

2024-25 MHSAA Soccer Officials Tournament Consideration Exam

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.
 - 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).
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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.