

# Montgomery County Girls Flag Football Playoffs



# Pregame Part 1

- At least 24 hours prior to game, communicate with each other via text where to meet, what to wear (short or long sleeves), and what position you want to work. Confirm what time you can get there.
- Meet in parking lot and enter the field together
- Walk the field and make sure cones are properly aligned (should be cones at each first down (20, 40, 20) and pylons at the goal line (10-yard line) and end line (goal line). Sideline cones generally at bottom of the numbers put this will vary at each school. Make sure team and coaches are 5 yards behind you during the game.

# Pregame Part- 2

- Make sure you have a box operator.
- Make sure the orange square yard indicators are back 3-5 yards off the sideline, and you have room to work.
- Meet the coaches (home team first). Review points of emphasis. Ask if they will have sportsmanship announcement and national anthem. Get the down pucks. Ask about trick plays. Remember their names (Coach Landy, Coach Butch, etc.).

# Game Part- 1

- Treat all coaches with respect and dignity
  - If they have a question, answer it. Do not be dismissive or ignore them.
- Make sure you run a consistent clock and give time checks if asked.
- Referee should give a warning (15 or 10 seconds) and chop at 5.

# Game Part - 2

- Review what plays stop a clock within the final two minutes:
  - incomplete pass
  - out of bounds
  - score with PAT being an untimed down
  - time out (team or official)
  - penalty
  - change of possession
  - **A first down does not stop the clock in flag**

# Game Part – 3

- Down box should always be at the line to gain
- All fouls will either be loss of down (offense) or first down (defense)
- Make sure you know your enforcements
  - Generally, all personal fouls are 10 yards (DPI is spot foul, just like the NFL)
  - All other fouls are 5 (including UNS).
  - Make sure you know what the spot fouls are which are not the spot fouls (review the Flag handout prior to the game, its online as well).

# Game- Part 4

- Reminder that this is **non-contact sport**.
  - If there are players on the ground, there should be a flag.
- Coaches, players, parents are new to this sport. Over communicate as needed.
- Post game - Report score to Deron with team name via text 703-869-2283