

his whistle and order the player to take a new kick, which must be a drop within the 25 yards limit.

Referees should not allow players to approach within 10 yards of the half-way line at a kick-off.

Touch

A player may be in touch and yet play the ball with his foot if the ball be not in touch.

A player, provided he is not carrying the ball, may be in touch and yet score a try by touching the ball down with his hands.

The ball blown over the touch-line and blown back shall be considered as in touch.

It will be noticed that bounding the ball out of touch is abolished.

Off-Side

A player may play in any position so long as he is on side and does not obstruct his opponents. He may come up to a scrummage and attempt to hook the ball out with his foot, provided the other foot is behind the ball.

A player must be in the field-of-play when he puts his men on-side after kicking the ball when behind them ; whilst he is not debarred from starting running up in touch, he must get into the field-of-play as soon as possible. It must be observed that only the kicker can place the off-side players on-side.

A player when off-side can intercept a pass from an opposing player.