

2018 RULE CHANGE REQUEST

EXTENSION OF PERIODS - (Rule 3-2-3-a-1)

RULE 3-2-3-a-1, FR-47.

A.R. 3-2-3-VIII, FI-12.

ADD: If the statement of the penalty includes a loss of down, the period may be extended at the option of the offended team.

Rule 3-2-3-a-1 (after change): A penalty is accepted for a live ball foul(s) not treated as a dead ball foul (Exception: 10-2-5-a). If the statement of the penalty includes a loss of down, the period may be extended at the option of the offended team.

A.R. 3-2-3-VIII (after change): Time expires in the first quarter on a play in which A12 is beyond the neutral zone when he completes a pass to A88 in Team B's end zone. **RULING:** Team B accepts the penalty to nullify the score. Team B also has the option to extend the period.

A.R. 3-2-3-IX (new): Third down. Time expires in the first quarter on a play in which A12 is beyond the neutral zone on A's 22 when he completes a pass to A88. Team B has the wind in the quarter. **RULING:** If Team B accepts the penalty, Team B also has the option to extend the period.

NOTE: Additional plays to support this rule change are on the next page (next selection on web site).

INTENT:

In A.R. 3-2-3-IX (new) above, the period would be extended and Team A would have to punt into the wind. Under the current rule, the teams would change ends and Team A would punt with the wind. Also, if a penalty carries a loss of down and it is fourth down, the opponent would be able to snap the ball with an untimed down at their option. Under the current rule, the period would end.

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