

Memorandum

To: Member State Associations' Field Hockey Liaisons

From: B. Elliot Hopkins, CAA, NFHS Field Hockey Rules Editor

Subject: Rulebook Clarification and PowerPoint Presentation

Date: August 13, 2009

Greetings,

After attending the recent NFHS Field Hockey Rules Interpretation meeting in Harrisburg, PA August 6, 2009, we felt that more explanation was needed regarding two particular rule changes, rule 4-2-5 penalty 2 and rule 12-2-2 penalty 3. In addition, the NFHS developed a PowerPoint presentation regarding the new 2009-10 rule changes that we are attaching to this memo. Please forward this memo to your statewide field hockey rules interpreters. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at ehopkins@nfhs.org or 317-822-5757.

Clarification for 2009-10 NFHS Field Hockey Rules book

1. Rule 4-2-5 Penalty 2 (page 31)

Should read: If a team requests a third time-out and the official stops play, the time-out shall not be granted and the coach of the requesting team shall be assessed a yellow card. There shall also be a change of possession if applicable.

2. Rule 12-2-2 Penalty 3 (page 57)

Delete Penalty 3. Subsequent offenses by spectators are covered in the newly revised Penalty 2. The contest will be suspended in Penalty 2 for continued spectator indiscretions therefore; there will be no contest to forfeit in Penalty 3.

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