

2018 TABLE TALK

GREET YOUR TABLE PERSONELL, ASK THEIR NAMES & WELCOME THEM AS PART OF THE “OFFICIATING CREW.”

FIND OUT WHICH ONE IS THE “OFFICIAL” SCOREKEEPER FROM THE HOME TEAM AND WHO IS THE TIMEKEEPER, ALSO SUPPLIED FROM THE HOME TEAM.

EXPLAIN TO THEM, THEIR ROLE IS **CRITICAL** IN PROVIDING FOR A SMOOTH ENFORCEMENT OF TODAY’S “FAIR GAME.”

ASK, IF WE HAVE A SCOREBOOK, SUPPLIED BY THE HOME TEAM, AS WELL AS A WORKING HORN AND CLOCK? FURTHERMORE, DO WE HAVE A SUPPLY OF NOSCAE GAME BALLS AT THE TABLE? (GOOD TIME TO INSPECT) YOU MIGHT ASK YOUR TABLE PERSONEL, IS THERE A “GAME ASSISTANT” WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY IT IS TO PLACE A MINIMUM OF 4 BALLS ALONG THE FAR SIDELINE AS WELL AS EACH END LINE, AND 4 AT THE SCORER’S TABLE AND TO MAINTAIN THE NECESSARY NUMBER & PLACEMENT OF BALLS AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH QUARTER..

ASK, IF THEY HAVE DONE THIS BEFORE AND THEN ASK IF YOU CAN REFRESH THEIR MEMORY AS BELOW:

VARSIITY: 12 MINUTE QUARTERS (JV – 10 MINS), START AND STOP ON THE WHISTLE, UNLESS AT ANY TIME IN THE SECOND HALF, THERE IS A 12 GOAL DIFFERENTIAL AT WHICH TIME THE CLOCK AS WELL AS PENALTY CLOCK RUN, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A “TIMEOUT” OR INJURY OR IF WE SHOULD GO BACK TO AN 11 GOAL DIFFERENTIAL, WHERE WE GO BACK TO “START AND STOP” ON THE WHISTLE.

THERE WILL BE **NO HORNS FOR SUBSTITUTIONS**, ALL SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE “ON THE FLY” AND CAN BE DONE AT ANY POINT IN THE GAME, “DEAD” BALL OR “LIVE” BALL.

THE ONLY TIME WE WILL NOW NEED A HORN WOULD BE AT THE END OF EACH QUARTER AND UPON A COACH’S REQUEST DURING A “DEAD BALL,” AT WHICH TIME YOU WOULD BLOW A DOUBLE HORN.

WHILE WE ARE ON THE TOPIC OF THE HORN, I WOULD HAVE YOU, AS OUR TIMEKEEPER, TO KINDLY AND LOUDLY CALL OUT THE LAST 10 SECONDS OF EACH QUARTER, SO THAT THE FAR SIDE OFFICIAL CAN HEAR YOU AND PLEASE DO REMEMBER, THAT IT IS 3....2.....1...”0!” IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO SAY “0!”

NOW AS REGARDS THE MAJOR CHANGES OF THIS YEAR, WE COULD HAVE SHOT AFTER THE END OF A PERIOD, SO THE SOUNDING OF THE HORN IS IMPORTANT!!! IS THEER A HORN ON THE CLOCK?

PLEASE ALSO TO REMEMBER TO REMIND THE CLOSEST OFFICIAL TO THE TABLE WHEN THERE ARE 2 MINUTES AND TEN SECONDS (2’10”) REMAINING IN THE 4th QUARTER AND

THEN AGAIN WHEN THERE ARE JUST TWO (2) MINUTES REMAINING. AT THAT TIME, WE HAVE A SPECIAL SET OF RULES.

NOW, AS THE OFFICIAL SCORER, I WOULD ASK YOU TO WRITE DOWN ON THE SCOREBOOK, THE NUMBER OF THE PLAYER WHO SCORES, AS WELL AS THE TIME OF THE GOAL." ON THE FIELD, WE DO NOT KEEP ASSISTS, SO YOU MAY NEED TO GET THAT FROM THE TEAM, IF NEEDED.

I WOULD ALSO ASK YOU TO KEEP A RECORD THE NUMBER OF TIME OUTS AS WELL AS THE TIME ON THE CLOCK WHEN TIMEOUTS ARE TAKEN BY EACH TEAM. EACH TEAM GETS 2 TIMEOUTS PER HALF. AT THE END OF EVERY QUARTER, ONE OF US WILL VERIFY THE GOALS AND TIMEOUTS WITH YOU.

LIKewise, I WOULD ASK YOU, _____, TO KEEP A SEPARATE TIME CLOCK ON ALL PENALTIES. I WOULD ASK YOU TO MAKE SURE THE PENALIZED PLAYER TAKES A KNEE IN FRONT OF THE TABLE, EXCEPT FOR THE LAST 10 SECONDS OF HIS PENALTY, WHEN HE CAN BE SUBSTITUTED FOR OR WAIT FOR HIS PENALTY EXPIRATION IN THE FRONT OF THE BOX.

ALSO, _____, WHEN YOU COUNTING DOWN A PLAYER'S PENALTY, PLEASE REFER TO HIS "COLOR" (BLUE), THEN HIS NUMBER (42) AND COUNT DOWN HIS LAST 10 SECONDS "OUT LOUD" AND THEN ANNOUNCE "RELEASE AS HIS PENALTY EXPIRES.

"SCORER, ONE OF THE MOST CRITICAL THINGS YOU CAN ASSIST US WITH IS THIS...IF A PLAYER SERVING HIS PENALTY TIME ENTERS THE GAME BEFORE HIS PENALTY EXPIRES, IF YOU WOULD KINDLY BLOW A DOUBLE HORN AT THE NEXT DEAD BALL, SECURE MY ATTENTION AND I WILL COME OVER TO ADJUDICATE HIS PENALTY. IF AT THAT TIME, YOU CAN HELP ME BY NOTING, HOW MUCH GAME TIME WAS LEFT IN THE QUARTER, HOW MUCH REMAINED ON HIS PENALTY WHEN HE ENTERED AND WHICH TEAM WAS IN POSSESSION OF THE BALL AND ITS LOCATION, I WILL FIGURE OUT THE REST...

NOW AS REGARDS THE MAJOR CHANGES OF THIS YEAR, WE COULD HAVE SHOT AFTER THE END OF A PERIOD, SO THE SOUNDING OF THE HORN IS IMPORTANT!!!

I SUPPOSE YOU HAVE ALREADY NOTICED THAT THE SUBSTITUTION BOX HAS BEEN INCREASED TO A DISTANCE OF 10 YARDS ON EACH SIDE OF THE CENTER LINE, SO WE NOW HAVE A 20 YARDS FOR PLAYERS TO SUBSTITUTE, (WHICH WILL HOPEFULLY MAKE IT EASIER FOR YOU TO VIEW THE GAME).

LET US NOW BRIEFLY REVIEW THE SIGNALS, WHICH WILL BE MOST IMPORTANT TO YOU. PLEASE SHOW THEM THE SIGNAL FOR "SLASH," (1 MINUTE) AND PERHAPS "ILLEGAL BODY CHECK" (2 MINUTES) - YOU MIGHT ALSO SHARE, "ANYTIME THERE IS "PERSONAL FOUL," YOU WILL SEE ONE OF US DROP THE FLAG, WHICH WILL MEAN SOMEONE IS GOING TO SERVE PENALTY TIME & WE WILL ANNOUNCE HOW MUCH.

NOW SHOW HER THE "T" SIGNAL FOR TECHNICAL FOUL AND INDICATE ANY TIME YOU GIVE THAT SIGNAL, A PLAYER WILL BE SERVING PENALTY TIME. PERHAPS DEMONSTRATE THE SIGNAL FOR HOLDING AND OFF SIDES, ETC.

NOW, I WOULD DEMONSTRATE THE SIGNAL FOR "SIMULTANEOUS" FOULS, AS WELL AS NON-RELEASABLE FOULS AND BE CLEAR THAT ANYTIME, WE HAVE TWO PLAYERS WHOSE PENALTY

TIME BEGIN AT THE EXACT SAME “TICK” OF THE CLOCK, THE LESSER OR EQUAL TIME WILL ALWAYS BE FULL TIME, OR AS WE SAY, “LOCKED-IN.”

ALSO, WHENEVER YOU HAVE A NON-RELEASABLE FOULS, REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY GOALS ARE SCORED, THAT PLAYER MUST SERVE HIS FULL TIME AND WHENEVER THE SAME PLAYER HAS MULTIPLE PENALTIES, THE NON-RELEASABLES ARE ALWAYS SERVED FIRST.

OF COURSE, ON ANY “TECHNICAL” OR “RELEASABLE” FOUL, A GOAL SCORED BY HIS TEAM, WILL RELEASE THE REMAINDER OF HIS OPPONENT’S PENALTY TIME & ONLY PLAYERS SERVING IN THE BOX.

MOST, OF ALL, YOU (“LADIES”), I HOPE YOU HAVE A FUN TIME AND THANKS FOR BEING HERE TODAY, BUT I WOULD ASK YOU ONE THING, PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONES DURING THIS ENTIRE GAME!

