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5. Referees

- Require a coach or team official to leave the field if their behavior is not proper

Now:

5. Referees

- Require a coach or team official to leave the field if their behavior is not proper
 - A team official guilty of misconduct will be shown a YC (caution) or RC (send-off); if the offender cannot be identified, the senior coach who is in the technical area at the time will receive the YC/RC

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8. The Start and restart of Play

The winner of the referee's coin toss (visitor's call) has the choice of which goal to attack. Loser of the toss shall kick off.

Now:

8. The Start and restart of Play

The winner of the referee's coin toss (visitor's call) has the choice of taking the kick-off or which goal to attack. If the winner's choice is to kick-off, the loser of the toss shall choose which goal to attack.

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Dropped Ball Procedure

- The referee drops the ball at the position where it was when play was stopped, unless play was stopped inside the goal area in which case the ball is dropped on the goal area line which is parallel to the goal line at the point nearest to where the ball was when play was stopped.
- The ball is in play when it touches the ground.
- Any number of players may contest a dropped ball (including the goalkeepers);

Infringements and sanctions

The ball is dropped again if it:

- touches a player before it touches the ground
- leaves the field of play after it touches the ground, without touching a player

If a dropped ball enters the goal without touching at least two players play is restarted

with:

- a goal kick if it enters the opponents' goal
- a corner kick if it enters the team's goal

Now:

Dropped Ball Procedure

- The referee will take the ball in their hands and drop it to one player on the team last in possession when play was stopped.
- The restart will take place where the ball was when play was stopped.
- All other players (both teams) must be 4.5 yards away.
- If play is stopped in the penalty area, the ball will be dropped to the goalkeeper.

Infringements and sanctions

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with:

- a goal kick if it enters the opponents' goal
- a corner kick if it enters the team's goal

Any ball that strikes the referee and falls to the opposing team or goes in the goal will be a dropped ball.

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Distance Variations for Free Kicks – Direct, Indirect & Corner

U-7/8 Opponents must be at least 6 yards away (including goal kicks)

U-9/10 Opponents must be at least 8 yards away.

Now:

Distance Variations for Free Kicks – Direct, Indirect & Corner

U-7/8 Opponents must be at least 6 yards away (including goal kicks)

U-9/10 Opponents must be at least 8 yards away.

If the defending team has three or more players in a wall, the attacking team may not have a player within 1 yard of the defending team's wall.

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14. Penalty Kick

- The defending goalkeeper must remain on the goal line, facing the kicker, between the goalposts until the ball has been kicked.

Now:

14. Penalty Kick

- The defending goalkeeper must have one foot on the goal line, facing the kicker, between the goalposts until the ball has been kicked.

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16. Goal Kick

When the ball crosses the goal line, a goal is not scored and was last touched by the attacking team, play is restarted with a goal kick. The defending team takes the goal kick anywhere from within the goal area. The ball must leave the penalty area before it is in play. Attacking players must remain outside the penalty area until the ball is in play. If the ball does not leave the penalty area, the goal kick is retaken.

Now:

16. Goal Kick

When the ball crosses the goal line, a goal is not scored and was last touched by the attacking team, play is restarted with a goal kick. The defending team takes the goal kick anywhere from within the goal area. The ball is in play when it is kicked and clearly moves. Attacking players must remain outside the penalty area until the ball is in play.

Page 11, Glossary

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Dropped Ball:

A ball dropped by the referee, generally between 2 players, 1 from each team, to restart the game after they have purposely stopped play for a no-penalty situation. The ball is dropped at the spot where the ball was when play was stopped.

Now:

Dropped Ball:

A ball dropped by the referee to restart the game after they have purposely stopped play for a no-penalty situation. The ball is dropped at the spot where the ball was when play was stopped.

Page 19, KMSL Policies

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7. Smoking is not allowed near the playing area.

Now:

7. Smoking or vaping is not allowed near the playing area.