

# SUMMARY OF CHANGES TO THE LOTG FOR 2021



## **Law 10: Determining the outcome of a match**

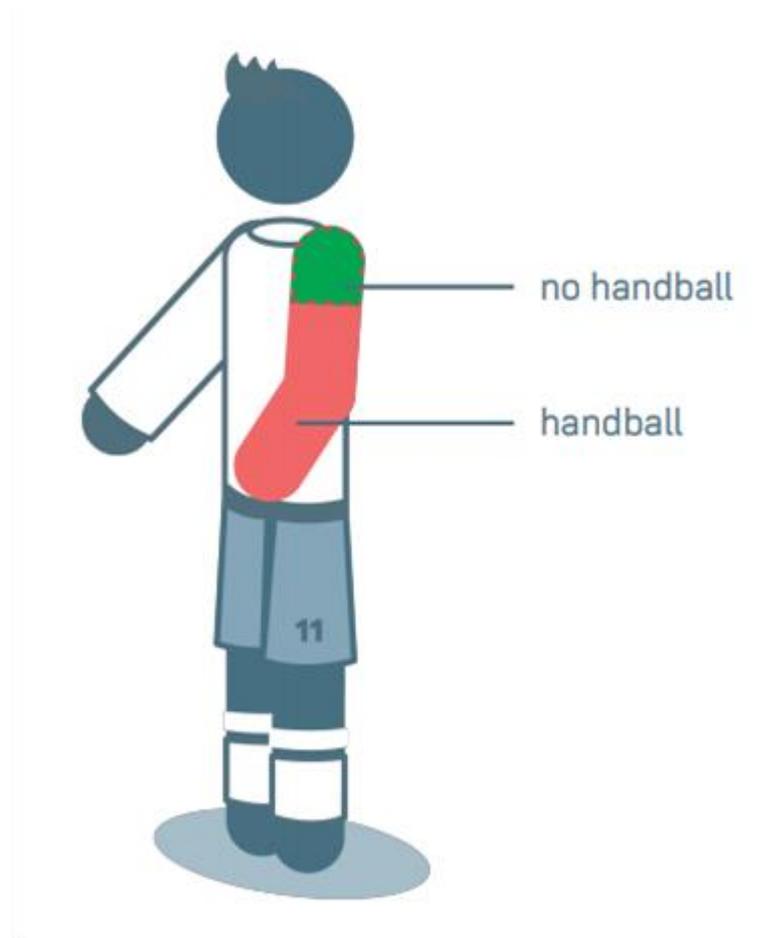
- Warnings and cautions (YC) are not carried forward into kicks from the penalty mark for **players only**.
  - So, a player already on a YC who receives another YC in KFTPM will not be sent off.
  - Warnings and YCs issued during the match to coaches and team officials will remain. Players sent-off during a match cannot take part in kicks from the penalty mark.

## **Law 11: Offside**

- Deliberate handball by a defending player is considered 'deliberate play'

## **Law 12: Fouls and Misconduct**

- The bottom of the armpit is considered the boundary between the arm and shoulder.
  - Below the armpit is considered handball (See image below).
- Accidental handball by an attacking player/team-mate is only penalised if it occurs immediately before a goal/clear goal-scoring opportunity.
- A goalkeeper can receive a YC or RC for illegally touching the ball a second time after a restart even if the touch is with the hand/arm.
  - i.e Stopping/interfering with a promising attack or denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity after a throw-in/goal kick etc before it has touched another player.
- Any offence (not only a foul) which 'interferes with or stops a promising attack' should result in a YC.
  - i.e illegally playing the ball a second time after a restart.
- A player who fails to respect the required 4m distance at a dropped ball should receive a YC.
- If advantage/quick free kick is played for a DOGSO offence, the offender is cautioned for unsporting behaviour. If advantage/quick free kick is played for a SPA offence, the player is not cautioned.



### **Law 14: The penalty kick**

- An offence by the goalkeeper (GK) is not penalised if a penalty kick taker misses the goal/rebounds from the goal (without touching the GK), unless the offence clearly affected the kicker.
  - Therefore, the penalty kick is only retaken for offences by the GK if the GK saves the penalty or clearly impacts the kicker.
- The GK is warned for their 1st offence at a penalty kick or kicks from the penalty mark. Any subsequent offences incur a YC.
- The kicker is penalised if the GK and kicker offend at exactly the same time. The kick is recorded as missed and play is restarted with an indirect free kick to the defending team.

### **FFA Directive - Arm/Hand contact with Head/Face**

- Any contact between the hand/arm and an opponent's head/face must be punished by a direct free kick and a yellow card, with the exception of the goalkeeper making a reasonable attempt to play the ball with their hand.