

QUESTIONS ON LAW 13 – FREE KICK

1. Provided the ball is stationary and in the correct place, can the referee allow a free kick to be taken even though the opponents are less than ten yards from the ball? **Yes** **No**

If your answer is “yes”, under what circumstances is it allowed? _____

2. To indicate that a free kick is INDIRECT, the referee is required to raise one arm above his head. When should it be lowered? _____

3. A defender, taking a DIRECT free kick just outside his own penalty area, passes the ball back to his goalkeeper who misses it and the ball enters the goal, no other player having touched it. How should the game be restarted? _____
4. How should the game be restarted if, in similar circumstances to question 3, the kick was being taken from within the defender’s own penalty area? _____

5. When is the ball in play in the following circumstances?
(a) A free kick taken from within the centre circle. _____
(b) A free kick taken by a player from within his own penalty area. _____

6. An opponent stands five yards from the ball at the taking of a free kick and refuses to move when requested to do so by the referee.
(a) What action should the referee take? _____
(b) How should the game be restarted? _____
7. If the attacking side is awarded an indirect free kick six yards from the centre of their opponents’ goal, may the defenders stand within ten yards of the ball? **Yes** **No**

If your answer is “yes”, what restriction, if any, is there on where they may stand? _____

8. A player, taking a free kick from a mid-field position, miskicks and the ball travels towards an opponent. He runs to it and manages to kick it before his opponent. Has an offence taken place? **Yes** **No**

(a) If you consider that an offence has taken place, what is it? _____

- (b) How will the game be restarted? _____
9. When a player is taking a free kick from within his own penalty area, where must the opponents be? (There are two requirements) _____

10. From an INDIRECT free kick, the ball goes directly into the opponents’ goal, no other player having touched it. How should the game be restarted? _____
