

CWPA Online Referee Education

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Topic: Unusual Situations Part II

There are 7 video clips in this presentation that depict various Unusual Situations. The application of the NCAA Rules that are relevant are noted in the description of each clip. Situations in games do not always get ruled correctly or consistently. This presentation is not intended to be a reflection on any official. Many of the views are not the same as what the referee observes. When evaluating these clips time was spent reviewing each one several times and in slow-motion. Each official has a fraction of seconds to see, react and make a decision. These clips are meant to help referees understand how situations occur from start to finish so in the future they will be better educated to deal with similar situations when encountered. Attempting to be consistent in applying the rules as written should be a top priority.

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1-Exclusion Foul-2 Players Leaving

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P4 area the defender attacks the offensive player with her hand on the ball and releasing the ball. The defenders left arm makes contact with her opponents head (player safety issue) and an exclusion foul is called as she drops toward the CF to double up on defense. As the referee points and signals the number, the CFD is in the same area and thinks the foul is on her. Thus two defenders commense to leave the field of play. The referees call for the ball, reset the clocks, make sure the correct player leaves the field of play and gives the ball back to the dark cap team. This is a correct application of Rule 7 Exclusion Fouls Section 2 Art. 3 on page 49

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2-Exclusion Foul_2 players leave Incorrect Rule Application

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[Exclusion Foul](#)

The attack referee calls an ordinary foul on the CFD. The drop defender from the P4 position flips the ball away in front of the CF and is excluded. The referee's signal was clear but the CFD thought that she was excluded so both players commense to leave the field of play. This left the CF unguarded and she receives a quick pass from P4, shooting the ball and scoring the goal. However, the attack referee nullifies the goal, calls for the ball and has the clocks reset. The ball is then given back to the offense. The coach protests the ruling by yelling at the officials. Rule 7 Exclusion Fouls Section 2 Art. 3 was incorrectly applied because a quick goal was scored. The clause, "should correct the situation if a goal has not been scored." should apply. It should be noted that the advantage is with the offensive team and a timely quick goal should be counted. However, this situation should not linger for more than five seconds. It should be very clear that a quick goal is not eminent before stopping play. If the referee's signals are clear it is the players responsibility to know who has been excluded. The exclusion may create an advantage for the offense to score a quick goal rather than have to engage in a power play where the percentages can be less than 50% for a scoring opportunity.

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3-M-Unusual_Goal Is Pulled Down

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The goalkeeper pulls down the goal figuring he has a better chance of stopping a penalty throw rather than a break-a-way counterattack. Rule 8 Penalty Fouls Section 2 item a. Fig 18 applies. However, Section 5 Pulling Over Goal also applies. It is a penalty foul and game exclusion. The substitute may enter the field of play after the earliest occurrence of an event described in Rule 7-3

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4-Splashing

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Splashing intentionally is often disguised by the defensive player attempting to make it look like a swimming stroke. However, it is easy to spot a low swinging straight arm hitting the water early creating a splash or using the hand and forearm to push a spray of water toward their opponent. Rule 7 Exclusion Fouls Section 7 Splashing Intentionally applies.

To splash in the face of an opponent intentionally.

"Note 1: Splashing is frequently used as an unfair tactic but is often only penalized in the obvious situation when players are facing one another (Fig. 13). However, it can also occur less obviously when a player produces a curtain of water with an arm, seemingly without deliberate intent, in an attempt to block the view of the opponent who is about to shoot at goal or to make a pass."

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5-CFD Using Player to Block Shot

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Watch the CFD use his opponent holding and sinking to block a shot on goal. Rule 8 Penalty Fouls Section 1. When Awarded

"It shall be a penalty foul to commit any of the following offenses in Rule 8-2 to Rule 8-8, which shall be punished by the award of a penalty throw to the opposing team."

Many times in these situations there is a lot going on which requires the officials to be very focused not just on the ball but the defensive players and watching how they adjust to the offenses play. The ball was deflected out of bounds called on the goalie so it became a corner throw. The advantage of slow motion shows the ball was deflected off the hand of the CFD. In addition, he leveraged his opponent by holding and sinking him to gain added height to deflect the shot. If caught this would be a Penalty Foul according to the rules as written.

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6-Unusual Faceoff

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A shot is taken on goal and rebounds off the cross-bar and deflects upward to bounce off the 3M diving board and then onto the pool deck. What would your call be?

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Section 7. Neutral Throws—When Awarded

A neutral throw shall be awarded:

a. When, at the start of a period, a referee is of the opinion that the ball has fallen in a position to the definite advantage of one team;

- b. When one or more players of opposing teams commit an ordinary foul at the same moment that makes it impossible for the referees to distinguish which player offended first;
- c. When both referees blow their whistles at the same moment to award ordinary fouls to the opposing teams;
- d. When neither team has possession of the ball and one or more players of opposing teams commit an exclusion foul at the same moment. The neutral throw shall be taken after the offending players have been excluded; or
- e. When the ball strikes or lodges in an overhead obstruction.

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7-Double Exclusion-2

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Watch the counter-attack and you will see two players getting into some physical contact. From the referee's view at deck level I am sure he had a hard time determining who the instigator was, therefore using a double exclusion to resolve the situation. Watching the clip in review it is clear that the white cap defensive player was unnecessarily swimming into the offensive player trying to counter. It was had enough to cause the dark cap player to respond in kind and some more. If this type of situation is not penalized the level of physicality in a game can escalate quickly. Don't rule out a MAM or Misconduct when dealing with physical acts that are not within the spirit of the game.