of bounds at the B-2.

RULING: B, 1/10, B-2, Snap.

The kick is first touched by B88 (not untouched, Rule 6-1-7) so when the ball first strikes the ground in the end zone it remains a live ball. The ball rolls back into the field of play and is then out of bounds at the B-2 so the ball belongs to Team B at the inbounds spot (Rule 6-2-2).

6. Free Kick @ A-35. Receiver B88 gives a fair catch signal while the kick is in the air and muffs the kick while standing two yards deep in his own end zone. The ball lands in the end zone, rolls laterally and is out of bounds in the end zone.

RULING: Touchback. B, 1/10, B-25, Snap.

The kick is first touched by B88 (not untouched, Rule 6-1-7) so when the ball first strikes the ground in the end zone it remains a live ball. When the ball rolls out of bounds, the ball belongs to the receiving team (Rule 6-2-2) and since the free kick becomes dead behind the defending team's goal line and the kicking team is responsible for the ball being there, it is a touchback (Rule 8-6-1-b). The ball belongs to Team B at the 25-yard line (Rule 8-6-2).

7. 2/5 @ A-30. A21 fumbles the ball at the A-32, which strikes the ground and bounces high in the air. B44 receives the ball while off the ground at the A-30, gains firm control of the ball at that point and returns to the ground out of bounds at the A-28. B44 crosses the sideline at the A-29.

RULING: A, 3/6, A-29, Ready.

B44 did not complete the recovery of the fumble as he did not get a body part down inbounds (Rule 2-4-3-g). This is a fumble that goes out of bounds behind the spot of the fumble, so the ball belongs to the fumbling team at the out of bounds spot (Rule 7-2-4-b-2). The out of bounds spot is the spot where the ball crossed the sideline (Rule 4-2-3-c).

8. 4/10 @ A-3. Team A's untouched punt from its end zone goes out of bounds at Team A's 40-yard line. A21, while in his end zone, clips B50 before the ball is kicked.

RULING: Safety – A, Free Kick, A-20, FK Rules -or- B, 1/10, A-25, Snap.

A21's foul occurred in the end zone, so the penalty is a safety (Rule 9-1 Penalty). The penalty may also be enforced from the A-40 which is where the subsequent dead ball belongs to team B (Rule 6-3-13).

9. 3/1 @ B-41. With 12:00 remaining in the 4th quarter, back A2 runs to the B-38 where he is tackled, and the ball comes loose. The Umpire comes in and signals that A2 was down and blows his whistle. B78 then recovers the ball in the continuing action at the B-37. Replays show A2 was not down prior to losing possession.

RULING: B 1/10 @ B-37, no clock adjustment, snap. If the ball is recovered in the continuing action replay can award possession to the recovering team regardless of a signal or whistle by any official. No clock adjustment outside 2/5.

10. 2/13 @ A-22. With 8:05 remaining in the 1st quarter QBA12 scrambles to the A-35 where he is tackled, and the officials rule 1st down. The line feed shows A12's right knee down with the ball at the A-34 1/2. The offense is going to the line and TV is not showing any replays.

RULING: A 1/10 @ A-35. This is not a significant situation nor an obvious mistake that TV is highlighting so game should not be stopped. 3rd or 4th down the line to gain would be important.