

~~g. The game clock should not be stopped if the 25-second clock is started in conflict with Rule 3-2-2-f.~~

### ~~Extension of Periods~~

~~ARTICLE 3. A period shall be extended until a down (other than a try), free from live-ball fouls not penalized as dead-ball fouls, has been played when:~~

- ~~a. A penalty is accepted for a live-ball foul(s) not penalized as a dead-ball foul that occurs during a down in which time expires (*Exception*: Rule 10-2-2-g-1) (A.R. 3-2-3-I-VIII).~~
- ~~b. Offsetting fouls occur during a down in which time expires.~~
- ~~c. An inadvertent whistle is sounded or an official signals the ball dead during a down in which time expires.~~

### Timing Devices

ARTICLE 4. a. Playing time shall be kept with a game clock that may be either a stop watch operated by the line judge, back judge, field judge or side judge, or a game clock operated by an assistant under the direction of the appropriate judge. The type of game clock shall be determined by the game management.

b. The 25 seconds between the ready-for-play signal and the ball being put in play shall be timed with a watch operated by the appropriate official or with 25-second clocks at each end of the playing enclosure operated by an assistant under the direction of the appropriate official. Visual 25-second clocks are mandatory (*Exception*: Visual 25-second clocks are not mandatory for games played on the home field of an NCAA Division III institution).

c. If a visual 25-second timing device becomes inoperative, both coaches shall be notified by the referee immediately and both clocks shall be turned off.

### ~~When Clock Starts~~

~~ARTICLE 5. When the ball is free-kicked, the game clock shall be started when the ball is touched legally in the field of play or crosses the goal line after being touched legally by Team B in its end zone. On a scrimmage down, the game clock shall be started when the ball is snapped legally or on prior signal by the referee. The game clock shall not run during a try, during an extension of a period or during an extra period (A.R. 3-2-5-I-IV).~~

~~a. When the clock has been stopped, the referee shall declare the ball ready for play (Rule 11-2-1-c) and the clock shall start on the snap unless it was~~