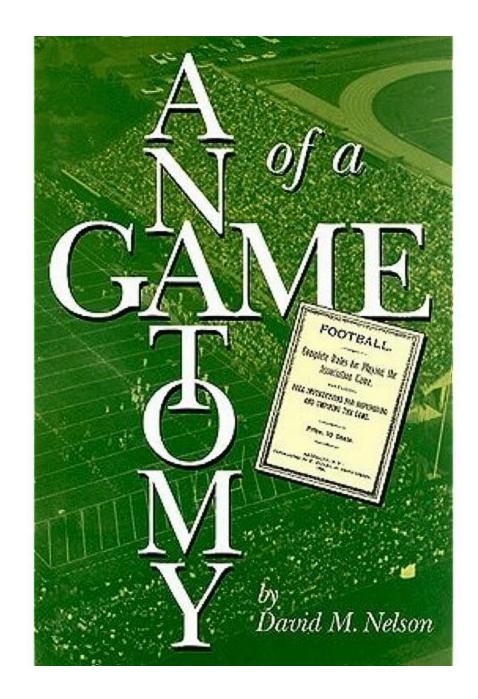


Who's in question? Not us.

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20 bullets that will save your bacon: When in question

- BBW: WIQ, the contact is below the waist (2-3-2)
- IBB: WIQ, the contact is at or below the waist (2-3-3)
- Catch: WIQ, catch/interception/recovery NOT completed (2-4-3)
- Batting: WIQ, ball's accidentally touched NOT batted (2-11-3)
- Touching: WIQ, ball has NOT been touched on pass/kick (2-11-4-d)
- Kicks: WIQ, ball's accidentally touched NOT kicked (2-16-1-d)
- Fwd pass: WIQ, pass thrown in/behind NZ is forward (2-19-2-a)
- Pass/fumble: WIQ, ball is passed rather than fumbled (2-19-2-c)



20 things that will save your bacon: When in question

- Fwd passes: WIQ, legal forward pass is catchable (2-19-4)
- Defenseless: WIQ, the player is defenseless (2-27-14)
- Injury: WIQ, you take the time out for an injured player (3-3-5-a-1)
- Fwd progress: WIQ, the ball is dead (4-1-3-a)
- KCI (restricted area defined): WIQ, it is a foul (6-4-1-b)
- KCI (when did B touch A?): WIQ, it is a foul (6-4-1-e)
- DPI: WIQ, the legal forward pass is catchable (7-3-8-c)
- Safety: WIQ, it is a touchback and not a safety (8-5-1-a)



20 things that will save your bacon: When in question

- Targeting: WIQ, it is a foul (9-1-3)
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- Facemask: WIQ, it is a foul for twisting, turning, pulling FM (9-1-8-b)
- RNK/RFK: WIQ, the foul is roughing not running into (9-1-16-a-8)

 Reading WIQs in context will provide a great deal of insight into the intent of the rules, as written.



- Section 2: Line of scrimmage
 - FST vs ILM: WIQ, the foul is for false start
 - Is WR in backfield?: WIQ, it is a foul
 - DOF vs FST: WIQ, defender moving toward the linemen
 - FST: WIQ, abrupt movement by QB or C is FST
- Section 3: Fumbles
 - WIQ, ballcarrier fumbled and was not down
 - WIQ, QB fumbled rather than passed the football



- Section 7: Other passing situations
 - WIQ, it is roughing if defender attempted to punish the passer
 - So long as Team A player who initially controlled the snap is outside the tackle box and throws the ball away to avoid a sack, WIQ the ball goes past the neutral zone
- Section 8: Blocking
 - WIQ, an illegal block occurs in field of play, not the end zone
 - BBW: WIQ, the ball has NOT left the tackle box



- Section 9: Kicking plays
 - Short kicks, pooch kicks, onside kicks, work A's restraining line as a plane.
 WIQ, the kicking team player has not broken the plane
 - Kicks into the end zone. WIQ, the ball has not left the end zone
 - PSK: WIQ, receiving team foul happens after the ball is kicked
 - Rugby punts/bad snaps: WIQ, the kicker is outside the tackle box
 - WIQ, it is not a scrimmage kick formation
- Section 10: Plays at the sideline
 - WIQ if a runner stepped out of bounds, he did NOT step out of bounds



- Section 11: Scoring plays
 - WIQ, it is NOT a touchdown
 - WIQ, it is NOT a safety
 - WIQ, it is a touchdown when non-airborne runner crosses the goal inside the pylon with the ball crossing the goal line extended
- Section 12: Personal fouls
 - WIQ if an act is a flagrant personal foul or fighting, player is NOT fighting
 - WIQ if a hit away from the ball near the end of a play is dead ball or live ball, consider is a dead ball foul
 - WIQ, the player is defenseless (repeated from 2-27-14)



- Section 13: Unsportsmanlike conduct
 - USC: WIQ, it is a dead ball foul
- Section 17: Game clock
 - WIQ, charged team timeout precedes a foul that prevents the snap



How to spend the next two weeks?

- In the rule book/UIL exceptions
- In the TASO mechanics manuals
- On the sub-varsity fields honing this craft
- Working hard as possible on our varsity games, remembering to enjoy ourselves

- Rules knowledge + mechanics mastery + experience = bright future for SATASO and you both
- Only way to get the consistency we all want to be a part of