

Rules Questions – Week of 11.5.26

Q. In hurling, if someone taking a sideline ball goes to hit the ball and misses the ball making no contact, does the player have a chance to take it again or do they have to play it away straight away or can they not touch it?

A. In this instance the player has the opportunity to play the ball on the ground without delay.

2.5 (a) For all free pucks, including penalties, the ball may be struck with the hurley in either of two ways:

(i) Lift the ball with the hurley at the first attempt and strike it with the hurley.

(ii) Strike the ball on the ground.

'Lifting' the ball with the hurley shall not constitute 'striking' the ball.

*(b) If a player taking a free puck or penalty fails to lift the ball at the first attempt, or fails to strike it with the hurley, **the player must strike it on the ground without delay.***

This shall also be allowed in the case of a Penalty Puck or other Free Puck awarded on the 20m line, even if the initial action causes the ball to marginally cross inside the 20m line.

Only when the player taking the Free Puck or Penalty Puck delays may a player of either side approach nearer than is specified in Rule 2.4

Q. In hurling, if a player taking a sideline makes minimal contact with the ball when originally striking the ball, can they touch it again before another player plays it?

A. In this instance as the player did make contact with the ball and if they play the ball again on the ground, this will lead to a throw ball.

4.20 To play the ball again after taking a free/penalty/sideline puck before another player has played it, unless the ball rebounds off the goalposts or crossbar.

Penalty for the above fouls-

(i) Cancel free puck or sideline puck.

(ii) Throw in the ball where the foul occurred, except as provided under Exceptions (v) and (vi) of Rule 2.2

Q. In hurling, if a player taking a free rises the ball however falls off their stick onto the ground, can they play the ball on the ground?

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Q. In the Monaghan v Derry Ulster football semi-final game there were calls that Monaghan's sideline to take the game to extra time should only have been a 1 pointer. Should it have been a 1 pointer or was a 2 pointer correct?

A. In this instance, the award of a 2-point score was correct. If the ball is kicked from a sideline outside the 21m line, it is a 2-point score. In the Cork v Kerry game, a 1-point score was awarded to Cork as the kick from the sideline was inside the 21m line. The player taking the sideline must kick the ball from behind the line.

Q. For underage hurling and football, are black carded players at u18 and below allowed to be replaced during their 10-minute sin bin?

A. This is correct. The black carded player can be replaced for the 10-minute spell in the sin bin.

Football

6.4 To show dissent with the Referee's decision to award a free to the opposing team.

Penalty - *The free kick already awarded shall be taken from a place 50m more advantageous than the place of original kick – up to opponents' 13m line. The player taking the free may choose to take the free kick from outside the 40m arc though the application of this Rule would otherwise result in a free kick from inside the 40m arc. Further dissent shall be considered a breach of Rule 6.1 and shall be penalised accordingly.*

Additional penalty at Under 18 or younger grades - Order the offender off for ten minutes in the Sin Bin by showing the offender a Black Card. The offending player can be replaced immediately by a Temporary Substitute for the duration of the ten minutes. In these circumstances, the following acts shall not count as substitutions under Rule 2.3 (i) and (ii), Rules of Specification:

- (1) The use of the Temporary Substitute for a player instructed to leave the field.
- (2) The return to the field of play of the player who was ordered off as a direct replacement for the Temporary Substitute.
- (3) The return to the field of play of the player who was ordered off as a replacement for any other player if the Temporary Substitute has previously been sent off or substituted.

Hurling

6.4 To show dissent with the Referee's decision to award a free puck to the opposing team.

Penalty - The free puck already awarded shall be taken from a place 30m more advantageous than the place of original free puck, up to the opponents' 20m line. Further dissent on an occasion shall be considered as a breach of Rule 6.1 and shall be penalised accordingly.

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