

RULE 23: SCORES

S1-LOPSIDED/INTENTIONALLY RUN UP SCORES

Any time a team goes up by 28 points or more, the following will occur:

- A.** The official clock will become a running clock immediately when the 28th point is scored and once started can only be stopped for injury of a player or at the discretion of a referee. It cannot revert to a game clock operation for the remainder of the game.
- B.** Once 28-point difference is obtained between the two opponents, the winning team cannot pass the ball or run sweeps outside the tackle. If the winning team fails to abide by this rule, each violation will be a loss of down and a 5- yard penalty. This is at the discretion of the game referee. If at any point during remainder of the game the point difference drops below 28 the clock will continue running; however regular rules would apply, i.e. teams would not be required to run between the tackles etc.. If a 28 point difference is reached again, PW Rule 22 stipulations i.e. running between the tackles etc.. would take effect.
- C.** There will be no Blitzing by either team once the clock becomes a running clock and the lopsided rule is in effect.
- D.** There will be no onside kicks at kickoff by the winning team.
- E.** The winning defensive team cannot advance a fumble or pass interception. The ball is blown dead immediately. The winning offense may start play from the spot of the turnover.
- F.** The winning team must make every effort to replace starting players with reserves. Failure to do so will call for an immediate investigation and possible one game suspension if found guilty.
- G.** The losing team cannot place more than 7 players in the box on defense.
- H.** Any coach who employs types of plays without the intent to maximize the action of play shall be in violation of this rule.
- I.** The teams are still required to complete the mandatory play rule.
- J.** An investigation will be conducted if a game ends with a score difference of 28 points or more.

S2-FULL INVESTIGATION

When the statements of the coaches are in disagreement, the League shall require the Head Coach and all Assistant Coaches of each team to submit written answers to the following questions:

- A.** What in your opinion caused the lopsided score?
- B.** Is there any ill will or animosity among the coaching staff of Team A toward the coaching staff of Team B?
- C.** To your knowledge, have there been any threats between and among the children prior to the game?
- D.** Has your team ever been involved in a lopsided score before?
- E.** What actions were taken by the coaching staff of Team A to prevent the score difference from reaching 28 points after it reached 18 points?
- F.** In retrospect, is there anything you feel could have been done to prevent the score difference from reaching 28 points? If so, what?

Based upon the answers to the foregoing questions, the League shall determine whether or not to conduct a hearing. The answers to these questions may not be used in any way at the hearing, unless presented at the hearing by one of the witnesses.