OFFICIAL FOOTBALL SIGNALS
HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS
1. Ball ready for play
   * Untimed down

2. Start clock

3. Time-out
   Discretionary or injury time-out (follow by tapping hands on chest)

4. TV/Radio time-out

5. Touchdown
   Field goal
   Point(s) after touchdown

6. Safety

7. Ball dead
   Touchback (move side to side)

8. First down

9. Loss of down

10. Incomplete forward pass
    Penalty declined,
    No play, No score,
    Toss option delayed

11. Legal touching of forward pass or scrimmage kick

12. Inadvertent whistle
    (Face Press Box)

13. Disregard flag

14. End of period

15. Sideline warning

16. First touching (NFHS)
    Illegal touching

17. Uncatchable forward pass
    (NCAA)

18. Encroachment (NFHS)
    Offside defense (NCAA)

19. Illegal procedure
    (NFHS)
    False start
    Illegal formation
    Encroachment
    Offense (NCAA)

20. Illegal shift - 2 hands
    Illegal motion - 1 hand

21. Delay of game

22. Substitution infraction
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23 Failure to wear required equipment
24 Illegal helmet contact
27 Unsportsmanlike conduct Noncontact foul
28 Illegal participation

29 Sideline interference
30 Running into (NCAA) or Roughing kicker or holder
31 Illegal batting/kicking (Followed by pointing toward toe for kicking)
32 Invalid fair catch signal (NFHS)
33 Forward pass interference Kick catching interference

34 Roughing passer
35 Illegal pass/forward handing
36 Intentional grounding
37 Ineligible downfield on pass
38 Personal foul

39 Blocking below waist Illegal block
40 Help for Ward (NCAA)
41 Chop block
42 Holding/obstructing Illegal use of hands/arms (NCAA)
43 Interlocked blocking Illegal use of hands or arms (NFHS)

44 Tripping
45 Player disqualification

NOTE: Signals number 25 and 26 are for future expansion.
NOTE: Game administration may place on the field, four inches from each sideline, yard-line extensions that should be 24 inches in length and four inches in width; and/or, at each yard line, numbers that should be six feet in height and four feet in width. The tops of the numbers should be nine yards from the sideline and may include directional arrows next to the yard-line numbers indicating the direction toward the nearest goal line.

NOTE: Game administration may place on the field, at the inbounds lines, yard-line extensions that should be 24 inches in length and four inches in width.