

Bylaw Committee

Thursday, February 26, 2026 @ Take 5 Restaurant in Feeding Hills

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David DeMatteo, SAFL BOD

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Article 14 – Weight

Section A: Weigh-In Policy

Added:

Game shirts #90-#99 are to be used for hybrid players. These hybrid players must weigh-in as unrestricted players. They will be restricted players on offense (no TE, no backfield, no carrying the ball, just the line) and on defense they can play any position (DE, LB or DB), including the defensive line. This designation would be made on the team's roster and will remain fixed for the entire season. These hybrid players are eligible to play on special teams as they weighed in as unrestricted players.

Article 20 - Officials

Deleted:

- D. If you are a team that is considered a travel team each official gets an additional \$10 (once, not for each game) for travel expenses. Travel teams are: Belchertown/Granby/Amherst, Easthampton, Frontier, Franklin County, ~~Northampton~~, Palmer, Quabbin, Ware and Warren/West Brookfield.

Article 24 - Playing Rules

Deleted and Added:

Section A: ~~Overweight~~ Restricted Players

All Linemen, restricted players (offense & defense) must wear #50-79, and **HYBRID PLAYERS** must wear #90-99

Section D: Game Length

Added:

- 4. At any point in the fourth (4th) quarter if a team is winning by thirty (30) or more points in the Junior or Senior level, the officials shall impose a running clock. The clock will only stop for timeouts. Once running time is imposed it does not revert to stop time, no matter the score.

Article 26 - Score Differential Review

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At any point in the fourth (4th) quarter if a team is winning by thirty (30) or more points in the Junior or Senior level, the officials shall impose a running clock. The clock will only stop for timeouts. Once running time is imposed it does not revert to stop time, no matter the score.

Article 29 – Playoffs & Super Bowls

Added:

NOTE: THE HIGHER SEED'S TEAM WILL OCCUPY THE PRESS BOX SIDE OF THE FIELD

ADDENDUM 1

TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES

Deleted:

~~Northampton—The City of Northampton~~