

May 2011 MFOA Rules Test

Answer Key

SCRIMMAGE KICKS...

1. 4th & 8 on A's 40. The snap goes over the punters outstretched arms. While he is chasing the ball, a Team B defender holds a Team A "flyer" on A's 45. Team A recovers the ball, circles around and punts the ball from A's 17. Team B receiver catches the punt on B's 47 and is downed on A's 49. Clock?

B 1/10 @ B37. The clock starts on the snap.

2. 4th & 8 from B's 45. A4 punts. Team B player bats the rolling ball from B's 6 into B's end zone. Team B player recovers the ball in B's end zone and advances to B's 7 where he is downed. A Team B blocker holds on B's 8 during the kick and before the bat by B33. Clock?

B 1/10 @ B4. The clock starts on the snap.

3. 4th & 10 on A's 20. The score is tied. Team A's punt is illegally touched by a Team A player on B's 42, then picked up on B's 39 by a Team B player who runs five yards and fumbles. Team A recovers and picks up the fumble dragging a defender to Team B's goal line between the hash marks. The covering official signals a touchdown. During Team A's run, a Team B player has an incidental facemask in making the tackle. 4-seconds remain in the 4th quarter. Replay shows the Team A runner was downed on B's 1/2. Team B is coming out of the huddle to snap the ball on B's 42. Clock?
Reviewable?

B 1/10 @ B42. The incidental facemask is not a foul. Clock starts on the snap.

4. 4th & 9 on A's 40. Team B nose guard is offside. Team A punts. Team B receiver signals for a fair catch, catches the ball on B's 25 and advances. Team A player tackles the Team B runner on B's 35 by jerking his facemask. Clock?

A 1/10 @ A35. The clock starts on the snap.

5. 4th & 5 on A's 30. Team A punts. Team B player is in position to catch the punt on B's 34. A Team A flyer contacts this receiver on B's 34 just prior to the Team B player muffing the punt. The ball is rolling on B's 32 when an inadvertent whistle sounds.

B 1/10 @ B49. The clock starts on the snap.

6. 4th & 7 on A's 34. Team A's punt is muffed by a Team A player who voluntarily stepped on the sideline while running downfield and recovers the ball on B's 36.

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A 4/12 @ A29 or B 1/10 @ B41. The clock starts on the snap.

7. 4th & 10 @ A's 30. Team A's rugby style punter takes 3 steps to his right and punts the ball. Team B receiver makes a valid fair catch at the B30. While the Team A punter is running to his right the Team A center blocks the nose guard below the waist.

B 1/10 @ B45 or A 4/25 @ A15.

8. 4th & 10 @ A's 30. Team A's rugby style punter takes 3 steps to his right and punts the ball. Prior to Team B catching the punt, a Team B player in front of the receiver blocks his opponent below the waist. Team B receiver catches the punt at the B30 and returns it for a touchdown.

B 1/10 @ B15.

9. 4th and 8 @ B's 33. Team A is in a scrimmage kick formation to attempt a field goal. One second or more pass following the snap when the Team B nose guard initiates contact with snapper by grabbing and pulling him so that the Team B linebacker may run through the vacated area. The kick is unsuccessful. Clock?

A 1st and 10 @ B's 23; clock on the snap.

10. 4th and 10 @ A's 35. The snap sails over Team A's punter head. The ball is rolling at A's 16 when the punter kicks the ball forward. The Team A right guard recovers the ball on A's 38 and advances to B's 42 where he is downed. Clock?

B 1st and goal @ A's 8; clock on the snap.

11. 4th and 4 @ A's 30. Team A is in a scrimmage kick formation. Team A player #32, an exception to the mandatory numbering rule, lines up inside Team A end #82. Before the snap #82 shifts to a backfield position. Team A has seven linemen at the snap. Team A's punt goes out of bounds on B's 39.

A 4th and 9 @ A's 25 or B 1st and 10 @ B's 44.

12. 4th and 4 @ A's 30. Team A is in a scrimmage kick formation. Team A player #32, an exception to the mandatory numbering rule, lines up inside Team A end #82. Before the snap #82 shifts to a backfield position. Team A has seven linemen at the snap. Team A's punt is touched by a Team A player @ B's 45 yard line and goes out of bounds on B's 39.

B 1st and 10 @ B's 45; not tack on; or A 4/9 @ A25

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13. 3rd and 4 @ B's 8. The score is A27-B28. Ten seconds remain in the fourth quarter. Team A's field goal attempt is blocked and simultaneously recovered by the Team A center and Team B nose guard on B's 12. Four seconds remain on the clock.

B 1st and 10 @ B's 12-yard line; clock on the snap.

14. 3rd and 4 @ B's 10. The score is A27-B28. Ten seconds remain in the fourth quarter. Team A's field goal attempt is blocked and recovered by the Team A center on B's 12. Four seconds remain on the clock.

A 4th and 6 @ B's 12-yard line; clock on the snap.

RUNNING PLAYS...

15. 3rd and 2 @ B's 16. Team A QB pitches the ball backward to the running back who muffs the ball on B's 18 and the ball rolls forward and out of bounds on B's 13. During the backward pass, Team A right guard held on B's 17. Clock?

A 3rd and 12 @ B's 26; clock on the ready for play.

16. 3rd and 8 @ B's 40. Team A QB pitches the ball backward to the running back who muffs the ball on B's 46 and the ball rolls forward and out of bounds on B's 39. Clock?

A 4th and 7 @ B's 39; clock on the ready for play.

17. 2nd and 8 @ A's 38. Team A QB takes the snap and stumbles. The ball comes loose when the QB attempts to maintain his balance by holding the ball on the ground on A's 32. Team B defensive tackle recovers on A's 34 while grounded.

B 1st and 10 @ A's 34.

18. Try @ B's 3. Team A runner advances and fumbles on B's 2. The ball rolls into B's end zone where a Team B linebacker bats the ball over the end line.

Replay the try from B's 1 yard line [end of the run].

19. 3rd and 8 @ A's 42. The game clock is running. Team A has several substitutes who linger in the huddle making it difficult for the defense to recognize legality. At about the time that the Team B coach requests a timeout, Team A breaks the huddle with more than 11 players and a flag is thrown. Timeout? Clock?

A 3rd and 13 @ A's 37-yard line; clock on the ready (Ignore the Team B timeout).

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20. 3rd & 22 @ A's 10. Team A running back muffs a handoff from QB on A's 8. A Team B defender deliberately kicks the loose ball on A's 6. Team A QB recovers on A's 3 and is downed on A's 19.

A 3rd and 12 @ A's 20 yard line.

21. 2nd and 10 @ B's 18 at the left hash mark. Team A QB drops back to pass. Team B defensive guard tackles the QB by grabbing and jerking his face mask on B's 27. The QB is downed at the right hash mark on B's 24 without throwing the ball. Include hash.

A 1st and goal @ B's 9-yard line, left hash mark.

22. 3rd and 8 @ B's 24. The score is A28-B27. Team A QB muffs the snap. Team B tackle recovers, runs toward A's goal line and fumbles on A's 6. A Team A player recovers on A's 2 and his momentum carries him into A's end zone where he is downed. Time expires in the second half during the down.

Momentum: Team A wins 28-27.

23. 2nd & 8 @ B's 42 with 8 seconds remaining in the 4th quarter. The score is A12-B14. Team A runner advances to B's 2 where he is downed. Time expires during the down. Team B nose guard is flagged for unsportsmanlike conduct during the Team A run.

A 1st and goal @ B's 1-yard line; untimed down.

24. 4th and 4 @ B's 13. Team A running back takes a handoff and slants to B's 10 where he is downed. Team B defensive end was offside at the snap. Clock?

A 1st and goal @ B's 8-yard line; clock on the ready for play.

25. 2nd and goal @ B's 1. Team A QB muffs the snap. Team B defensive end recovers and advances to A's 4 where he is downed. Team A was in an illegal formation. The Team B nose guard commits a block in the back foul on A's 2 during the Team B run.

B 1st and 10 @ A's 14-yard line.

26. 2nd and 9 @ B's 49. Team A runner is near the sideline on B's 38 when a Team B player bats the ball from his possession. The Team A runner runs a few steps out of bounds [without the ball], returns inbounds, recovers the ball on B's 29 and advances the ball across B's goal line.

Touchdown for Team A.

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PASSING PLAYS/ ROUGHING THE PASSER.....

27. 3rd and 10 @ A's 6. Team A tight end catches a legal forward pass and advances to A's 22 where he is downed. Team A right tackle holds a Team B defender on A's 2 and continues to hold him until he drags him to the ground in A's end zone.

A 3rd and 13 @ A's 3; previous spot foul.

28. 3rd and 6 @ A's 44. Team A QB is flushed out of the pocket (outside the offensive tackle) and is under duress when he throws a forward pass from A's 36. The ball crosses the sideline on A's 40 and lands in the lower deck on A's 48 extended. Team A right guard is standing on B's 48 when the pass is thrown.

Not a foul; A 4th and 6 @ A's 44.

29. 3rd and 6 @ A's 44. Team A QB is flushed out of the pocket (outside the offensive tackle) and is under duress when he throws a forward pass from A's 36. The ball crosses the sideline on A's 46 and lands in the lower deck on A's 48 extended. Team A right guard is standing on B's 48 when the pass is thrown.

3rd and 11 @ A's 39 or 4th and 6 @ A's 44.

If accepted, ineligible downfield; 5-yard penalty previous spot and repeat the down.

30. 3rd and 5 @ B's 26. Airborne Team B defender controls a legal forward pass in B's end zone and is then driven forward by A87's tackle to B's 2 where he first comes to the ground and is downed.

B 1st and 10 @ B's 2 yard line.

31. 2nd and 15 @ A's 4. Team A QB drops back to pass, has to scramble and is sacked in his end zone. While the QB was still in the pocket, before his scramble, a Team B linebacker blocked the tight end below the waist on A's 6.

A 1st and 10 @ A's 19; clock on the snap.

32. 3rd and 8 @ B's 30. Team A QB's legal forward pass is muffed by a Team B player near the sideline. Team A wide receiver voluntarily goes out of bounds to get around the Team B player. The wide receiver jumps, grasps the ball while airborne, lands in the field of play and advances for a touchdown.

Touchdown for Team A.

33. Try @ B's 3. The score is A20-B21. Time expired in the 4th quarter during Team A's touchdown run. Team A QB completes a forward pass to the tight end in B's end zone. The pass was thrown from B's 2.

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Loss of down results in Team B winning 21-20; game is over.

34. 4th and 10 on B's 30. Team A wide receiver catches legal forward pass and is downed in-bounds on B's 24. Team B nose guard roughs the passer. Clock status?

A's ball, 1st and 10 @ B's 12. Enforce from the end of A's run; clock on the ready for play.

35. 4th and 10 @ B's 30. Team A wide receiver catches legal forward pass and fumbles on B's 22. The ball rolls out of bounds on B's 26-yard line. The defensive end roughs the passer. Clock status?

A's ball, 1st and 10 @ B's 11. Enforce from end of A's run; clock on the ready for play.

36. 4th and 10 @ B's 30. Team A tight end catches legal forward pass and fumbles on B's 4. The fumble rolls through B's end zone. The defensive tackle roughs the QB. Clock status?

A's ball 1st and goal @ B's 2. Enforce from the end of A's run; clock on the snap.

37. 4th and 10 on B's 30. Team A tight end catches legal forward pass and fumbles on B's 22. Team B linebacker recovers on B's 24 while grounded. Team B nose guard roughs the passer. Clock status?

A's ball, 1st and 10 @ B's 15. Enforce from the previous spot; clock on the ready for play.

38. 3rd and 10 @ B's 30. Team A wide receiver catches legal forward pass and fumbles on B's 22. Team A tackle recovers on B's 26 while grounded. Team B defensive end roughs the passer. Clock status?

A's ball, 1st and 10 @ B's 13. Enforce from end of last run; clock on the ready for play.

39. 4th and 10 @ B's 30. The score is A25-B28. Team A wide receiver catches a legal forward pass, advances and fumbles on B's 4. Team A center recovers the ball in Team B's end zone. Team B defensive end roughs the passer. Two seconds remain in the fourth quarter. Clock status?

A 1st and goal @ B's 2; clock on the ready for play.

40. 3rd and 4 @ B's 8. The score is A27-B28 with five seconds remaining in the fourth quarter. Team A is in a scrimmage kick formation. The Team A holder rises at B's 15-

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yard line to catch a high snap and immediately grounds the ball with a forward pass. Two seconds remain on the clock. Clock status?

A 4th and 4 @ B's 8; clock on the snap.

MULTIPLE FOULS...

41. A's ball 4th & 16 on A's 44. Team B defensive end dives to block the kick and roughs the kicker without touching the kick. After the contact, the kick is blocked by the Team B nose guard. The kick does not cross the neutral zone. The Team B defensive tackle bats the ball forward from A's 32 where the defensive end picks up the ball on A's 26 and advances to A's 20 where he pitches the ball forward to a teammate who advances across Team A's goal line.

A 1st & 10 @ B41

42. A's ball 4th & 16 on A's 44. Team B defensive end blocks the kick. The kick does not cross the neutral zone. Team B defensive tackle bats the ball forward from A's 32 where the defensive end picks up the ball on A's 26 and advances to A's 20 where he pitches the ball forward to a teammate who advances across the Team A goal line. Clock status?

A 4th & 6 @ B46; clock on snap.

43. A's try @ B's 3. The score is tied 27-27 with time expired in the 4th quarter. Team A's kick is blocked, recovered by Team B defensive end and advanced across Team A's goal line. During B's run, the Team B nose guard commits a block in the back foul. Team A had six players on the line of scrimmage (five players in the backfield). Team B defensive end was offside.

A. Offsetting fouls before the try; replay the try from the B3.

44. 2nd & 14 @ A's 28. Team A right guard commits a false start. Team B nose guard reacts and commits a personal foul when he slams the right guard to the ground. Team A is lined up in an illegal formation.

A 1st & 10 @ A38

45. 2nd & 14 @ A's 28. Team A right guard commits a false start. Team B nose guard reacts and commits a personal foul when he slams the right guard to the ground. Team A QB is flagged for unsportsmanlike conduct reacting to the Team B penalty.

A 2nd & 19 @ A's 23; personal foul & unsportsmanlike offset.

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46. 1st & 10 @ B's 45. On the last timed down of the 4th quarter of a tied game, Team B defensive back intercepts a long pass on B's 3 and advances to A's 22 where he is pulled down by the facemask. During B's run, the Team B nose guard blocked an opponent below the waist on B's 20 and committed a flagrant personal foul on A's 24 for kicking his opponent.

Decline all fouls and go to the extra period; DQ the Team B nose guard.

FREE KICKS...

47. Free kick from the K30 goes out of bounds untouched at the 50-yard line. The receiving team opts to take the ball 1st and 10.

R's ball 1st and 10 @ K's 45 yard line.

48. Free kick from the K30 goes out of bounds untouched at the R 30-yard line.

R's ball 1st and 10 @ R's 40 or rekick from K's 25-yard line.

49. Free kick from the K30 results in a touchback for R. K was offside on the kickoff.

R's ball 1st and 10 @ R25 or rekick from the K's 25-yard line.

50. K recovers their onside kick at K's 42 but was offside on the kickoff.

K will rekick from K's 25-yard line following the 5-yard penalty enforcement.

51. K recovers their onside kick at K's 39-yard line. The kick was untouched by R. K was offside on the kickoff.

R's ball 1st and 10 @ K's 34-yard line.

52. K is offside on the kickoff from K's 30-yard line. During the return, R illegally blocks in the back at R's 15-yard line. R fumbles at the R20 and K recovers at the R22.

Offset and rekick from K's 30-yard line.

53. K blocks R before the onside kick from the K30 travels 10-yards and before the kick is touched by R. K recovers the kick at K's 45-yard line.

K will rekick following the 5-yard penalty from K's 25-yard line.

54. K blocks R before the onside kick from the K30 travels 10-yards and before the kick is touched by R. K recovers the kick at K's 38-yard line.

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R's ball 1st and 10 @ K's 33-yard line.

55. K blocks R before the onside kick from the K30 travels 10-yards and before the kick is touched by R. R recovers the kick @ K's 38-yard line.

R's ball 1st and 10 @ K's 33-yard line.