



CANADA

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CLARIFICATION ON RULE 1-10-8 PLAYER OUT OF BOUNDS

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Rule 1 Section 10, Article 8

Article 8 – Player Out of Bounds

It is illegal for a player to go out of bounds and return to the field and participate in the play unless that player went out of bounds as a result of:

- a) a slippery field
- b) contact with an opponent; or
- c) a missed block or tackle.

The player is allowed to return to the field and participate in the play but must re-establish themselves in the field of play with at least one foot in bounds and no contact with out of bounds.

Penalty – L10 applied from the appropriate spot (PBH,PLS,PF,PBD)

It is illegal for an out-of-bounds player to reach back into or re-enter the field of play to touch or recover a loose ball.

Penalty - LB PF

It is illegal for an out-of-bounds player to participate on a Kick-off before possession has been established.

Penalty - L10 from the point of kick-off.

If a player of Team B reaches back into the field of play while still out of bounds and touches a kickoff.

Penalty: Ball is dead at spot of touch with possession awarded along with 10-yard penalty for Illegal participation.

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Interpretation:

If a player leaves the field because of one or more of a, b, or c, they may return to the field as if they had never left, once they have established one foot in bounds and no contact with out of bounds.

If the player participates before re-establishing their position in bounds or as a result of having gone out of bounds for any other reason than a, b, or c above it is illegal



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Penalty - LB PF

Interpretation:

This is on a scrum play

This is for a player who has gone out of bounds on their own and by doing so is not allowed to return to play.

OR

A player who participates before re-establishing their position in bounds, or who has remained out of bounds.



It is illegal for an out-of-bounds player to participate on a Kick-off before possession has been established.

Penalty - L10 from the point of kick-off.

Interpretation: Before Possession

This is for a Team A or Team B player who has gone out of bounds on their own and by doing so is not allowed to return to play.

OR

A Team A player who participates before re-establishing their position in bounds. (If Team B player see next slide)

Interpretation: After Possession

If any player participates illegally because they went out of bounds on their own, or before re-establishing their position after possession has been gained the penalty is applied at PBH.



If a player of Team B reaches back into the field of play while still out of bounds and touches a kickoff.

Penalty: Ball is dead at spot of touch with possession awarded along with 10-yard penalty for Illegal participation.

Interpretation:

This is for a Team B player who is out of bounds when they touch a kickoff.

The ball is dead at the point of touching possession is awarded to Team B 10 yards back from the point of touching



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