

2023 Points of Emphasis for Referees



ONE NATION. ONE TEAM.



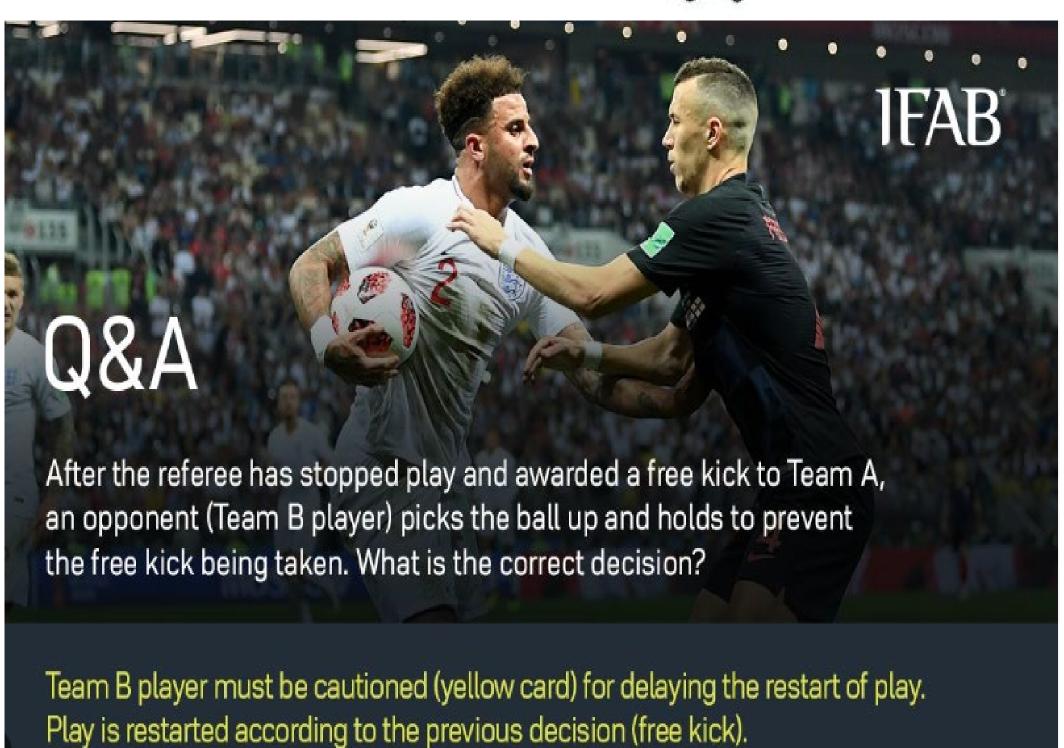
Delaying the Restart

Is the opponent:

- 1- Trying to retrieve the ball
- 2- Looking to put the ball into play
- 3- Is the defending team in a position to defend?
- 4- Did the action create an advantage for the offending team and/or a disadvantage for the opposing team?

What is the impact?
Timing: when the whistle blows
Distance to defend







Stopping a Promising Attack

Speed / Space / Location

- 1- Direction to goal
- 2- Control of the ball or the likelihood to control the ball
- 3- Position of the attackers / defenders
- 4- Likelihood of creating a goal scoring opportunity

A handball stopping a shot on goal

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Blatant / Cynical Holding is
UB for Deliberate Holding





Dissent / Mobbing

Dissent by word

- Personal
- Provocative

Dissent by action

- Public
- Aggressive
- Slamming the ball down
- Challenging the
 authority of the match
 official



Dissent / Mobbing

- Mobbing (Surround the official)
- Coordinated effort
- Aggressive
- Pressure the referee to change their decision



Persistent Offenses

A player repeatedly commits fouls or other infractions throughout a game

A player who participates in a pattern of fouls directed at an opponent

No specific number or pattern of offenses constitutes persistent.

Key word



"pattern"





Stoppage / Additional Time

- Allowance is made by the referee in each half for all playing time lost in that half through:
- Substitution
- Assessment / Removal of injured players
- Wasted Time
- Disciplinary Sanctions

- Medical stoppages permitted by the competition rules
- Delay relating to VAR 'checks' and 'reviews
- Any other cause, including any significant delay to a celebration



THANK YOU