

NORTH COAST SECTION EJECTION POLICY

FOOTBALL - 2011

The following is a summary of the rules pertaining to the NCS Ejection Policy in football. This summary is provided for athletic directors, coaches and league commissioners. Athletes and coaches may be disqualified from competition for many reasons according to National Federation rules. This summary outlines which rules will apply to the NCS Ejection Policy. **Please review these rules with your coaches and student athletes.** Any act by an athlete or coach that is unsportsmanlike or dangerous conduct shall subject the student or coach to ejection and application of the NCS Ejection Policy. It is important to note that a one game or contest ejection is not a substitute for appropriate counseling of the student or the coach, nor for the student's or coach's demonstrated contrition and acceptance of responsibility for the action(s) which led to the ejection. The one game or contest suspension is the universal penalty for ejection from a contest but in no way is it a substitute for a school's and coach's responsibility to provide appropriate counseling, remedial action, and discipline. Each league shall establish a procedure for reporting ejections (NCS Sports & General Rulings Handbook - bylaw 307H).

Coaches Review Content

League commissioners shall have coaches review the content of the Ejection Policy for the coaches' respective sport at the end of the season meeting and make recommendations for change. The league commissioner will direct such recommendations to the NCS Sports Advisory Committee ("SAC"), which will consider them. The SAC will determine whether to forward recommendations to the Board of Managers for change.

(Board of Managers 10/24/97)

School Administration and Coaches' Responsibility

School administrators and coaches are responsible for determining the cause of ejection for any coach or player and are responsible for enforcement of the Ejection Policy. Confusion over the cause for a coach's or player's ejection shall not be the basis for allowing a student who has been ejected under an applicable rule to avoid the sanctions required by the Ejection Policy (either prohibition from participation or forfeiture should a student or coach who is in violation of the Ejection Policy participates in a subsequent contest).

(Board of Managers 10/24/97)

Note: Any act by an athlete or coach that is unsportsmanlike or dangerous conduct shall subject the student or coach to ejection from the contest and application of the NCS Ejection Policy will apply.

SPORT	RULE	DESCRIPTION	Does the rule apply to the NCS Ejection Policy?
Football	9-4-1	No player or nonplayer shall fight.	Yes
	9-4-2	No player or nonplayer shall intentionally contact a game official.	Yes
	9-4-3 (a - l)	No player or nonplayer shall: a) Swing the foot, shin or knee into an opponent, nor extend the knee to meet a blocker. b) Charge into or throw an opponent to the ground after he is obviously out of the play, or after the ball is clearly dead either in or out-of-bounds. c) Pile on any player who is lying on the ground. d) Hurdle an opponent. e) Position himself on the shoulders or body of a teammate or opponent to gain an advantage. f) Throw a helmet to trip an opponent. g) Make any other contact with an opponent which is deemed unnecessary and which incites roughness. h) Grasp an opponent's face mask or any edge of a helmet opening. i) Initiate illegal helmet contact. (butt block, face tackle or spear) (includes i1, 2 and 3) j) Strike an opponent with his fist, locked hands, forearm or elbow, nor kick or knee him. k) Grab the inside back or side collar of the shoulder pads or jersey of the runner and subsequently pull the runner to the ground (Horse-collar tackle)	Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes*
	9-4-4	Roughing the passer.	Yes*

SPORT	RULE	DESCRIPTION	Does the rule apply to the NCS Ejection Policy?	
	9-4-5	Running into or roughing the kicker or holder. A defensive player shall neither run into the kicker nor holder, which is contact that displaces the kicker or holder without roughing; nor block, tackle or charge into the kicker of a scrimmage kick, or the place-kick holder, other than when: (a), (b), (c) and (d)	Yes*	
Football Cont.	9-4-6	Roughing the snapper.	Yes*	
	9-4-7	No defensive player may use the hand(s) to slap the blocker's head.	Yes*	
	9-5-1	No player shall act in an unsportsmanlike manner once the officials assume authority for the contest. Examples are, but not limited to: a) Baiting or taunting acts or words or insignia worn which engenders ill will. b) Using profanity, insulting or vulgar language or gestures. c) Any delayed, excessive or prolonged act by which a player attempts to focus attention upon himself. d) Using disconcerting acts or words prior to the snap in an attempt to interfere with A's signals or movements. e) Intentionally kicking at the ball, other than during a legal kick. f) Leaving the field between downs to gain an advantage unless replaced or unless with permission of an official. g) Refusing to comply with an official's request. h) Using tobacco or smokeless tobacco.	Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* No Yes* No*	
	9-5-2	When the ball becomes dead in possession of a player, he shall not: a) Intentionally kick the ball. b) Spike the ball into the ground. c) Throw the ball high into the air or from the field of play. d) Intentionally fail to place the ball on the ground or immediately return it to a nearby official.	Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes*	
	*=Disqualification if the foul is flagrant. If not considered flagrant, the second unsportsmanlike foul will result in disqualification.			
	9-8-1	No coach, substitute, trainer or other team attendant shall act in an unsportsmanlike manner once the officials assume authority for the contest. Examples are, but not limited to: a) Using profanity, insulting or vulgar language or gestures. b) Attempting to influence a decision by an official. c) Disrespectfully addressing an official. d) Indicating objections to an official's decision. e) Using any illegal communication equipment as outlined in 1-5-3b and 1-6. f) Holding an unauthorized conference. g) The failure of a team to be ready to start either half. h) Failure of the head coach, following verification, to have his player(s) wear or use legal and/required equipment. I) Being on the field except as a substitute or replaced player. j) Using tobacco or smokeless tobacco. k) Being outside the team box but no on the field. l) A substitute who leaves the team box during a fight.	Yes* Yes* Yes* Yes* No No No No No No* No Yes	
9-8-1 Penalty	Any single flagrant foul is disqualification. A second unsportsmanlike foul with a 15-yards and disqualification.			