

## 2024-25 MHSAA Soccer Officials Tournament Consideration Exam & Answers

1. During a regular season night game, a match is tied 1-1 at halftime. During halftime, the lights and all the power go out at the field and the athletic administrator says the power will not be back on until the morning.
  - A. Since the game had league title implications, the game can be resumed the next day.
  - B. Since one full half has been completed, the match is over. The final score is 1-1.**
  
2. After the game, a coach or player uses abusive language toward the officials while the officials are in the parking lot of the school.
  - A. The official has no jurisdiction in the parking lot of the school.
  - B. The officials display a red card to the coach or player. If it is a dangerous situation, do not show a card. Instead, safely leave the parking lot and contact the school athletic director to inform them of a parking lot disqualification. The coach or player is now ineligible to participate in the next day of competition.**
  - C. The officials display a red card to the coach or player. The coach or player may still participate in the next game.
  
3. Team A is in the lead during the last five minutes of the game. Team B has a player who has reported to the official area and is ready to substitute. Team A then sends a player to report to the official area and is ready to substitute. The ball goes out of play and Team B is awarded a throw in.
  - A. Allow both subs, and do not stop the clock.
  - B. Allow both subs, but stop the clock.**
  - C. Caution the Team A coach for unsporting behavior.
  
4. A1 and B1 collide at midfield and fall to the ground. B1 immediately jumps up and runs away, but A1 remains on the ground. The center referee stops the clock to check on the injured player, but he is ok.
  - A. The clock was stopped, so A1 must come out of the game.
  - B. The clock was stopped, but the coach/trainer was not beckoned. A1 may stay on the field.**
  
5. A1 and B1 collide at midfield and fall to the ground. B1 immediately jumps up and runs away, but A1 remains on the ground. The center referee stops the clock to check on the injured player. Team A's trainer runs onto the field to check on A1.
  - A. The clock was stopped, so A1 must come out of the game.
  - B. The clock was stopped, but the coach/trainer was not beckoned. A1 may stay on the field.
  - C. The clock was stopped, but the trainer ran onto the field. A1 must come out of the game.**
  
6. A2 is fouled by B3 in a reckless manner. The referee cautions B3 for the foul. Just as the caution is administered, A2 takes the free kick and scores.
  - A. Goal, since team A was ready to restart play.
  - B. No goal; caution A2 for taking the kick.
  - C. No goal since the referee did not indicate the restart of play. Kick is retaken.**
  
7. A1 is in an offside position. A2 shoots on goal and the ball deflects off the crossbar to A1, who shoots and scores.
  - A. No goal since A1 was in an offside position and interfered with play. Restart with an indirect free kick where A1 was at the time the ball was played.**
  - B. Goal is awarded since the ball deflected back to A1.
  - C. Caution A1 for being in offside position and interfering with play.

8. Player A of the attacking team is clearly in an offside position when her teammate delivers the ball to her with a throw-in. She collects the ball and kicks it into the goal. The referee should:
- A. Award an indirect free kick to Team B.
  - B. **Award a goal to Team A.**
  - C. Award a goal kick to Team B.
  - D. Award a re-take to Team A.
9. Near midfield a pass by A7 deflects off the official, changes direction and goes directly to A8 who has a clear run at the goal. What is the appropriate restart?
- A. There is no restart, play on.
  - B. Indirect free kick for Team A.
  - C. Indirect free kick for Team B.
  - D. **Drop ball to the team that last touched the ball prior to hitting the referee (Team A).**
  - E. Drop ball to the defending goalkeeper (Team B).
10. After a scramble in front of the net, B5 attempts to clear the ball but it is stopped by A6. A6 takes a shot and it strikes the referee who is standing in the penalty area. The ball goes into the goal. What is the appropriate restart?
- A. There is no restart, play on.
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  - C. Indirect free kick for Team B.
  - D. Drop ball to the team that last touched the ball prior to hitting the referee (Team A).
  - E. **Drop ball to the defending goalkeeper (Team B).**
11. A1 takes a powerful shot on goal. B2, who is very close, puts their hands in front of their face as a reflex action to protect the face, and the ball hits B2's hands.
- A. Stop play and award a direct free kick or penalty kick for team A.
  - B. Caution B2 for stopping play by using the hands.
  - C. **Allow play to continue since this was not a deliberate attempt to use the hands.**
12. The referee stops play and awards a direct free kick for team A. Before the kick can be taken, B1 deliberately walks between A2, the kicker, and the ball to delay the kick. This action delays the taking of the kick. The referee should:
- A. **Stop the kick from being taken, caution B1, and then permit the kick to be taken.**
  - B. Delay the restart so B1 can continue moving past the ball.
  - C. Warn B1 not to encroach.
13. Goalkeeper B1 deliberately parries the ball to the ground with the hands and dribbles to the edge of the penalty area. B1 picks the ball up and punts it downfield.
- A. Award a penalty kick.
  - B. **Award an indirect free kick at the point where B1 touched the ball with the hands a second time.**
  - C. Legal play.
14. A1 is on the attack and has the potential to score. B2 grabs A1's shirt in an attempt to deny a shot on goal. A1 passes the ball to A2, who continues to move the ball forward, shoots and scores.
- A. The referee is to allow advantage and the goal. No caution is given.
  - B. **The referee is to allow advantage and the goal. B2 is cautioned for grabbing A1's shirt.**
  - C. The referee disallows the goal, cautions B2 for grabbing A1's shirt and restarts the match with a direct free kick from where the foul occurred.

15. What is the penalty for Stopping a Promising Attack (SPA) inside the penalty area when the defender attempts to play the ball?
- A. Penalty kick and red card
  - B. Penalty kick and yellow card
  - C. Penalty kick and no card**
16. Trailing by one goal, Player B1 gains possession of the ball on Team B's side of the field with open space to advance. B1 initiates a counterattack with a supporting number of teammates marked by an equal number of Team A's defenders. Opposing Player A2 pulls B1's jersey to slow B1's forward progress near the halfway line.
- A. Foul is called on A2. Team B is awarded a direct free kick from where the foul occurred.
  - B. Player A2 is cautioned for unsporting conduct because they stopped a promising attack. Team B is awarded a direct free kick from where the foul occurred.**
  - C. Player A2 is ejected for denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity. Team B is awarded a direct free kick from where the foul occurred.
17. Attacker A4 is dribbling the ball inside Team B's penalty area and is moving toward the goal with a promising attack. Multiple defenders are between A4 and the goal. Defender B3 pulls A4's jersey so Team B's goalkeeper can collect the ball.
- A. Foul is called on B3. Team A is awarded a penalty kick.
  - B. Player B3 is cautioned for unsporting conduct because they stopped a promising attack. Team A is awarded a penalty kick.**
  - C. Player B3 is ejected for denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity. Team A is awarded a penalty kick.
18. A goal kick is about to be taken by B1. A2 enters the penalty area prior to the kick and fouls B3. The correct restart is:
- A. Caution or eject A2 and restart with a goal kick.**
  - B. Caution or eject A2 and restart with a direct free kick from team B.
  - C. Penalty kick.
19. Play was suspended when team A had possession of the ball just outside its penalty area. Play is restarted with a drop ball. A1 takes the drop ball and kicks the ball into team B's goal.
- A. The referee re-drops the ball.
  - B. Since the ball crossed the goal line, award a goal kick.**
  - C. Award a goal for team A.
20. The ball accidentally touches an attacker's (team A) arm, hits the goalpost, and bounces back to the attacker, who immediately scores a goal. The correct decision is:
- A. Award a goal since there was no infraction.
  - B. No goal. Award a direct free kick for team B.**
  - C. No goal. Restart the game with a goal kick for team B.
21. A1 falls while in possession of the ball. There are no other players close to A1. While on the ground, A1 passes the ball to A2.
- A. Legal. Allow play to continue.**
  - B. Stop play and advise A1 the ball cannot be played while on the ground. Restart with a drop ball.
  - C. Stop play and award an indirect free kick for dangerous play.

22. The referee signals for a kickoff. A1 is looking at teammates while preparing to take the kick. A1 inadvertently touches the ball and it moves. A1 then passes the ball to A2 to start the play.
- A. Stop and award a direct free kick for team B.
  - B. Team A retakes the kick.
  - C. Stop play and award an indirect free kick for team B.**
23. During the taking of a penalty kick, A7 uses several stutter-steps but does not interrupt the approach to the ball. The ball enters the goal. The referee should:
- A. Allow the goal and restart with a kickoff.**
  - B. Disallow the goal and retake the kick.
  - C. Disallow the goal and restart with an indirect kick for Team B.
  - D. Disallow the goal, caution A7 for unsporting play and restart with an indirect kick for Team B.
24. During the taking of a penalty kick, the goalkeeper moves both feet off the line prior to the kick. The shot goes over the crossbar.
- A. The kick is retaken.**
  - B. Award a goal kick and resume play.
  - C. The goalkeeper is to be cautioned, and the kick is retaken.
25. If the referee fails to signal the kick is indirect and the ball goes directly into the opponent's goal, the result shall be:
- A. Retake the indirect free kick**
  - B. Award a goal to the kicking team
  - C. A goal kick to the opposing team; goal is not allowed
  - D. Drop ball
26. A ball, last touched by A1, is rolling toward the goal line. B2 is shielding the ball so A1 cannot make a play on it.
- A. Stop play and award a penalty kick to team A for holding A1 back from the ball.
  - B. Stop play and award an indirect free kick for obstruction.
  - C. Shielding is legal.**
27. During a penalty kick shootout, each teams' five kickers, goalkeepers and officials are on the field. Where should the coaches and remaining bench players be located?
- A. At midfield with the kickers.
  - B. On the touchline, near the goal.
  - C. In the Team and Coaching Area.**
28. Player A1 has plastic beads in her hair.
- A. Beads are considered adornments and are not allowed.
  - B. Beads are considered adornments and are allowed as long as they are securely fastened to the head.**
29. During the field inspection, the referee team observes that the penalty area is 46 yards wide.
- A. The game is played with the markings. The referee notifies the school administrator and the state association after the game.**
  - B. The referee should make a note of where the penalty area should be and use this invisible mark.
  - C. The game cannot be played.

30. The visiting team shows up to the game with a sublimated gray pattern on the sleeves of their white uniforms. What is the best response of the official?

- A. These uniforms are legal. Play the game.
- B. These uniforms are illegal, but the game should be played.
- C. These uniforms are illegal, but the game should be played. In addition, the official should make the visiting team coach aware that they will be contacting the MHSAA to alert the office of the illegal uniforms.**

## QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2024-25

6. Team A is awarded a free kick and multiple players from Team B line up for a wall 10 yards from the ball. Another player from Team B lays down behind the wall. Before allowing the play to start, the official instructs the player to stand up.
- A. **This is the correct procedure.**
  - B. The player laying down should be immediately cautioned.
  - C. Laying down behind the wall is legal.
7. Team A shoots from inside its own penalty area. The ball accidentally hits the hand of A1 and drops to A1's feet. A1 shoots and scores.
- A. Goal. The handling was accidental.
  - B. Goal. The ball did not go from the hand directly into the net.
  - C. **No Goal. Direct free kick for Team B.**
8. The goalkeeper takes a goal kick but mishits the ball sending it only a few yards. There were no opponents rushing in toward the ball, and a teammate was nearby. The goalkeeper decides to pick up the ball.
- A. This is not a violation.
  - B. **This is a second touch and an indirect free kick for the other team.**
  - C. This is a second touch and an indirect free kick for the other team. The goalkeeper should also receive a yellow card.
9. Player A2 is in an offside position when player A3 takes a shot on goal. Defender B5 is positioned immediately in front of the goal and saves the ball with his chest, but the ball rebounds to A2. A2 shoots and scores.
- A. **Disallow the goal and award an indirect free kick to Team B.**
  - B. Allow the goal.
  - C. Disallow the goal and award a goal kick to Team B.
  - D. Disallow the goal and award a penalty kick to Team A.
10. A12, in an offside position, receives a header from B7 who had time and space to make a controlled play on the ball.
- A. The flag should be raised for offside by A12.
  - B. **There is no offside since it was a deliberate play by B7.**
31. A1 is on the ground and playing the ball. There are no other players nearby. A1 continues attempting to play the ball when B2 moves close and stops short of kicking the ball for fear of kicking A1.
- A. There is no foul for playing the ball on the ground.
  - B. Award a direct free kick for Team B since A1 created a situation in which B2 could have kicked A1.
  - C. **Since B2 came within playing distance and could not play the ball, award an indirect free kick for Team B since A1 is now creating a dangerous situation.**
32. A player, who is part of a wall in a free kick, moves his hands to protect his groin after the ball is kicked and the ball strikes his hands. The correct ruling is:
- A. Award a direct free kick to the opponent at the spot of the foul.
  - B. **Allow play to continue as this was a reflex and not considered a deliberate act.**
  - C. Award an indirect free kick to the opponent at the spot of the foul.
  - D. None of the above

33. B9 is tripped by A6. The referee stops play and awards a free kick to Team B. A6 and other Team A players move slowly to form a defensive wall. Without waiting for the Team A players to be at least 10 yards from the ball, B5's kick strikes the arm of A8 whose arm is stationary and in a natural playing position.
- A. Play should continue.**
  - B. The referee should stop play, caution A8, require him to leave the field and restart play with a direct free kick from the spot of the previous kick by Team B.
  - C. The referee should stop play, caution A8, require him to leave the field and restart play with an indirect free kick from the spot where A8 contacted the ball.
  - D. The referee should stop play and restart play with a direct free kick from the spot of the previous kick by Team B.
34. Player B1, while attempting to play the ball, trips the attacking player A1 in the penalty box denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity (DOGSO).
- A. Award a penalty kick and issue a yellow card to B1.**
  - B. Award a penalty kick and issue a red card to B1.
  - C. Award a direct free kick and issue a yellow card to B1.
  - D. Award a direct free kick and issue a red card to B1.
35. Player B1, with no attempt to play the ball, trips the attacking player A1 inside the penalty box denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity (DOGSO).
- A. Award a penalty kick and issue a yellow card to B1.
  - B. Award a penalty kick and issue a red card to B1.**
  - C. Award a direct free kick and issue a yellow card to B1.
  - D. Award a direct free kick and issue a red card to B1.
36. Player B1, regardless of if they are playing the ball, trips the attacking player A1 outside the penalty box denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity (DOGSO).
- A. Award a penalty kick and issue a yellow card to B1.
  - B. Award a penalty kick and issue a red card to B1.
  - C. Award a direct free kick and issue a yellow card to B1.
  - D. Award a direct free kick and issue a red card to B1.**
37. A defender commits a careless tackle. It was not a DOGSO situation and it was not in the penalty area. What is the correct sanction?
- A. Direct free kick and no card.**
  - B. Indirect free kick and no card
  - C. Direct free kick and yellow card.
  - D. Direct free kick and red card.
38. A defender commits a reckless tackle. It was not a DOGSO situation and it was not in the penalty area. What is the correct sanction?
- A. Direct free kick and no card.
  - B. Indirect free kick and no card
  - C. Direct free kick and yellow card.**
  - D. Direct free kick and red card.
39. On a penalty kick, the goalkeeper moves laterally prior to the kick. In the split-second before the kick is taken he lunges with one foot in front of the line and one foot over the goal line but not actually touching the ground. The goalkeeper makes the save. What is the result of the penalty kick?

- A. Retake the kick
- B. Corner kick
- C. Goal kick
- D. **Good save, play continues**

40. The players on Team A are wearing harnesses under their jerseys that contain devices to track heart rate and distance covered. The data is transmitted to the coaching staff on the sidelines.
- A. **This is wearable technology. It is secured and not a safety hazard. This is allowed.**
  - B. This is an electronic communication device with an on-field player. This is not allowed.

### **QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2023-24**

3. Play has been stopped for a foul by A4. The referee has stopped the clock and has given A4 a caution. The referee beckons substitute A6 into the game. As the referee is walking with the A4 toward the bench to report the caution to the coaches, A4 directs insulting language to the referee.
- A. The referee should ignore A4's statement.
  - B. **The referee should show A4 a red card and allow A6 to enter the field – play 11v11.**
  - C. The referee should show A4 a red card and not allow A6 to enter the field – play 11v10.
  - D. The referee should show A4 a yellow card, followed by a red card, and not allow A6 to enter the field – play 11v10.
5. B17 is being replaced on a legal substitution opportunity for her team. What should happen next?
- A. B17 is considered a player until her replacement, B12, takes her position on the field.
  - B. **B17 is considered a player until her replacement, B12, is beckoned onto the field by the referee.**
  - C. B17 is considered a player until her replacement, B12, steps onto the field.
  - D. B17 is considered a player until she has left the field and the game has been restarted.
6. A2, in an offside position, receives a goal kick taken by B1. The referee shall:
- A. Penalize Team A for A2 being offside.
  - B. Only call offside if a goal is scored.
  - C. **Allow play to continue as this is permitted by rule.**
  - D. None of the above.
41. On a penalty kick, the kicker plays the ball backward. On the same play, a defender enters the penalty box early. What is the outcome?
- A. Play continues.
  - B. Retake the penalty kick.
  - C. **Indirect Free Kick for the Defending Team.**
42. On a free kick within a team's penalty area, which of the following is NOT true.
- A. The opposing players must be outside the penalty area until the ball is in play.
  - B. The opposing players must be at least 10 yards from the ball.
  - C. The ball is in play once it has been kicked and moves.
  - D. **Opposing players must wait for the ball to leave the penalty area once the ball is in play.**



- E. After the ball has been kicked and moves, opposing players can play the ball even if it is still in the penalty area.
43. On a corner kick, the defender must be:
- A. 10 yards from the ball.
  - B. 10 yards from the corner arc.**
  - C. 10 yards from the offensive player.
21. Player A1 takes a corner kick that hits the goal post and rebounds back to A1, who then kicks the ball into the goal.
- A. The referee should allow the goal.
  - B. The referee should allow an indirect free kick to the opponent from the spot of infringement.**
  - C. The referee should allow a direct free kick to the opponent from the spot of infringement.
44. Goalkeeper A1 collides with an opposing player and goes down to the ground. The official stops the clock and runs over to the goalkeeper to see if she is OK. The player regains her composure, and seems ready to play. Does the goalkeeper need to come out of the game?
- A. Yes, the clock was stopped so the goalkeeper must come out of the game.**
  - B. No, the coach/trainer was never beckoned so the goalkeeper can stay in the game.
45. Which of these is true of a Drop Ball?
- A. Drop the ball to one player.
  - B. All other players should be at least 4 yards away.
  - C. Drop the ball to the team that last possessed the ball, unless in the penalty area.
  - D. If in the penalty area when last touched, drop to the goalkeeper.
  - E. All of the above.**
46. During the game, the referee notices several players with untucked jerseys. The referee should:
- A. Caution the offending players for improper uniform.
  - B. Caution the head coach for having players with improper uniforms.
  - C. Warn the players and have them tuck their jerseys.
  - D. Do nothing, as jerseys are not required to be tucked into the shorts.**
47. The referee observes Player A1 wearing socks with the foot cut off.
- A. This is illegal. Cut socks cannot be worn.
  - B. This is illegal. The color of the foot of the sock must match the body of the sock.
  - C. This is legal as long as the visible material under the sock (and above the ankle) is similar in color to the predominant color of the sock.**
  - D. This is legal. The color of the visible material under the sock does not matter.
48. Player A2 has metal charms in her hair.
- A. Hair charms are considered jewelry and are not allowed. She cannot play with the charms in her hair.**
  - B. Hair charms are considered adornments and are allowed as long as they are securely fastened to the head.

### **QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2022-23**

2. Player A receives a caution in the 10<sup>th</sup> minute of the game.

- A. Player A does not have to come out of the game.
  - B. Player A must come out of the game, and a substitute can take his spot. The cautioned player may return to the game at the next legal substitution opportunity.**
  - C. Player A must come out of the game, and a substitute can take his spot. The cautioned player must sit out at least 10 minutes.
3. Player A receives a caution for reckless play. It his second caution of the game. After displaying the yellow card, the referee displays the red card disqualifying Player A.
- A. Player A may be replaced, but may play on the team's next day of competition.
  - B. Player A may be replaced, but may not play on the team's next day of competition.
  - C. Player A may not be replaced and the team plays short, but the player may play on the team's next day of competition.
  - D. Player A may not be replaced and the team plays short, and the player may not play on the team's next day of competition.**
5. Play has been stopped for a foul by A4. The referee has stopped the clock and has given A4 a caution. As the referee is walking with the player toward the Team A bench to report the caution to the coaches, A4 directs insulting language to the referee. A9, a substitute who is waiting to enter the game for A4, has not yet been beckoned onto the field by the referee.
- A. The referee should ignore A4's statement.
  - B. The referee should show A4 a red card and allow A9 to enter the field.
  - C. The referee should show A4 a red card and not allow A9 to enter the field.**
  - D. The referee should show A4 a yellow card, followed by a red card and not allow A9 to enter the game.
6. Team A is in the lead during the last five minutes of the game. Both Team A and Team B have players who have reported to the official area and are ready to substitute.
- A. Do not stop the clock if both teams are substituting.
  - B. Allow the substitution and the clock is not stopped.
  - C. Stop the clock for the substitutions.**
  - D. Caution the coach for unsporting behavior.
- F. A pass by A2 to A3 strikes the referee who is standing in the penalty area. The ball remains on the field of play and is controlled by B2. What is the appropriate restart?
- A. There is no restart, play on.
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- E. **Play should continue.**
  - F. The referee should stop play, caution A8, require him to leave the field and restart play with a direct free kick from the spot of the previous kick by Team A.
  - G. The referee should stop play, caution A8, require him to leave the field and restart play with an indirect free kick from the spot where A8 contacted the ball.
  - H. The referee should caution A8 before B5 takes the kick.
49. B14 takes a shot on goal, with goalkeeper A1 out of position. A3, however, extends her arm into the path of the ball, deflecting it to B9. B9 shoots and the ball enters the goal.
- A. The referee should award Team B a penalty kick and caution A3 for unsporting conduct.
  - B. The referee should award Team B a penalty kick and disqualify A3 for serious foul play.
  - C. **The referee should allow the goal and caution A3 for unsporting conduct.**
  - D. The referee should allow the goal and disqualify A3 for serious foul play.
50. On a throw-in, the ball is in play:
- A. When it leaves the hands of the thrower.
  - B. When it touches the playing surface.
  - C. **When it leaves the hands of the thrower and breaks the plane of the touchline.**
  - D. When it touches a player.
27. After Team A scores a goal, the assistant referee hears the Team A head coach calling one of his players, A15, off the field. The assistant referee counts the Team A players now on the field and realizes that Team A had 12 players on the field when the goal was scored. The assistant referee notifies the referee of this. The referee should:
- A. Allow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a kickoff by Team B.
  - B. Allow the goal and restart with a kickoff by Team B, with no caution to A15.
  - C. Disallow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a kickoff by Team B.
  - D. **Disallow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a goal kick taken by Team B.**
29. Indirect free kicks for offside are taken from:
- A. The spot where the offside player was when the AR raised the flag.
  - B. The spot where the ball was when the referee stopped play.
  - C. **The point of the infraction.**
  - D. The spot where the ball was passed.

### **QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2021-22**

2. In the MHSAA tournament, a match is suspended due to weather in the 55<sup>th</sup> minute with Central HS leading West HS 1-0. The conditions make it impossible to resume on this day. What is the correct ruling?
- A. More than one half has been completed, so the game is official. Final score: Central 1, West 0.
  - B. More than 50 minutes have been completed, so the game is official. Final score: Central 1, West 0.
  - C. **60 minutes have not been completed, and it is a one-goal game. Resume match from point of suspension on the next available day.**
  - D. The game must be played in its entirety. Resume play from point of suspension.

7. The referee notices Player A has a broken knee brace. This player is improperly equipped. The referee should:
- A. Allow the player to fix it if it is immediately correctable.
  - B. Allow the player to leave the field and allow a substitute.
  - C. Allow the player to leave the field without replacement, and then re-enter at the next dead ball if an official is satisfied that the equipment is in order.
  - D. All of the Above**
51. On a penalty kick, the goalkeeper moves laterally prior to the kick, and at the time of the kick he lunges and neither foot is in-line with the goal line. The goalkeeper makes the save. What is the result of the penalty kick?
- A. Retake the kick**
  - B. Corner kick
  - C. Goal kick
  - D. Good save, play continues
52. On a goal kick, which of the following is NOT true.
- A. The opposing players must be outside the penalty area.
  - B. The ball is in play once it has been kicked and moves.
  - C. Opposing players must wait for the ball to leave the penalty area once the ball is in play.**
  - D. After the ball has been kicked and moves, opposing players can play the ball even if it is still in the penalty area.
24. Field Player A8 collides with an opposing player and goes down to the ground. The official runs over to the player, checks to see if he is OK. After determining that the player is injured, the official stops the clock and beckons the trainer to the field. At what point in this scenario is this field player required to leave the field?
- A. When the referee stops the clock.**
  - B. When the referee beckons the trainer.
  - C. The coach/trainer did not come out when beckoned, so the player does not have to leave the field.
26. Late in the game, Team A is leading the match and A1 dribbles the ball to the corner. The ball is within playing distance of A1, and he uses his body to block B2 from reaching the ball.
- A. Legal.**
  - B. Illegal, shielding.
  - C. Illegal, dangerous play.
  - D. Illegal, obstruction.
28. The AWAY white uniform rule applies to which pieces of the uniform?
- A. Jersey
  - B. Shorts
  - C. Socks
  - D. All three
  - E. Jersey and socks only**
29. Player A1 is on the field with his jersey untucked.
- A. Legal**
  - B. Illegal
  - C. Improper

30. In 2020-21, for the pregame meeting...
- A. Pregame meeting is not required.
  - B. Only captains should attend.
  - C. Only one coach from each team should attend.
  - D. One captain and one coach from each team must attend**

**QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2020-21**

7. For the first violation by a team, a player is found guilty of failure to wear required equipment or is wearing illegal equipment. What is the correct ruling?
- A. The player must leave the field.
  - B. The player must leave the field and is issued a yellow card.
  - C. The player must leave the field and the coach is issued a yellow card.**
11. During play a referee awards a drop ball. Which of these statements is accurate?
- A. A team can score directly off a drop ball.
  - B. A drop ball does not have to touch the ground before it is played.
  - C. A drop ball can be between any number of players.**
  - D. The referee can decide who should take the drop ball.
12. Player A2 is in an offside position when player A3 plays a ball toward the goal. A defender deliberately heads the ball and it lands at the feet of A2 who shoots and scores.
- A. Disallow the goal and award an indirect free kick to Team B.
  - B. Allow the goal.**
  - C. Disallow the goal and award a goal kick to Team B.
  - D. Disallow the goal and award a penalty kick to Team A.
53. A player could be penalized for being in an offside position if the ball is received from a:
- A. Goal kick
  - B. Throw-in
  - C. Direct free kick**
  - D. Corner Kick
54. Indirect free kicks for offside are taken from:
- A. The spot where the offside player was when the assistant referee raised the flag.
  - B. The spot where the offending player interfered with play or where the player interfered with an opponent or gained an advantage by being in that position.**
  - C. The spot where the offside player touches the ball.
  - D. The spot where the ball was passed.
20. Player A2, in taking a penalty kick, approaches the ball and then stops abruptly. The goalkeeper dives to the side. A2 then kicks the ball, but it is deflected by the goalkeeper and the ball stays in the field of play.
- A. The referee shall award an indirect free kick to the defending team.**
  - B. The referee shall order the kick to be retaken.
  - C. The referee shall award a goal kick to the defending team.
  - D. The referee shall allow the play to continue.

21. During the taking of a penalty kick, A7 uses several stutter-steps but does not interrupt the approach to the ball. The ball enters the goal. The referee should:
- A. **Allow the goal and restart with a kickoff by the defending team.**
  - B. Disallow the goal and retake the kick.
  - C. Disallow the goal and restart with an indirect kick for Team B.
  - D. Disallow the goal, caution A7 for unsporting play and restart with an indirect kick for Team B.
24. During the first half, an assistant coach in the team area filming action on an iPad. At halftime, the head coach shares first half video clips with his team.
- A. The use of video communication is not allowed. The coach should be cautioned for Misconduct.
  - B. **The rule only covers electronic communication directly with players on the field of play. In this case, the communication was between a coach and a player NOT currently on the field, so the use of video on the iPad is legal.**
26. An identifiable supporter of the home team seated in the designated spectator area is screaming profanities at the nearest assistant referee in disagreement with a decision about offside made by the assistant referee. The referee should:
- A. Stop play and direct the spectator to leave the facility.
  - B. **Stop play and request that the home school administration take appropriate action.**
  - C. Stop play and inform the spectator that the assistant referee's decision was correct.
  - D. Allow play to continue and ignore the supporter's language.
27. A2, in an offside position, receives a goal kick taken by B1. The referee shall:
- A. Penalize Team A for A2 being offside.
  - B. Only call offside if a goal is scored.
  - C. **Allow play to continue as this is permitted by rule.**
  - D. None of the above.
28. A goal may NOT be scored from a...
- A. Direct free kick
  - B. Corner kick
  - C. **Drop ball**
  - D. Goal kick
30. After Team A scores a goal, the assistant referee hears the Team A head coach calling one of his players, A15, off the field. The assistant referee counts the Team A players now on the field and realizes that Team A had 12 players on the field when the goal was scored. The assistant referee notifies the referee of this. The referee should:
- A. Allow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a kickoff by Team B.
  - B. Allow the goal and restart with a kickoff by Team B, with no caution to A15.
  - C. Disallow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a kickoff by Team B.
  - D. **Disallow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a goal kick taken by Team B.**

### QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2019-20

3. The "mercy" or point differential rule...

- A. **Must be used during regular season varsity games. This rule is optional for sub-varsity games.**
  - B. Is optional for use during regular season varsity games. This rule **MUST** be used for sub-varsity games.
  - C. Must be used during regular season varsity **AND** sub-varsity games.
  - D. Is optional for use during regular season varsity games. This rule is also optional for sub-varsity games.
5. The home team is wearing a jersey with large blue and thin white stripes. Is this legal?
- A. **Yes, the jersey is predominantly dark.**
  - B. No, the jersey must be a solid color.
6. A team shows up to the field with illegal jerseys. What should the official do?
- A. Do not start the game until the team has legal uniforms.
  - B. As long as the official can distinguish between the two teams, start the game.
  - C. **As long as the official can distinguish between the two teams, start the game. The official should also inform the MHSAA of the illegal uniforms.**
10. During the halftime interval, B3 directs abusive language towards the officials. The correct ruling is:
- A. **disqualify (red card) B3; Team B plays with 11 players**
  - B. disqualify (red card) B3; Team B plays with 10 players
  - C. caution B3; Team B plays with 11 players
  - D. none of the above
14. A free kick is awarded to Team A. A4 takes a quick kick and hits a player from Team B in the back as she is walking away, only five yards downfield. The correct ruling is:
- A. **Continue play**
  - B. Retake the kick
  - C. Disqualify the Team B player
  - D. Caution the Team A player
20. On a corner kick, B1 hits the goal post, then kicks the rebound and scores. What is the restart?
- A. Kickoff
  - B. Goal kick
  - C. **Indirect free kick to the opponent from the spot of the infraction**
55. What is the correct restart after a ball enters the goal directly from a corner kick?
- A. Retake the corner kick
  - B. Goal kick
  - C. **Kickoff**
  - D. Indirect free kick taken by the team defending the corner kick
56. What is the restart when a goal is scored on a penalty kick, but a member of the kicking team enters penalty area prior to the kick:
- A. goal kick
  - B. **retake the penalty kick**
  - C. indirect kick to the opposing team
  - D. goal

57. Near the end of the game, the coach of the leading team makes excessive substitutions in an effort to waste time. The referee decides to stop the clock during the substitutions. Is this allowed?
- A. No.
  - B. Yes, and the official could also consider a caution to the coach for unsporting conduct.**
25. If a player is injured and removed from the field...
- A. The team with the injured player may substitute only for the injured player.
  - B. Either team may only substitute players if those players were at the scorekeeper/timers table before the stoppage in play.
  - C. Either team may substitute an unlimited number of players, even if they were not checked in at the scorekeeper/timers table before the stoppage in play. All substitutes must wait to be beckoned by the official before entering the field.**
28. During their inspection of the field, the referees note that the portable goals are not secured, anchored or counterweighted. The home team's head coach says that this is the first time all year that this has been considered a problem.
- A. The goals must be secured, anchored or counterweighted before the game may begin.**
  - B. The game may begin without the goals being secured, anchored or counterweighted, but the referees must report this to the appropriate authority.
  - C. The game may begin without the goals being secured, anchored or counterweighted, but the referees should report this to the home team's head coach and ask that the goals be properly secured for subsequent games.
  - D. Since previous referees have allowed games to be played at this site without the goals being secured, anchored or counterweighted, the referees should take no further action.

**QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2018-19**

12. Player A1 is in an offside position after having made a play on goal. The ball is kicked up field by the goalkeeper and intercepted by Player A3. A3 sends the ball back into the box with A1 in an offside position, but A1 is not active in the play. Which is correct?
- A. Player A1 should be declared offside. Award indirect free kick.
  - B. Player A1 should be declared offside. Award direct free kick.
  - C. Player A1 should not be declared offside.**
14. Attacking player A1, in an offside position, receives the ball directly from a corner kick inside Team B's goal area and heads the ball into Team B's goal. The correct restart is:
- A. Indirect free kick from the point A1 headed the ball
  - B. Kickoff**
  - C. Indirect free kick from the 6-yard-line at the point nearest the place A1 headed the ball
  - D. Goal kick
16. After Team A scores a goal, the assistant referee hears the Team A head coach calling one of his players, A15, off the field. The assistant referee counts the Team A players now on the field and realizes that Team A



had 12 players on the field when the goal was scored. The assistant referee notifies the referee of this. The referee should:

- A. Allow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a kickoff by Team B.
- B. Allow the goal and restart with a kickoff by Team B, with no caution to A15.
- C. Disallow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a kickoff by Team B.
- D. Disallow the goal, caution A15 and restart with a goal kick taken by Team B.**
- E. Disallow the goal, restart with a goal kick taken by Team B with no caution to A15.

21. At times play can be restarted with a dropped ball. Which one of the following situations is not started with a dropped ball?

- A. When the ball is caused to go out-of-bounds by two opponents simultaneously.
- B. Following a temporary suspension of play for an injury or unusual situation in which no team has clear possession of the ball.
- C. When the ball becomes deflated except for a penalty kick.
- D. Following an injury when one team is in clear possession of the ball.**

22. The referee inadvertently blows the whistle. The correct procedure is:

- A. Say "play on" and give the appropriate signal.
- B. Award a direct kick to the team in possession of the ball.
- C. Award an indirect kick to the team in possession of the ball, or if no team is in possession have a drop ball.**
- D. Always have a drop ball.

24. Team A has been awarded a corner kick. Prior to the ball leaving the field of play, one player each from Team A and Team B had checked in at the scorer's table. Which substitution scenario is correct?

- A. Only Team A can substitute the player at the scorer's table
- B. Only Team B can substitute the player at the scorer's table
- C. Both teams are allowed to substitute the players at the scorer's table**
- D. Neither team can substitute anyone

58. Player A2, in taking a penalty kick, approaches the ball and then stops abruptly. The goalkeeper dives to the side. A2 then kicks the ball and scores.

- A. The referee shall award a goal and restart with a kickoff.
- B. The referee shall rule no goal and order the kick to be retaken.**
- C. The referee shall caution the player for unsporting conduct.
- D. The referee shall not award a goal and restart the game with a goal kick.

### **QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2017-18**

3. In the MHSAA tournament, a match is suspended due to weather in the 55<sup>th</sup> minute with Central HS leading West HS 2-0. The conditions make it impossible to resume on this day. **What is the most correct ruling?**

- A. More than one half has been completed, so the game is official. Final score: Central 2, West 0.
- B. More than 50 minutes have been completed, so the game is official. Final score: Central 2, West 0.
- C. Although 60 minutes have not been completed, there is more than a one-goal differential. The game is official. Final score: Central 2, West 0.**

- D. The game must be played in its entirety. Resume play from point of suspension.
13. When a coach, team attendant or bench personnel are shown a 2nd yellow card, the official shall then follow the 2nd yellow card with a red card, and if that person is an adult, they must remove themselves out of sight and sound. True or false? **TRUE**
18. During a goal kick:
- A. The ball may be moved to the opposite side after it has been placed by the kicker.
  - B. The goalkeeper may pick up the ball and kick it.
  - C. All players must be outside the penalty area except the goalkeeper.
  - D. None of the above.**

**QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2016-17**

10. Player A receives a caution in the 10<sup>th</sup> minute of the game, and then another in the 30<sup>th</sup> minute.
- A. Player A is also shown a red card, and is disqualified from the game. His team may send in a substitute and the team continues to play 11 v 11.
  - B. Player A is also shown a red card, and is disqualified from the game. His team may NOT send in a substitute – the team must play 11 v 10.**
16. Which of the following is not true concerning when either team may substitute an unlimited number of players from the bench?
- A. When a goal is scored.
  - B. When a player is injured and removed from the field.
  - C. When a caution has been issued to a field player.**
  - D. Between periods.
17. During a penalty kick, A3 from behind the arc, runs onto the ball after it has been moved forward by kicker A2. A3 kicks the ball forward into the goal across the goal line. The referee:
- A. Nullifies the goal and issues A3 a yellow card.
  - B. Nullifies the goal and restarts with a goal kick.
  - C. Awards the goal and restarts with a kickoff for Team B.**
  - D. Restarts the game with a corner kick for Team B.
20. Team A is awarded a free kick at midfield during active play and wants to play the ball quickly. A player from Team B does not move back 10 yards from the kick in an effort to deliberately slow down the taking of the kick. What is the restart?
- A. Stop the game and show the player of Team B where you judge 10 yards to be.
  - B. Warn the player from Team B he/she is required to move 10 yards from the ball.
  - C. Stop the play and caution the player from Team B for failing to move the required distance. Play will resume with the original free kick for Team A.**
  - D. Tell Team A they should have played the ball around the player from Team B since they want a quick restart

### QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2015-16

4. In the MHSAA tournament, a match is suspended due to weather in the 65<sup>th</sup> minute with Central HS leading West HS 1-0. The conditions make it impossible to resume on this day. What is the correct ruling?
- A. More than one half has been completed, so the game is official. Final score: Central 1, West 0.
  - B. More than 50 minutes have been completed, so the game is official. Final score: Central 1, West 0.
  - C. More than 60 minutes have been completed, so the game is official. Final score: Central 1, West 0.**
  - D. The game must be played in its entirety. Resume play from point of suspension.
5. In the MHSAA tournament, a match is suspended due to weather in the 35<sup>th</sup> minute with Central HS leading West HS 8-0. The conditions make it impossible to resume on this day. What is the correct ruling?
- A. The Point Differential Rule is in effect. The game does not need to be resumed. Final score: Central 8, West 0.
  - B. At least one complete half has not been played. Resume game as allowed by MHSAA Handbook regulations.**
  - C. At least 60 minutes must be played in the MHSAA tournament. Resume game from point of suspension.
9. By mutual consent, coaches and officials in the MHSAA tournament can alter the overtime procedure by...
- A. Coaches and officials may never alter the overtime procedure.**
  - B. Playing a "Golden Goal" overtime period.
  - C. Playing two five-minute overtime periods.
11. Which signals should MHSAA center referees be using?
- A. The 9 signals listed in the NFHS Soccer Rules Book.**
  - B. The old, expanded set of 23 signals which include signals for Tripping, Holding and Pushing.
16. The first half ends. As the teams are leaving the field, A5 strikes B5 and is disqualified for violent conduct.
- A. Team A may replace A5 and field 11 players starting the second half. Player A may participate in the next game.
  - B. Team A may replace A5 and field 11 players starting the second half. A5 is ineligible to participate in the next game.**
  - C. Team A may not replace A5 and will field 10 players starting the second half. A5 may participate in the next game.
  - D. Team A may not replace A5 and will field 10 players starting the second half. A5 is ineligible to participate in the next game.
20. The referee observes the goalkeeper moving laterally along the goal line before the penalty kick is taken. The kick is blocked by the goalkeeper and goes out of bounds.
- A. The referee shall award a re-kick.
  - B. The referee shall award a corner kick.**
  - C. The referee shall award a goal kick.
22. Because of inclement weather, both coaches agree before the game to shorten the halftime period to five minutes. The referee may allow the change. True or false? **TRUE**

29. The team area on a field is not marked.
- A. Do not start the game until the proper markings are in place.
  - B. Begin the game, and then notify the athletic director, and possibly the MHSAA, to make sure the field is properly marked for the next game.**
29. The home coach presents a roster to the referee which shows the names of all of the players. The roster does not show the names of the coaches or other bench personnel.
- A. The game may not begin until the coach provides a complete roster.**
  - B. The game may begin if the coach promises to provide a complete roster by the end of the game.
  - C. The game may begin. Inclusion of the coaches' names on the roster is not required.
  - D. The game may begin but the referee should remind the coach that a complete roster is required for future games.

### **QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2014-15**

9. When does the new "white uniform" (jersey tops and socks) start in Michigan?
- A. This school year: 2013-14
  - B. Next school year: 2014-15**
  - C. Never
11. For the first violation by a team, a player is found guilty of failure to wear required equipment or is wearing illegal equipment. The player must leave the game, but when can the player re-enter?
- A. At the next stoppage of play.
  - B. At the next stoppage of play, but only after the official is satisfied that the equipment is in order.
  - B. At the next substitution opportunity.
  - D. At the next substitution opportunity, but only after the official is satisfied that the equipment is in order.**
27. During play, A1, the goalkeeper, is injured in a collision with B5, who is also injured. The referee stops play and calls the coach or trainer from both teams onto the field to attend to their players.
- A. B5 must leave the field and may be replaced.
  - B. A1 must leave the field and may be replaced.
  - C. Both B5 and A1 must leave the field and may be replaced.**
  - D. Since A1 is the goalkeeper, neither B5 nor A1 are required to leave the field.
28. B8 is sprinting on a breakaway with only goalkeeper A1 to beat. Just as B8 shoots, A3 uses an NFL-style wrap to put both arms around both legs to tackle and bring B8 to the ground. The ball goes into the net.
- A. Since the goal was scored, caution A3.
  - B. Even though a goal was scored, A3's disproportionate and unnecessary force requires a red card.**
20. Player A has his back to the play and the ball is kicked into his hand.
- A. This is handling. Referee should award a direct free kick.
  - B. This is handling. Referee should award an indirect free kick.
  - C. The referee is correct if she makes no call.**
19. A player cannot be offside if he/she receives the ball directly from...
- A. A goal kick.
  - B. A corner kick.

- C. A throw in.
- D. All of the above.**

**QUESTIONS NOT USED IN 2013-14**

9. Early in the game, Player A is cautioned and receives a yellow card. Later in the game, Player A is shown a red card only.
- A. Player A may be replaced, but may play on the team's next day of competition.
  - B. Player A may be replaced, but may not play on the team's next day of competition.
  - C. Player A may not be replaced and the team plays short, but may play on the team's next day of competition.
  - D. Player A may not be replaced and the team plays short, and may not play on the team's next day of competition.**
7. What team roster information shall be given to officials at least five minutes prior to the start of the contest?
- A. First and last names of all players.
  - B. First and last names and numbers of all players.
  - C. First and last names and numbers of all players, substitutes and all coaches.
  - D. First and last names and numbers of all players, substitutes, all bench personnel and all coaches.**
13. If a player is cautioned or ejected; the substitute for the cautioned or ejected player need not have been at the scorekeeper/timers table beforehand. Subs from the other team however must have been at the table before the stoppage in play. True or false? **TRUE**
17. Player A1 takes a corner kick that hits the goal post and rebounds back to A1, who then kicks the ball into the goal.
- A. The referee should allow the goal.
  - B. The referee should allow an indirect free kick to the opponent from the spot of infringement.**
  - C. The referee should allow a direct free kick to the opponent from the spot of infringement.
19. Player A2 takes a penalty kick, but before the ball touches another player, or before the ball hits the crossbar or goalpost, a dog runs onto the field and stops the ball.
- A. The referee shall restart the game with a drop ball.
  - B. The referee shall make A2 retake the kick regardless of the outcome of the kick.**
  - C. The referee shall award a corner kick to Team A.
22. The officials may wear a jersey color that matches the jersey color of the goalkeeper of either team. True or false? **TRUE**
24. A severe storm starts at halftime of a regular season game and, in the opinion of the referee, the storm will continue for some time. The referee may suspend the game and declare it a legal, completed game with the score at the end of the first half being the final score of the game. True or false? **TRUE**
26. The visiting arrives at the field wearing a light colored jersey. The home team is also in a similar light jersey. The home team can only provide pinnies of a dark color for a team to wear. Which team do the officials make wear the dark pinnies?
- A. Visiting Team**
  - B. Home Team.

28. Players participating in shootouts as part of overtime procedures...
- A. May be chosen from any eligible players that ended the game on the field.
  - B. May be chosen from any eligible players on or off the field, even players who have not served their full 10-minute penalty for a yellow card.
  - C. **May be chosen from any eligible players on or off the field, except players who have been disqualified or who have not served their full 10-minute penalty for a yellow card.**
29. The MHSAA still requires that a doctor's medical release be shown to the officials when a player with a properly padded cast wishes to wear one during a game. The officials should take custody of the release until the end of the match. True or false? **TRUE**
30. A player may wear a protective face mask if a medical doctor's release is shown to the game officials. The officials still will make the final ruling if the mask does not protrude such that it is considered dangerous. True or false? **TRUE**