



2016 FOOTBALL RULES CHANGES

- 1-5-1d(5)a** Completely clear or completely white tooth and mouth protectors are no longer prohibited. Tooth and mouth protectors shall include an occlusal (protecting and separating the biting surfaces) portion and include a labial (protecting the teeth and supporting structures) portion.
- 1-5-2b** Football gloves are now required to meet either the new SFIA specification or the existing NOCSAE test standard at the time of manufacture.
- 2-17; 9-3-6;
9-3 PENALTY** In a continued effort to minimize risk, the Committee made clipping in the free-blocking zone illegal. Clipping is now illegal anywhere on the field at any time.

2016 MAJOR EDITORIAL CHANGES

1-5-1b(1); 1-5-1b(2)a, (3)a; 5-1-1b.

2016 POINTS OF EMPHASIS

1. Risk Minimization
2. Legal and Illegal Blocks
3. Legal Jerseys, Pants and Pads
4. Unfair Acts

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