

2019 TERMITE DIVISION GAME RULE MODIFICATIONS

FOR THE Ages 6 – 7, Weight Limit – Unlimited.

MANDATORY PLAY RULE: Each player must play a minimum of 3 plays for the game.

1. **THE PROPER SHOE (CLEAT):**
The molded plastic cleat football shoes are for the Termite Division.
2. **(1) COACH FROM EACH TEAM MAY BE ON THE FIELD DURING THE GAME.**
 - A. The coach is permitted to huddle with his players before the play.
 - B. The defensive coach must go back 20 yards from the line of play.
 - No instructions once the offense breaks the huddle.
 - 1st violation (warning), 2nd violation (15 yd. penalty)
 - C. The offensive coach must go back 10 yards from the line of play.
 - D. The defensive coach may not move his players AND give any instructions once the offense breaks the huddle.
 - E. Coaches on the field are not permitted to question the officials.
3. **THE GAME BALL FOR TERMITE GAMES** \implies **K2 WILSON, NIKE PEE WEE**
4. **LENGTH OF TERMITE GAMES** - Four (8) minute quarters of regulation time
5. **THE COACHES ON THE SIDELINE:**
 - A. Coaches must stay in between both 20-yard lines.
 - B. Each team is permitted (6) coaches on the field.
 - C. This does not include the organizational coordinator.
6. **THE PRE-GAME COIN TOSS**
 - a.) The head coach and team captains are to meet with the officials at mid-field.
 - b.) Each team is limited to (4) team captains to go to mid-field prior to the game.
7. **START OF GAME** * **NO KICKOFFS IN TERMITE DIVISION** *
Termite \implies Ball placed at 35-yard line for the offensive team.
8. **TEAM TIME OUTS**
 - A. Each team gets five (5) time outs during the regulation game.
 - B. Each team gets one (1) additional time out in overtime.
 - C. Timeouts can be carried over to the next period excluding the O.T. period.
9. **WHEN A SAFETY OCCURS** **After the safety**
 - A. The game official will place the ball at mid-field for play. (50 Yard Line)
10. **AUTOMATIC PUNT RULE – FOR THE TERMITE DIVISION!**
 - A. The official advances the ball TWENTY YARDS (20) once the team states “We are punting”, **IF THE BALL IS OUTSIDE THEIR OPPONENT’S 35 – YD. LINE.** They may not use the automatic punt rule if inside 35 yard line.
 - B. The game official will place the ball once notified that the team is punting.
10. **THE HEAD COACH IS THE ONLY PERSON TO ADDRESS THE GAME REFEREES**
 - a.) The head coach is the only coach to talk to the referees during the game on rule Interpretations or issues in a **sportsmanlike manner.**

Points of Emphasis

9. **CENTER – KEEP YOUR HEAD UP:**
The center is to keep his head up when snapping the ball to the QB in a shotgun formation.
10. **GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP IS A REQUIREMENT**

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- A. **NO KICKOFF IN THE TERMITE DIVISION.**
- 14. **COACHES AND BENCH AREAS** (Amended to league rules due to OHSAA)
 - a) Coaches must stay in between both 20-yard lines.
 - b) (6) Six coaches on the sidelines. (Does not include Coordinator)
- 15. **THE PROPER EQUIPMENT:**
 - a) A participant **may not play** if they are wearing any protective cast.
 - b) No bandannas or decorative paraphernalia are allowed to be worn.
 - c) Each participant must wear their own mouth piece item.
- 16. **AUTOMATIC PUNT RULE: TERMITE DIVISION**
 - A. When the offensive team declares a punt, the clock will stop running.
 - B. The referee will then mark off 20 yards and the clock will resume with a 15 second run off.
 - C. The 15 seconds will elapse regardless of the time it takes to walk off the 20 yards.
 - D. The clock will not begin again until the offense has snapped the ball.
 - E. Any automatic punt from the opposing team's 35 yard line will be placed on the opponent's 15 yard line.
 - F. No automatic punting inside the opponent's 30 yard line.