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Box Holder Instructions

- Hold box at forward point of ball as indicated by the Head Linesman.
- **DON'T MOVE BOX** or change down number unless Head Linesman motions with **one** hand.
- Operate box 6 feet off the sideline.
- After a touchdown, you will set up at the spot for the PAT
- On a kickoff, wait at the receiving team's 25-yard line.
- At the end of the 1st and 3rd quarters, on the direction of the Head Linesman, you will take the box to the same yardline on the other side of the 50. (For example, if you were at the 33-yard line on the south side of the 50, go to the 33-yard line on the north side.)
- If there is a measurement, at the direction of the Head Linesman, leave the current down showing and move the box to the front stake.

Head Linesman

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Chain Stake Holder Instructions

- DON'T MOVE CHAINS unless Head Linesman motions with **both** hands.
- Operate chains 6 feet off the sideline.
- On 1st and Goal, lay the chains on the ground off the sideline and out of the way.
- On a kickoff, wait at the receiving team's 25-yard line.
- At the end of the 1st and 3rd quarters, on the direction of the Head Linesman, you will take your stake to the same yard lines on the other side of the 50. (For example, if your stake was at the 37-yard line on the south side of the 50, go to the 37-yard line on the north side.)
- If there is a measurement, at the direction of the Head Linesman, walk the stake onto the field. If you have the lead stake, hand it to the covering official. If you have the trailing stake, continue to hold it, but do not pull it tight.

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Instructions for Using the Clips

DO IN THIS ORDER ON EVERY FIRST DOWN

- 1. Place new clip at yard stripe nearest back stake.
- 2. Move Chain Holders 6 feet off the sideline.
- 3. Change the dial or slider on the clip indicating yard stripe.
- 4. Remove the old clip.
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- On a kickoff, wait at the receiving team's 25-yard line.
- At the end of the 1st and 3rd quarters, on the direction of the Head Linesman, you will hold the clip on the chains while the chain holders take their stakes to the same yard lines on the other side of the 50. (For example, if the clip was at the 35yard line on the south side of the 50, go to the 35-yard line on the north side.)
- If there is a measurement, at the direction of the Head Linesman, hold the clip on the chains and walk with the stake holders onto the field. Hand the clip and chain to the line judge.

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Safety, Safety, Safety!!!

Pay attention to the action on the field. When action comes into chain crew area, move stakes backwards and out of bounds. Drop the stakes if necessary.

- Operate chains 6 feet off the sideline.
- Keep chain taut at all times.
- Move quickly and sharply when so directed.
- Be alert for penalties. If you are told to move, but you see a flag, inform the Head Linesman.
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