

Capital District Football Officials Pregame Review

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Check balls
Identify medical facilities
Instruction of chain crew
Instruction of ball boys
Instructions for commentator/game clock operator
Inspection of field

Coin toss procedure

First half procedure
Second half procedure
Position for Anthem
Post-toss

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Free kicks

Positions
Instructions to teams
Restraining lines
Count players
Starting clock
Momentum into end zone
Touchback
Untouched kick out of bounds
Blocking below waist
Kick catch interference
Fair catch
Forward hand offs
Onside kick - illegal touching
Free kick after safety

Scrimmage plays - general

Positions
Crew communication
Count players
Substitutions
Legality of offensive line - wing officials signals
Eligibility of receivers
Man in motion
Dead-ball fouls
Legality of snap

Scrimmage plays - runs

Coverage of runner - in backfield, between tackles, sweeps, pitchout
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Field goals & try attempts

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