

Getting on the Same Page: R/U Issues

SA-TASO Football

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Before you leave the house on game day...

- Confirm kickoff time
- Confirmed clocks and chains arrival time, if applicable
- Have a plan for pregame

Have a good crew pregame

- Varies by crew, but you must have one
- Important because it gets 5 or 7 officials thinking as one before we hit the field
- Intentional discussion important because someone on the crew does not know (or at least does not totally understand) what's being discussed
- BE WHERE YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE ON-TIME

Refresher on pregame responsibilities

- Jurisdiction begins 60 minutes before kickoff time
 - At least two officials on the field with a purpose
- At least 15 minutes before kickoff time, all officials on the field
- R/U, have a brief, cordial pregame with each HFC and move on
 - Answer their questions. Don't know? Don't guess. Go inside and look it up.
 - Points of emphasis
 - Get the OL legal
 - Sidelines need to be clear
 - Silence can't be misquoted