2022 Rules Knowledge Quiz #2 Answers

1. A free kick at the A-40. B85 catches the kick at the B-4 and returns it to the B-22 where he is hit and fumbles the ball. A1 dives towards the loose ball and recovers it at the B-25 with his left foot out of bounds. A91 was offside on the kick.

Ruling: B 1/10 at the B-27, snap. A1 is out of bounds with his left foot when he recovers the ball. Therefore we have a fumble forward out of bounds, which will be returned to the B-22 and the OFK by A91 will be enforced from that spot or Rekick at the A-35.

2. A 4/7 at the A-40. A1's punt is a shank and goes out of bounds over the sideline at the B-30. B37 held during the kick at midfield. Team A was in an illegal formation at the snap.

Ruling: Two Options on this one....... B 1/10 at the B-20, snap after PSK enforcement of the OH by B37 or A 4/7 at the A-40, snap...... Offset both the OH by B37 and the ILF by Team A.

3. A 3/6 at the B-34. A1's legal forward pass is completed to A88 who runs to the B-2 where he fumbles. The ball rolls into the end zone and across the end line. B99 roughed QB A1 on the play.

Ruling: A 1/G at the B-1. Enforce the RPS from the B-2.... Most (85%) marked this from previous spot. Even though the result of the play is a touchback; Team B would need to be in physical possession of the football to mark the RPS from previous spot. This penalty would be enforced half the distance from the end of the last run.

4. A 4/10 at the A-30. Punter A50 muffs the snap, picks up the loose ball and runs outside the right hash. Just

as A50 drops the ball in an attempt to kick the ball, B99 grabs him by the jersey and throws him to the ground. A50 misses the ball, and the ball hits the ground at the A-20 where it is recovered by A80, who takes two steps and punts the ball downfield. The ball goes out of bounds at the B-30.

Ruling: B 1/10 at the A-20

Fourth down fumble rule is in effect and by rule this is a fumble and should be returned to the A-20. Clock will start on the snap.

THIS WEEK WE HAD OUR BIGGEST NUMBERS FOR PARTICIPATION AT 161 OFFICIALS; 152 OF THESE OFFICIALS MADE THIS A LEGAL PLAY and made it B 1/10 at the B-30. While there is nothing illegal that happens on the play; we do need to recognize that this is a fumble and understand the 4th down fumble rule. These are the kind of plays that make us (THE PARTICIPANTS) better. We always need to consider; what is the real result of the play.

5. A 3/7 at the B-30. A84 voluntarily runs out of bounds at the B-25 but immediately returns inbounds at his first opportunity. B31 runs in front of A84 at the B-3 as a legal forward pass is thrown to him. B31 tips the ball which is then caught by A84 in Team B's end zone.

Ruling: Touchdown for Team A; Try at the B-3. B 1/10 at the A-20, snap. A84 did re-establish inbounds and became eligible to touch the pass once a Team B player touched the legal forward pass. (Much to popular belief A84 does not remain ineligible for the entire play once he steps out)....... there are exceptions that will make the player eligible again.