Football Ontario

Game Defaults - 60 or 60



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Purpose

Occasionally teams will be unable to field the minimum number of players for a game. Player minimums are established to ensure player safety and are not negotiable. Contravening this regulation is unethical and places decision-makers in a precarious legal position.

Application of Policy

When game forfeitures occur, coaches and game officials should decide upon one of the following options. Under no circumstances should a regular football game be played.

- 1. Cancel the game completely. Everyone goes home.
- 2. Controlled Scrimmage of 60 scrimmage plays or 60 minutes
 - Team A run 10 plays starting at the 25 yard line
 - Team B run 10 plays from their 25 yard line
 - Teams alternate possessions moving up and down the field
 - No kicking or special teams
 - Coaches permitted on the field
 - Officials manage the scrimmage