

Football Rule Changes



College football's Rules Committee put 23 changes in the books this season. Most are so involved even officials are having trouble with them. But the casual spectator should keep these five in mind: **1)** a punt into the end zone, which was a dead ball, can now be run back; **2)** forward passes are legitimate no matter how many eligible receivers touch the ball; **3)** unlimited substitutions are allowed only during time-outs; putting in a sub. while the clock is running costs five yards; **4)** on a pass play, offensive linemen can't pass the scrimmage zone until the pass is touched; **5)** a fumbled or lateraled ball that goes out of bounds belongs to the team last having possession, not the side last to touch it.

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