

TVYFL 2008 RULES / POLICIES REMINDERS

As a coach, it is your responsibility to understand and comply with all of the Bylaws, rules and policies that govern the TVYFL. These guidelines can be found in the following documents. You must know, understand, comply with, and teach from the:

- *NFHS Rule Book 2008*
- *TVYFL Bylaws*

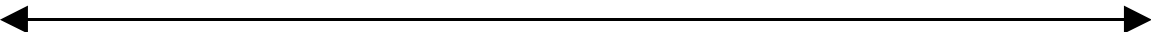
In addition to the above named documents, there are other tools to reference for TVYFL policies and expectations:

- *TVYFL Coaching Contract*
- *TVYFL Weigh Guidelines*
- *TVYFL Differences in Grade Level Rules of Play*



RULES, POLICIES AND BYLAWS FREQUENTLY VISITED

- Player registration for each association will remain open until June 15.
- On any play designated a punt, neither the defense nor the offense can move to a new formation until after the ball is kicked.
- A 15-yard unsportsman-like penalty will be assessed for the disregard of TVYFL Bylaws, policies or sportsmanship rules. First violation in a game will be brought to the attention of the head official, the second violation of the same rule will result in a 15-yard penalty, and the third violation will result in the ejection of the head coach.
- Association that neglects to provide a knowledgeable, responsible field greeter at their home site may be subject to a sanction or fine to be determined by the Division co-Presidents.
- Each team will have two First Aid certified coaches; certification cards will be included in team book. One First Aid certified coach must be present at all practices and games.
- \$100.00 fine may be assessed to associations that neglect to report game scores by midnight of game day to league secretary.



Bylaw-6.18 – Once a player has been removed from the game due to a “serious” injury, that player shall not re-enter the game without approval from the proper specialist or certified first-aid attendant. *Safety First!*

Bylaw-6.30 – Running up the score. Leading by more than 35 points is at minimum an automatic fine & one week suspension without exception. *Be aware that Division Presidents may render stiffer penalties at their discretion.*

Bylaw-6.10 – Minimum Play Rule. Every player must play a minimum of 10 plays. This includes special teams play except for kicking extra points & field goals at the 3/4 level. Any play ending in a penalty does not count towards the MPR. *Be advised to fill out your MPR sheets for every game. They are for your protection as a coach.*

Bylaw-6.3 – All players playing in ball carrier and receiver position must be under the league weight limits for that grade level. On an unbalanced line, the uncovered lineman needs to be underweight regardless if you throw to him. *Tight ends and / or tackles who are eligible receivers must be below the weight limits for that grade level.* As soon as a player over the weight limit touches the ball the play is dead with the exception of the punter, kicker or placeholder for punts, extra points & field goals.

Bylaw 6.12 – No player will be allowed to wear any type of head covering under their helmets including bandanas, scarves, & skull caps.

Bylaw 6.28 – Weigh in – Weigh in takes place 30 minutes prior to the game with the visitors weighing in first. Weigh in remains open for both teams until the home book is signed. A player arriving late after the weigh-in has closed is not eligible to play unless a prior waiver has been approved by the Division President the Thursday before game day. Players can only weigh in ONCE. Players over the weight limit must have their helmet marked with contrasting color tape on both front and back. Following is the minimum equipment that must be worn at weigh-in: girdle with pads (hip and tailbone), pants with pads (thigh and knee), game shoes, game shoulder pads and jersey. None of these items may be changed after weigh in. Any violation will result in a fine, suspension or expulsion. Provided, however, game shoes may be changed if the weather or field conditions reasonably so require. In such instance, the opposing coach shall be informed of such change prior to the opening kick-off. *No Coaches are allowed within 50 yards of the weigh in area during the weigh in process.*

Bylaw 6.11 – Home team is responsible for field set up. Chains & first down markers are positioned on the home field side.

Bylaw 6.12.2 – Players shoes must be the molded cleat or internally threaded shoes where the cleat post screws into the shoe. No metal or metal tipped cleats may be worn. Coaches are responsible for identifying proper shoes for individual field requirements outside of TVYFL bylaw (ie. Hare field etc...) You cannot wear any removeable or detachable cleat at Hare Field. Only turf shoes, fixed molded cleats or tennis shoes can be worn at Hare Field.

Bylaw 6.13 - A player shall not make initial contact with an opponent below the waist except to tackle a runner or player pretending to be a runner.