

Rules Questions 13.7.2026

Q. What is the rule with dimensions on Hurley bas size, can a goalie use the goalie Hurley to take a free outside the goal scoring area?

A. Please see the dimensions below. The goalkeeper can use the goalkeeper hurley to take a free outside of the puck out area.

- Juvenile (Child) up to and including 26" Hurley - Maximum Bas of 15cm
- Junior (Youth) up to and including 30" Hurley - Maximum bas of 16cm
- Senior (Adult) 30" up to and including 36" Hurley - Maximum bas of 17cm
- Adult Goalkeeper Hurley maximum bas size of 21cm

Q. Referee awards a 50m penalty for a player tackled when executing a solo and go. The player then takes a solo and go again. At this stage, is the advancement of the 50m penalty cancelled by the solo and go?

A. In this instance as the player decided to take a Solo & Go and if taken immediately after the second foul the player can decide to continue to play. The player made the decision to Solo & Go rather than taking the 50m advancement.

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(a) A free kick, other than a penalty kick or a 45m free kick as prescribed in Rule 2.8, or a free kick awarded for a Mark, may be taken from the hands or from the ground or by means of a Solo and Go. A player having indicated their option to the referee shall not be permitted to change that decision.

(b) The ball shall be stationary when a free kick is taken from the ground.

(c) Where a Solo and Go is availed of, it must be taken from a position within four metres of where the foul has occurred and must be taken immediately after the free has been awarded and without undue delay unless the referee has stopped play for any purpose such as to allow for attention to be given to an injured player or to deal with a disciplinary issue. The ball must not travel backwards. A player taking a Solo and Go may not be challenged within four metres of the position where the Solo and Go was taken. A Solo and Go may not be taken within the opposition 20m line. Where a Solo and Go is not taken from a position within four metres of where the foul has occurred or is not taken immediately, the free must be taken from the hands or from the ground, at the point where the foul occurred.

2.6 With the Referee's consent, a free kick may be taken immediately.

Exceptions:

- (i) A penalty kick and a free kick awarded to a team from their opponents' 13m line.*

(ii) *A player taking a Solo and Go does not require the Referee's consent unless the Referee has stopped play for any purpose such as to allow for attention to be given to an injured player or to deal with a disciplinary issue.*

Q. Advanced mark - football

Where ball is played in from outside 45m line and caught inside the 20m line at a point 5m from the endline and free is brought back for the mark, is the point of the free from the point of the mark 5m from the endline or out to the 13m line?

A. 2.12 (a) The free kick shall be taken from the point where the Mark is awarded except in the case of a Mark awarded to an attacking team inside a 13m line when the free shall be taken from the point on the 13m line directly in line with where the Mark is awarded.

Q. Football - Defender directly receives his goalkeepers kickout inside the arc. Free awarded and defender hands ball to opposition forward who immediately takes a solo & go and scores from the play. Is it correct to allow the solo & go and award the score?

A. The rule states that a free kick is awarded thus a Solo & Go is not possible from a defending player playing the ball inside the 40m arc.

4.27 For another player on the team taking a kick-out to play the ball before it has travelled outside the 40m arc.

Penalty - A free kick from where the foul occurred.

Q. Football - A foul is committed on an attacking team 55 metres from the defensive goal. Advantage is played and a subsequent foul is committed on the attacking team inside the arc? Is the free taken from the place closest to goal or can it be brought back outside to the position of the original foul?

A. The team in possession have the option to decide on which place is most advantageous to them. The Referee shall advise the attacking team that they have the option.

Q. Football - Midfield mark is awarded and the player plays on but is tackled within 4 metres and a free is awarded. Is the player entitled to take a solo & go in that situation? If so and he is subsequently tackled within 4 metres can the free be advanced up to 50 metres?

A. In this situation the player is entitled to take a Solo & Go. Beyond the Solo & Go, if the player is tackled within the 4m it would in turn lead to a 50m advancement.

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(b) A player who makes a Kick Out Mark may play on immediately and, in this circumstance, the player may not be challenged within four metres of the position from where the Kick Out Mark is made.

Q. Football - Can an attacking mark be awarded when the ball is

- 1. Kicked in from a free kick**
- 2. Kicked from a sideline**
- 3. Kicked in from a midfield mark where the player has claimed the mark?**

A.

1. The Advanced Mark **is not possible** from a free kick
2. The Advanced Mark **is not possible** from a sideline ball
3. The Advanced Mark **is possible** to claim from a Kick Out Mark. This is the only set play scenario where an advanced Mark can be claimed from

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(ii) When a player catches the ball cleanly on or inside the 20m line from a kick in play or from a kick-out mark, delivered by an attacking player on or beyond the opposing team's 45m line, and without it touching the ground (an Advanced Mark).

Q. In hurling, a player is too close when taking a free (a) from the own team (b) from opposing team. What are the sanctions

A.

- (a) Free puck from where the foul occurred, except as provided under Exceptions of Rule 2.2.
- (b) Free puck 13m more advantageous than the place of original puck - up to opponents' 20m line.

2.4 (a) In general, and save as provided hereunder in this Rule:

*In the case of a Free Puck being taken, **all players, except the player taking the free puck**, shall not be nearer than 20m before the free puck is struck.*

In the case of a Throw-In after a foul(s), all players, except those contesting the throw-in, shall not be nearer than 13m before the throw-in is made

Q. In hurling, a player is too close when taking a sideline (a) from the own team (b) from opposing team. What are the sanctions

A.

(a) Free puck from where the foul occurred, except as provided under Exceptions of Rule 2.2.

(b) Free puck 13m more advantageous than the place of original puck - up to opponents' 20m line.

*2.8 **All players except the player taking the sideline puck**, or the two players contesting the throw-in, shall be at least 13m from the ball until it is struck or thrown in.*

If a player taking a sideline puck fails to strike the ball at the first attempt, the player shall not delay in making a second attempt. Only when the player delays the second attempt to strike the ball may a player from either side approach nearer than 13m.

Q. In hurling, a player is too close when taking a puck out (a) from the own team (b) from opposing team. What are the sanctions

A.

(a) Cancel puck-out.

Throw in the ball on defenders' 20m line opposite the scoring space.

(b) Free puck from the defenders' 20m line opposite where the foul occurred.

(a) 4.27 To be inside own 20m line when one's team is taking a puck-out except as provided in Rule 2.6.

(b) 4.14 To be inside opponents' 20m line before a puck-out is taken after a wide.