

Line Judge Mechanics Quiz 2009

1. The LJ is to contact person responsible for the national anthem and ensure it is concluded 15 minutes prior to kick off. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
2. Your position on free kicks is between the 5 to 15 yard lines near the sideline. (Move up 20 yds. for free kicks following safeties.) (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
3. On obvious short kicks, move to "R" free kick line opposite HL, when requested by R. Be prepared to rule on first touching. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
4. Before every play, verify the down number and position of the box is correct. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
5. Count players of the defense and give count signal to R. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
6. During a pass play: a) be ready to rule on direction of quick QB pass towards you; b) move downfield with eligible receivers, observing action around them. When pass is incomplete in your area, sound whistle, give incomplete pass signal followed by time-out signal. Help in retrieving ball if necessary. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
7. On goal line plays ball snapped on or inside "B's"3 yd. line, communicate to BJ or U if you want them to rule on forward progress from their position to the location of snap. The request must be acknowledged and accepted by BJ or U. Move to goal line after snap to determine progress when necessary. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
8. Assist BJ ruling on fair catch signal. Observe action of signaler when no fair catch is made. Bean bag any first touching observed. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
9. You are not responsible to cover all kicks on the field. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
10. On field goals and trys take a position behind upright on your side of the field. Responsible for your uprights, crossbar and any ball contact on that section. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
11. Inform coach on your side of the length of half time and time to return to the field. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
12. Accompany captain(s) to the center of the field. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
13. Measurement -Move to a position on HL sideline near the box. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
14. Measurement – Take a position with ball. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
15. Measurement- Give timeout signal. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
16. At the end of the first and third quarters, you are to observe and go with teams to other end of the field. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
17. At the end of the first and third quarters, stop at the approximate yard line and assist players in huddling near proper yard line if necessary. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____

18. Penalty enforcement is the responsibility of R and U to check. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
19. Communicate penalty information to players only. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
20. During a time out, move to a position to observe conference. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
21. During a time out, be alert for substitutes and substitutes for deception. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
22. Notify the R when 50 seconds of the timeout have elapsed. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
23. Have uniform clean, neat, and you can polish your shoes during pre-game if your shoes are not shined. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
24. The supervisor of officials is responsible for getting your game assignment. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
25. We are to enter the field 45 minutes prior to kick off. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
26. If the ball is legally touched in your area, start the clock. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
27. The covering official should actually see the ball in possession of runner who is down or whose forward progress is stopped or ball out of bounds before sounding his whistle. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
28. Back up time out signal given by fellow official where/when appropriate. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
29. Whenever a fumble occurs, the covering official will mark the spot of the fumble with his beanbag. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
30. Verify the correct down on every play and communicate with at least 2 other officials. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
31. On all scrimmage plays the LJ is to count only the player on his side of the snapper and signal that number to the HL. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
32. As LJ for field goals and tries we should sound whistle when the attempt is ended. Confer with BJ, step forward and give proper signal. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
33. Escort the disqualified player to the sideline and inform the coach of his disqualification. Ask the coach for the disqualified player's name. **NOTE: Officials are not to touch a player in this situation.** (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
34. All officials are to mark their game cards with disqualification information. (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____
35. On obvious short free kicks, the R should request the LJ to move to receiver's free kick line (50 yd line). (T) ___ (F) ___ Mechanic (Reference) _____

36. When there is a flag, R gets the official who threw the flag and asks the status of the ball, type of play, team committing the foul, number of player, and results of play. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
37. On field goals and extra point try's where the LJ is behind goal posts, the R shall take a position on the line of scrimmage and rule on the goal line if the kicking team attempts a run or pass. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
38. Anytime the ball is snapped from outside the 15 yd. Line on a field goal, the LJ and BJ should be under the goal post. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
39. During a free kick, the R shall take a position opposite the press box and between the 10-yard line and the goal line. He shall share a 50/50 responsibility of the goal line with the LJ. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
40. When notified by the LJ that the time out is over, the R should tell the teams to get ready for next play. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
41. When a field goal is attempted as a free kick after a fair catch or an awarded fair catch, the R shall take a position behind the upright on the HL' side of the field, signaling: Good, No Good, or Touchback after conferring with the LJ. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
42. At the end of the game, it is the R' responsibility to record the time the game ended. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
43. If U disqualifies a player, he goes with the R to the offending player sideline and the LJ comes in to cover ball (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
44. The R rules on forward and backward passes including the quick pass to either side as soon as ball is snapped. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
45. On a punt bean bag the yard line of recovery by K when recovery is within a yard of the previous spot. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
46. On a goal line play at the 5 yard line, HL should move immediately to the goal line after the snap. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
47. HL is responsible to check the U's penalty walk off. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
48. The R is the only official to call the supervisor of officials with the details of a disqualification. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
49. If a player #88 is in a normal guard position and is the last player on the line of scrimmage toward the HL sideline, HL is responsible to know that players number. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
50. When a scrimmage play goes away from the HL sideline he should watch action around the ball carrier (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
51. On a FG or try when the ball is snapped anywhere, HL is responsible for the entire line of scrimmage. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
52. On plays where the ball becomes dead in the side zone, place the ball on the foot until the next down is determined. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
53. HL does not have any player counting responsibilities because the R and U counts the "A" players and LJ and BJ count "B" players. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____

54. On free kicks signal to R by raising hand that you are ready, after you have counted the R players. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
55. If you have not been contacted by U concerning travel/meeting site at least 2 days prior to the game, call call U, R or other crew member for information. Call supervisor of officials when you are unable to contact U, R or other crew member. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
56. It's the responsibility of the BJ to ensure he has an accurate timing devise before the game. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
57. Escort team on the L J's sideline onto the field of play before the game & at halftime. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
58. During a Free Kick, the Back-Judge should watch for first touching by K, and mark the spot with a beanbag if first touching occurs. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
59. Count "B" players; give signal to R. This should be early as possible to allow R time to focus on other keys. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
60. The BJ is not responsible for the end line if the L J or the HL asks for help on a spot during a scrimmage play near the goal-line. L J or HL will take responsibility of the end line. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
61. BJ Responsible for ruling on fair catch. When fair catch is made, immediately sound whistle and signal time out. When fair catch is not made stay with ball until kick ends. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
62. During a punt, the BJ is responsible for action on the receiver and Kick Catch Interference, and should always beanbag the end of the kick by possession (PSK spot) from sideline to sideline. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
63. During a punt, if a kick goes out of bounds in the air, choose a spot that most closely approximates where the ball crossed out of bounds, and give the time out signal. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
64. The BJ is responsible for your upright crossbar, including any ball contact on that section. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____
65. On FG's & Trys when there is a run or pass, the BJ is responsible for only his half of the end line. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____

Extra Credit: Only the Back Judge is allowed to use a BLUE BEAN BAG to mark the spot of possession change. (T) ____ (F) ____ Mechanic (Reference) _____