

LAWS OF THE GAME XIX

Read the following questions and choose the correct answer.

- 1. Applying advantage means...
 - a. The referee allows the game to continue if the team against which the offence was committed will benefit from such an advantage.
 - b. The player who commits the offence benefits from the action.
 - c. The play continues if the team the offence was committed against remains in possession of the ball.
 - d. None of the answers is correct.
- 2. An attacker with an obvious goalscoring opportunity heads the ball. At this moment, his shirt is pulled by an opponent. The referee applies advantage. The ball is passed directly to a team-mate who scores a goal. What decision should the referee make?
 - a. The referee allows the goal and does not take any disciplinary action.
 - b. The referee disallows the goal, cautions the opponent for preventing the attacker gaining possession of the ball by holding on to his shirt and awards a direct free kick or penalty kick.
 - c. The referee allows the goal and cautions the opponent for unsporting behaviour.
 - d. Answers a. and c. are correct.
- 3. If both teams want half-time to last 20 minutes, does the referee have to agree to the request?
 - a. No, the duration of the half-time interval cannot be changed, as it is established by the member associations.
 - b. Yes, if authorised by the referee.
 - c. No, because the break cannot exceed 15 minutes.
 - d. Yes, if both teams agree.

4. Which of these signals given by the assistant referee is expected if a goal has been scored but the ball remains in play?

- a. He remains motionless, level with the edge of the penalty area.
- b. He quickly runs 25-30 metres along the touch line towards the halfway line.
- c. He does not give a signal.
- d. He first raises his flag to attract the referee's attention and then continues with the normal goal procedure of quickly running 25-30 metres along the touch line towards the halfway line.
- 5. A player takes a throw-in with the toes of his feet inside the field of play and his heels on the touch line. What decision should the referee make?
 - a. The referee awards a throw-in to the opposite team.
 - b. The referee always allows the play to continue.
 - c. The referee orders the throw-in to be retaken by the same team.
 - d. The referee allows the play to continue if the throw-in was taken correctly.

6. Indicate which of the following statements is correct:

- a. The ball must be spherical, have a circumference of 67 centimetres at the beginning of the match, a weight of 445 grams and pressure equivalent to 0.6-1.1 atmospheres.
- b. The ball must be spherical, have a diameter of 69 centimetres, a weight of 450 grams at the beginning of the match and pressure equivalent to 0.7-1.1 atmospheres at sea level.
- c. The ball must be spherical, have a weight of not more than 450 grams at the beginning of the match and pressure equivalent to 0.6-1.1 atmospheres at sea level.
- d. The ball must be spherical, have a circumference of 69 centimetres, a weight of 455 grams and pressure equivalent to 0.6-1.1 atmospheres at sea level.
- 7. During kicks from the penalty mark, players are sent off and a team ends up with fewer than seven players. Does the referee stop the kicks or allow them to continue?
 - a. He allows them to continue because the kicks are part of the match.
 - b. He stops the kicks and writes a report on what has happened.
 - c. He allows them to continue. The kicks are not part of the match.
 - d. None of the answers is correct.

- 8. While the ball is in play, a player leaves the field of play and violently strikes an official of the opposing team. What decision should the referee make?
 - a. The referee sends off the offending player and awards a direct free kick.
 - b. The referee sends off the offending player and awards an indirect free kick.
 - c. The referee cautions the player for unsporting behaviour and awards an indirect free kick.
 - d. The referee cautions the player for unsporting behaviour and awards a direct free kick.
- 9. During the taking of a penalty kick and before the ball is in play, a teammate of the kicker enters the penalty area. When the penalty kick is taken, the ball is saved for a corner by the goalkeeper. The referee...
 - a. Orders the penalty kick to be retaken
 - b. Restarts the play with a corner kick
 - c. Restarts the play with an indirect free kick in favour of the defending team
 - d. None of the previous answers is correct.
- 10. During the game, another ball enters the field of play. Should the referee stop the game?
 - a. No, the referee stops the play only if the second ball interferes with play.
 - b. Yes, the referee stops the play immediately.
 - c. No, the referee stops the play only if one of the match officials sees the second ball.
 - d. Yes, the referee stops the play but not immediately.