

EFL COACHES & OFFICIALS MEETING May 15th, 2016

Town of Mohawk Fire Department,
2553 State Highway 30A
Fonda NY 12068

*Start Officials Meeting at 9:00 AM, followed by league meeting ending approximately 12:30 PM.
Lunch is on your own.....*

Coaches/Officials Meeting

May 15, 2016

Attendees

Pat McClinton	Official
Jay Moore	Official
Mike Caldarella	Official
Brian Gessner	Watertown
George Ashcraft	Watertown
John Ramus	Watertown
Bryan Belisle	Plattsburgh
Russell Humphrey	Plattsburgh
Duane Sees	Official
Steve Riedl	Official
Dan Salmon	Official
Brian Finn	Official
Gary Haase	Sussex
Jeff Hodges	Glens Falls
Hank Pelton	Glens Falls
Chris Gorman	Syracuse
Leroy Collins	Syracuse
Mike Aquino	Official
Fritz Brownell	Official
Joe Fryers	Official
Dale Wotherspoon	Official
Gary Harper	Official
Matt Durkee	Official
Mike Cronin	Official
Leo Flynn	Official
Jeff Breyman	Official

Scott Stark	Official
Steve Ludwin	Official
Elijah Winfrey	Seaway Valley
Casandra Arquite	Seaway Valley
Danielle Patnode	Seaway Valley
Joe McDonald	Seaway Valley
Bill Higgins	Commissioner of Officials
Dave Burch	Commissioner
Rick Sager	Deputy Commissioner
Concetta Sager	Treasure/Secretary

Coaches & Officials Meeting

Rule changes from NFL for 2016

1. Permanently move the line of scrimmage for try kicks to the defensive team's 15 yard line and allows the defense to return any missed try. Not accepted.
2. Permits coach to player communication system use both from the sidelines and in coaches booth-not applicable to the EFL
3. All chop blocks illegal-accepted
4. A player who is penalized twice in one game for unsportsman like conduct results in an ejection-accepted. Ruling by league judiciary committee as to status of player for future games.
5. Changes spot of next snap after a touchback resulting from free kick to the 25 yd. line. Not accepted
6. Expands the horse collar rule to include grabbing jersey above the number/across the shoulder and pull player down to the ground backwards-accepted
7. Foul for delay of game when a team attempts to call a timeout when not permitted to do so-not accepted
8. Eliminated 5 year penalty for an eligible receiver illegally touching a forward pass after being out of bounds. Now is just a loss of down.-accepted
9. Eliminates multiple spots of enforcement for a double foul after a change of possession. Accepted

Taunting and trash talk - Dave reviewed the policy and expecting owners to enforce. Player is ejected

Reviewed previously adopted rules from 2010.

Reviewed minutes from last year regarding hitting the center-no change from current verbiage.

Officials will raise arm at 10 seconds.

Requesting a head coach conference cannot be denied by the officials.

Helmets and shoulder pads are required equipment to be able to play in the game. It is up to the teams regarding knee and thigh pads, mouth piece and chin straps. .

Must be able to see the numbers on the jerseys.

Must be an EMT or trained medical personnel present before the game can begin.

Clock stops on incomplete pass and penalty. Starts on the snap

Level 1 throwing punches or striking official-ejected and suspended from next game

Level 2-pushing and shoving-ejected but not suspended

Non-League and league games have all been assigned. Must use our officials.

Fees-stay the same. \$110 per man. Can supply your own timer. If need timer, let Bill know

Need dressing rooms for officials

Each crew gets \$25 travel.

If teams want a seven man crew, please request from Bill.

Officials said it is difficult to get 7 men for each game. Stay at 6 for this year.

Officials to be paid at half time in cash.

Concussion-if officials see it, will send player off the field and team has medical staff examine player. Will have to tell the official when the player is cleared to go back in.

Games start at 7PM

[NFL Video Rulebook Resource](#)

Empire Football League Meeting

Minutes of annual meeting-Watertown/Sussex-approved

Treasures Report-Watertown/Plattsburgh approved

Team status-all teams good to go

Liability insurance-if field changes, let Dave know

Schedule-no changes as published

All contracts received-if signed up with a team, they cannot be recruited by another team

Equipment owed list-Syracuse & Mohawk Valley. Dave will share with the teams

Contact list

Stats-should be up by the end of the month. Rick will send out e-mail with your user and password.

Rick will include game stats work sheet

League passes-will be mailed out

By laws sent out to all the teams

Donation of \$100 to the fire department for use of meeting room. Approved

Motion to adjourned-Seeway Valley/Plattsburgh