Publication Corrections

- Rules Book, Page 16, Rule 4-2-7: PENALTIES #4. For subsequent violations by the same team during the set match, a loss ...

- Rules Book, Page 64, #6, Net Fault or Net Serve:
  NOTE: The second referee is are not ...

- Case Book, Page 28, 7.1.2 SITUATION B, RULING: (a) and (c) legal, (b) illegal
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- Officials Manual, Page 66, Introductions and National Anthem Protocol
  (Unless determined otherwise . . .)
- Preseason Guide, Page 10, Column 1, paragraph 2, line 5, delete “ball rolling up a player’s arm – as long as the ball does not come to rest ___ is considered multiple contacts in one act of playing the ball.”

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Unnecessary Delay
Rule 9-9-1

- The penalty of a loss of time-out or loss of rally point for the first unnecessary delay is significantly more severe than the violation.
- Issuing a single team warning (administrative yellow card) during a set before issuing a penalty of loss of rally/point for a subsequent delay is more appropriate.
- All previous penalties of unnecessary delay will follow this penalty system.

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Unnecessary Delay
Rule 9-9-1

- It is important to note that should a team abuse the unnecessary delay warning by incurring repeated delays in multiple sets, the first referee may consider as unsporting conduct and penalize accordingly.
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Head Coach
Rule 12-2-6, New Note 2

- A yellow or red card for unnecessary delay is not considered as warning/penalty under unsporting conduct.
- UD cards, yellow or red, are considered administrative.
- As such, the head coach is not required to sit during play for the remainder of the match as would be required when a card for unsporting conduct is issued.

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First Referee Responsibilities
Rule 5-4-3c, New 20

- The R1 has the responsibility to administer cards for an unnecessary delay for violations by coaches, players, substitutes, replacements and the team.
- This has been added to the rule regarding first referee responsibilities.

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Unnecessary Delay
Officials Signal #22

- The old unnecessary delay signal has been replaced with a new signal and mechanics.
- With arm on side of the offending team bent across the chest, hand just below chin, place palm of opposite hand, while holding card, against the wrist. Then extend the bent arm toward the floor on the offending team’s side and drop the other arm, with card, to the side of the official’s body.
Administrative yellow and red cards are the penalty for unnecessary delay. Mechanics of administering the cards are as follows:

- The signal for administrative unnecessary delay is signal #22.
- First administrative unnecessary delay results in the issuance of a yellow card. The issuance of the first administrative unnecessary delay in a set shall not require the head coach to remain seated for the remainder of the match.

All subsequent administrative unnecessary delay violations in that set shall result in an administrative unnecessary delay (red card) and a loss of rally/point shall be awarded to the non-offending team. Administrative unnecessary delay cards do not carry over from set to set throughout the match. For repeated delay(s) in any situation, in subsequent sets after the first administrative unnecessary delay has been administered, unsporting conduct may be assessed consistent with the procedures as set forth on page 80 of the Case Book and Officials Manual.

When the R2 initiates the call for unnecessary delay, he/she moves to the side of the net for the offending team. The penalty card is held in the hand closest to the non-offending team against the back of the wrist of the other hand, palm (open and facing the R2) and chest high on the side of the offending team. The penalty card is lowered to the referee's side and the arm on the offending side is dropped toward the court of the offending team.

The R1 administers the card in the same manner but the hand is held with fingers at sides of the chin. When the R1 initiates an administrative unnecessary delay, the R2 does not repeat the procedure.

The R2 confirms with the scorer that the unnecessary delay administrative card is recorded in the comment section of the scoresheet.
Second Referee
Rule 5-5-3b, New 21

The second referee shall confirm the recording of unnecessary delay violation with the scorer, yellow for administrative warning and red for administrative penalty loss of rally/point.

- The R2 has the responsibility to communicate with the scorer to be certain the administrative card for the delay is recorded in the Comment section of the scoresheet.
- The R2 and scorer also confirm, if necessary, the penalty of a loss of rally and point to opponent.

Unnecessary Delay-2nd Referee
Rule 5-5-3b NEW (21)

- Confirm with scorer of the initial unnecessary delay warning
- Confirm subsequent unnecessary delay penalty(ies) during the set by
  - Coach
  - Players
  - Substitute
  - Replacement
  - Team
- Confirm with first referee

- The R2 must communicate with the R1 that all appropriate recording has occurred before turning the set back to the R1.

Scorer’s Responsibilities
Rule 5-6-3, New h

Record in the Comment section of the scoresheet the unnecessary delay and penalty, yellow card warning for first offense in set and red card loss of rally/point for subsequent delay in the same set. Penalty point recorded if necessary.

- Unnecessary delay should be recorded in the Comment section of the scoresheet with YUD for yellow and RUD for red cards.
Let’s review the application of the new penalty system for an unnecessary delay.

Attempting to enter the set in an illegal uniform results in unnecessary delay and the player shall not enter until in a legal uniform.

Yellow for the first offense and red card for the subsequent offense in the same set.

When a player already in the set is observed in an illegal uniform, unnecessary delay is assessed.

The player must be removed from the set until in legal uniform.

Play must not be delayed to correct the uniform.

If the team has a time-out it may be requested and granted for the uniform to be made legal. However, the unnecessary delay penalty is still assessed.

An illegal substitute attempting to enter the set results in an unnecessary delay.
Illegal Substitutes in the Set
Rule 10-3 PENALTIES

- Illegal substitute identified in the set after whistle signal for serve results in loss of rally/point, illegal alignment

Unnecessary Delay- Libero Replacement
Rule 10-4 PENALTIES

- Illegal libero replacement takes place prior to the whistle/signal for serve
- Unnecessary delay (administrative yellow card for first offense or red card for subsequent offense in same set) is charged to the offending team

Time-Outs and Intermission
Rule 11-2 PENALTIES

- For a team not conferring in the specified area or delaying its return to the court after a time-out, unnecessary delay shall be charged (administrative yellow card for the first offense or red card for subsequent offense in that set)

- Penalty for an illegal replacement is updated to reflect new penalty structure for an unnecessary delay.

- Teams not returning to the court to resume play after a time-out or following the interval between sets or intermission shall be charged with unnecessary delay.
Lineup
Rule 7-1-5

- If a coach submits his/her lineup listing a starting player number that no team member is wearing:
  - The coach shall substitute a player with a legal number into that position in the lineup
  - This counts as one of the team’s allowable 18 substitutions

- Maintains consistency within the rules by allowing a substitution to correct a lineup issue that otherwise does not affect the match.
- The substitute is to be listed on the roster.

Lineup
Rule 7-1, New 6

- The rules now clearly address how a lineup shall be corrected if the coach errs and lists the same player number twice.
- There is to be a legal substitution and the substitute must be listed on the roster.

Substitution Procedure
Rule 10-2-5

- The revised procedure improves the communication between the second and first referees, coaches and fans when a substitution occurs at a time-out.
- Substitutes report at the end of a time-out and follow the normal exchange procedure.
Intermission
Rule 11-5-1, 2

An intermission may be used between set Nos. 2 and 3, (Nos. 1 and 2 in 2-of-3 match), the interval and intermission shall be no longer than a total of five minutes.

OSAA ADOPTION:
• The establishment of the length and location for an intermission provides consistency and guidelines for schools conducting promotional or special recognition activities between sets.

Intermission
Rule 11-5- NEW 2

• Intermission occurs between sets two and three and shall be no longer than five minutes in duration
  • Three minutes for regular interval plus two minute intermission
  • Host school determines if intermission shall be used
  • Promotional or special recognition activities completed in time for both teams to return to the court no later than expiration of five minutes

• The host school management must let the officials and visiting team know prior to the prematch conference if an intermission is to occur for proper timing between sets and team preparations.
• Each team is responsible to return to the playing court at the proper time without delay.

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*This deletion removes unnecessary language as the loser of the toss for the first set has no choice regarding serve/receive.*

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*Clarifies that an American flag, with a size restriction, may be placed on the uniform and a commemorative or memorial patch requires state association approval before being placed on the uniform.*

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*Clarifies the second referee assists the first referee, but is not responsible for whistling the violation.*

*Codifies what has been listed as a procedure that cards issued for conduct carry over from set to set throughout the match.*
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**Head Coach Standing – Administrative Yellow Card, Unnecessary Delay**

- Cards (yellow or red) issued for unnecessary delay shall not require the head coach to remain seated for remainder of the match.
- The administrative cards for unnecessary delay are not considered as a penalty for unsporting conduct.
- Exception is first referee determining the actions of the team for multiple unnecessary delay violations in multiple sets is unsporting conduct.

- With the new penalty system for unnecessary delay, it is important to remember administrative cards are only for the set in which issued and do not require the head coach to be seated during play.

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**Yellow Card is a Valuable Tool**

- Officials are encouraged to use a yellow card rather than a string of verbal warnings.
- Making the coach or player understand that the yellow card is a warning.
- When necessary, the referees should not hesitate to issue a yellow card for conduct.
- This warning in many cases will prevent the unacceptable conduct from escalating to a red card resulting in a loss of rally/point.

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**Solid-colored Uniform Top Review**

In 2016, either the libero or teammates or both will be required to wear a solid-colored uniform top. The libero’s top must clearly contrast from the predominant color(s) of teammates’ uniform top.

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Solid-colored Uniform Top Review

A. The libero may wear the solid-colored jersey and the color must be in contrast to the predominant color(s) of the team uniforms.

B. The team may be in solid-colored jerseys that are in contrast to the predominant color(s) to the libero’s uniform top.

C. Both team and libero may be in solid-colored jerseys but the libero’s jersey must be in contrasting color to the teammate’s jersey.
Solid-colored Uniform Top Review

The solid-colored uniform top may have a single mascot reference on the sleeve or body of the uniform not to exceed space of 4x4 or 3x5 inches.

In PlayPic No. 3, the mascot name/reference on the sleeve of the solid-colored jersey exceeds the permitted 4x4 or 3x5 inches size.

Resuming Play After Intermission

It is important for each team coach & his/her respective courts by the end of the 5-minute intermission.

Preventive Officiating

According to all prematch responsibilities, confirming your method of communication with your partner, line judges and table officials will head off problems. Conduct a proper check of the lineup to be sure it is properly recorded on the scoresheet as the teams take the court. This will prevent unnecessary problems.
Review of Equipment and Facilities

Coaches have the responsibility to check the condition of all equipment and the playing area facility to be certain it is compliant with game rules and in good condition to avoid injuries. This review should occur prior to the beginning of the season and at the end.

- It is equally important to maintain equipment and facility during the season and secure repairs when necessary.
- The condition of the referee’s platform should not be overlooked.

Yellow/Red Cards for Unsporting Conduct

Cards issued for unsporting conduct carry over from set to set in A and C. Administrative cards issued for unnecessary delay apply only to that set in which the unnecessary penalty issued as in B.

Net Fault Signal #6

Language has been updated, removing the unnecessary technique of touching the net as a part of the mechanics of the signal.

- Removes the unnecessary mechanic of touching the net by the referees and now included with the current NFHS Officials Manual mechanic.
Lineup
Rules 7-1-5, 6

- Coaches have the responsibility to submit accurate lineups.
- Accountability to your team to avoid unnecessary substitutions and penalties.
- Second referee should not take lightly the responsibility to work with scorer to confirm accuracy of lineup submitted.
- Avoid unnecessary interruption of play and avoidable penalties by verifying lineups and rotation of players.

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