

# Central Texas Holiday Bowl Rules 2011

## Player Age Eligibility:

Youth ages 7 & 8 will participate in the PeeWee Conference of the Holiday Bowl. If a child turns 9 before 12/31/11 he will not be eligible to play in the PeeWee Conference.

Youth ages 9 & 10 will participate in the Jr. Conference of the Holiday Bowl. If a child turns 11 before 12/31/11 he will not be eligible to play in the Junior Conference.

Youth ages 11 & 12 will participate in the Sr. conference of the Holiday Bowl. If a child turns 13 before 12/31/11 he will not be eligible to play in the Senior Conference.

Youth ages 13 & 14 will participate in the Major Conference of the Holiday Bowl. If a child turns 15 before 12/31/11 he will not be eligible to play in the Holiday Bowl Tournament.

## Coaches Responsibilities:

- Have control of his players, coaches and parents. SMPD will be called if necessary.
- Each team will have a Maximum of Seven (7) coaches on the sideline during the game, one (1) head coach and six (6) assistant coaches.
- Ensure players wear their bracelets confirming that they were age certified to play in the tourny.
- Team rosters will be locked before the first game.
- Rosters will be checked by tournament officials if requested by another coach.
- Penalty for playing with an ineligible player will be forfeiture of the game.
- Each Head Coach is responsible for making a "Tournament Book".
- Tournament books will be due before the team takes the field and all players will have to go through an age certification before they can play in the tournament. Once certified, the coaches and players will be given a bracelet that they will have to wear for the remainder of the tourny.

## Tournament Book:

- 3-Ring Binder (Individual Clear Sleeves)
- Sleeve 1 - Completed Team Application
- Sleeve 2 - Coaches Roster (1 head coach 6 assistants allowed on sideline)
- Sleeve 3 - Team Roster/Verification Form (Roster should be in Alphabetical order)
- Sleeve 4 - 1<sup>st</sup> Player Registration form, with picture attached. Birth Certificate/Report Card must also be in sleeve. \*\*NOTE: Each Player shall have a sleeve (ex. 20 players = 20 Sleeves in book)
- A copy of the 2011 CFPO Tournament Guidelines & Rules in the back of the book.

**Please note: This book is the responsibility of the Head Coach and should be turned in prior to the teams 1<sup>st</sup> game. Every player on the roster needs to be verified before they will be allowed to step on the field. Plan on being at the fields a minimum of 2 hours before your first game.**

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## Birth Certificates:

- Birth Certificate must have a Governmental Stamp from one of the following, City, County, State or Country of Origin, **NO EXCEPTIONS**.
- Hospital issued Birth Certificates are not acceptable.
- No computer generated birth certificates will be accepted.
- Players without the proper stamped birth certificate are not eligible to play.

\*\* In the event that a child that registers on your team and is in the process of being adopted or filing for a name change. The name on the official birth certificate must be used. Once the child is adopted then a new birth certificate could be issued or a document from a legal Court is issued stating the name change and date, must be attached with the original birth certificate.

## NCAA Rules

The CFPO will abide by the rules set forth by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). Below and on the next pages are specific exceptions and additions to rules that are designed to assist our youth in mastering the skills needed to learn the game while making it as fun as possible.

## Blocking Rules

Crab block - A player may not continue a block while his hands are on the ground.

## Blitz Rules

Blitzing is allowed in all conferences.

## Time Rules

Each period (quarter) will consist of 10 minutes. The clock only stops in the last two minutes of the fourth quarter as well as for penalties and injuries. Time is kept on the field by the officials. Half Time periods are to be no longer than 10 minutes. The referee is in charge of the game, the game is ended and the score final when the referee so declares. If a game is suspended or terminated, the score as it stands at that time becomes the final score. The clock will stop at the 2 minute warning in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

## Facility and field Rules

The field is broken up into zones for spectators and for players / coaches. All Spectators will sit on the home side of the field on fields 2 and 3. Spectators are allowed to bring chairs and sit as long as they are behind the fence line. Spectators are never allowed beyond the fence line and on the visitor side of the field or in the end zones. Players and coaches are allowed in the sideline box (between the 30 yard lines) on the home and visitor sidelines respectively. Chain Gangs will generally be provided by the CFPO, however if a breakdown occurs the home team will provide the needed volunteers. The use of tobacco is not allowed in the field complex. Tobacco use is only allowed in the parking area. Alcohol and firearms are prohibited in the entire facility.

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## Overtime

If at the end of regulation play the score is tied, overtime will be played. Each team will receive one time out for the overtime period. A coin will be flipped by a referee. The home team will call the flip. The winner of the flip will have the choice of having possession first or second. The other team will chose which end of the field will be used. The first team will start on the 20 yard line heading into the end zone. They will have 4 plays to ether score or make a first down. At the end of their series of plays the spot of their final penetration will be marked. The next team will then get the ball on the same 20 yard line and they will have 4 plays to score or get a first down. The team that has the farthest penatration at the end of the series will win the Game. If the ball is fumbled or intercepted past the line of scrimmage, the ball goes back to the line of scrimmage and the drive is over. If the ball is fumbled or intercepted behind the line of scrimmage the drive is over and the point of the recovery or interception is the point of penetration.

## Free Punt (Pee Wee & Jr. Conferences Only)

Upon announcing that they are going to punt the punter will line up in the punt position, 8 to 10 yards back and will be given the football. The rest of the players will line up at the line of scrimmage. The kicker will look at the referee and acknowledge that he is ready to kick. The referee will **yell out "READY PUNT"**. At that point the kicker will attempt to punt the ball. The defense will rush in and attempt to block the punt; they may also attempt to return the ball. The offense blocks and goes down field to defend against a return. **There will be no fake punt.** The kicker can move around in the backfield but once the ball crosses the line of scrimmage the ball will be whistled dead. The ball will be placed at the line of scrimmage and turned over to the Receiving Team.

## Free Field Goal (All Conferences)

Upon announcing that they are going to try a Field Goal, the kicker will line up in the kick position with his holder, 3 to 5 yards back and the holder will be given the football. The rest of the players will line up at the line of scrimmage. The kicker will look at the referee and acknowledge that he is ready to kick. The referee will **yell out "READY KICK"**. At that point the kicker will attempt to kick the field goal. The defense will rush in and attempt to block the kick. **There will be no fake field goals or extra point attempts.** The scoring will be the same as NCAA rules.

## Nose Guard

The defensive Nose Guard is **allowed** to line up head to head on the center in all age groups.

## PeeWee Games

A maximum of 2 coaches are allowed on the playing field during the game but must be behind the furthest kid on the offense or defense before the play starts. A maximum of 5 coaches are allowed on the sidelines.

## Tournament Fees:

All Divisions- PeeWees 7-8, Juniors 9-10, Seniors 11-12, Majors 13-14 entry fee is \$200.00 per team participating. CFPO only accepts Money Orders or Cash, NO checks allowed.

**\*\*\*\$100 deposit is required to secure a spot in the tournament\*\*\***

**Money orders need to be made payable to CFPO-PAL. ALL FEES DUE BY DECEMBER 10, 2011**