

Batting and Illegal Kicking the Ball

Batting - batting the ball is intentionally striking it or intentionally changing its direction with hands or arms

- Pass in flight can be batted in any direction by eligible players
- Blocking a kick is not considered batting
- Loose Balls may not be batted forward or in any direction in endzone
- Backward pass in flight may not be batted forward by passing team
- Ball in player possession may not be batted forward by player of that team

15 yard penalty and LOSS OF DOWN (see page FR-130 for exceptions). Enforcement is by 3 & 1 principle

Kicking – kicking the ball is intentionally striking the ball with knee, lower leg or foot. A legal kick is a punt, drop kick or place kick made according the rules by a player of Team A before a change of team possession. Kicking ball in any other manner is illegal.

- Kick made when entire body beyond LOS causes play to become dead. Is enforced 5 yards from previous spot & LOSS OF DOWN
- Kicking loose ball is a foul, 15 yards plus LOSS of down and is enforced by 3 & 1 principle

Play 1 - 4th &10@A30, Snap over punters head. At A10, punter A86 bats ball backwards out of the back of endzone..... no foul, safety, 2 points for Team B

Play 2 - 4th &10@A30Snap over punters head. At A10, punter A86 kicks ball backwards out of the back of endzone..... foul illegal kicking, safety, 2 points for

Team B; or penalty enforced from spot of foul A-10 with LOD, half-distance. 1 & 10 for Team B at A5.