



2011 NFHS Football Case Book Clarifications

(Underlining shows additions; ~~strikethrough~~ shows deletions.)

Page 59, *7.5.13 SITUATION A: Ineligible receiver A2 is behind, in or beyond his neutral zone when a forward pass by A1: (a) accidentally strikes him in the back; or (b) is muffed by him; or (c) is caught by him. **RULING:** In (a), there is no illegal touching, however, if beyond the line of scrimmage, it would be offensive pass interference if the game officials judge that the offensive player interfered with B's chance to move toward, catch or bat the pass. In (b) and (c), it is illegal touching and if beyond the line of scrimmage, would also be offensive pass interference. The acts in both (b) and (c) are intentional and not accidental as in (a) as it relates to illegal touching. Although ineligible downfield could also be called, the offended team will likely choose the most severe penalty to be applied.

Page 74, *9.4.3 SITUATION P: ...**RULING:** Each of these plays are running plays, so the foul is enforced from the end of the run. In (a) it will be enforced from the 50, making it first and 10 for A at the B35; in (b) the foul is enforced from the A25, making it first and 10 for A at the B A40; in (c) the touchdown is scored and A has the option of enforcing the foul on the try or the subsequent kickoff.

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