

Good morning!

IT IS HERE! Tipoff 2019!!!!!! Ready or not, here we go!

PLEASE make sure to stretch and be loose for you game(s) today.....nobody needs a pulled muscle!

Let's jump right in.....pretty sure this will happen somewhere tonight! Take a look at the clip [here](#).

Obviously we have a double foul here. No doubt that the T was sending it the other way with a PC. Let's look at a few topics in the play.....

- 1) The call...correct? Ask yourself 'what did the defender do wrong?' Looks like he established LGP and moved backwards...all legal defense.....
- 2) WHOSE call is this.....in this particular play, this is probably the toughest question to answer. The drive initiated from T and was into L' primary. No doubt T is still looking at it and L has also received the play. This is a very tough play to NOT have a double whistle. SO....when we DO have a double whistle on this play, what helps us avoid the dreaded blarge?
 - a) BOTH OFFICIALS need to hold their signal. Both have a whistle and need to look at each other.....T tried to because he saw L out of the corner of his eye. L seemed to look at T and 'took it' anyhow. We NEED to communicate somehow. PERSONALLY, I have a very hard (almost impossible) time of holding when I have a PC. In my pregame, I talk about holding your signal if you have a block. Some pregames I am in, the R talks about letting L take these calls.....the bottom line here is that we need to TALK about these types of potential plays in pregame and how we will handle them. If you don't agree you MUST speak up in the pregame. When I am in the pregame I mentioned that the R talks about L taking the play, I ALWAYS say "I will have a real hard time holding my signal if I have a PC." Your partners MUST know this!!!! TALK TO EACH OTHER!
 - b) The two officials SHOULD have went directly to each other and discussed what they had. This looks better than one official just 'taking it to the table' like nothing else happened.
- 3) So we DO have a blarge.....how do we resume play? This is a case play! Here it is!

4.19.8 SITUATION C:

A1 drives for a try and jumps and releases the ball. Contact occurs between A1 and B1 after the release and before airborne shooter A1 returns one foot to the floor. One official rules a blocking foul on B1 and the other official rules a charging foul on A1. The try is (a) successful, or (b) not successful.

RULING: Even though airborne shooter A1 committed a charging foul, it is not a player-control foul because the two fouls result in a double personal foul. The double foul does not cause the ball to become dead on the try. In (a), the goal is scored; play is resumed at the point of interruption, which is a throw-in for Team B from anywhere along the end line. In (b), the point of interruption is a try in flight; therefore the alternating-possession procedure is used. (4-36)

Hopefully this play isn't in YOUR game tonight, but now you are refreshed on how to handle it!!!

Have a GREAT tipoff weekend! Feel free to send me clips of interesting plays! Remember, coaches are almost ALWAYS willing to share film with you....just ask!

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