

**Subject:** Incidents Involving the Goalkeeper

**Lesson Objective:**

At the completion of this lesson, the trainee will be able to apply the provisions of Law 12 regarding incidents involving the goalkeeper to the satisfaction of the instructor.

**Equipment and Materials to Teach the Lesson:**

Normal classroom setting with enough tables for students to work in groups of 3; chalkboard or whiteboard, to chart responses; lesson plan and notes; handouts, including the scenarios to be evaluated and answer sheets; Laws of the Game; USSF Advice to Referees on the Laws of the Game; and pen or pencil.

**Approximate Time Needed:**

45 minutes.

**Learning Set:**

Close your eyes and picture this in your mind. “You are the referee for a U16 game. You are 25 minutes into the first half, of what has been a hard fought but fair game. A ball has been kicked past the defense and an attacker is sprinting to get to the ball before the goalkeeper can control it. As the goalkeeper begins to dive for the ball the attacker begins to slide feet first at the ball. There is contact between attacker, goalkeeper and ball and you, as the referee, gasp at the contact. You blow your whistle.”

What are some of the comments you might hear?

**Strategies to Actively Involve the Participants:**

Have students break into groups of three. Assign one student to be the Reporter, who will report back to the whole class; another to be the Recorder, who will record the results on the answer sheet; and the other who will be the Elaboration Seeker, who makes sure everyone contributes to the discussion.

**Information: Facts, Concepts, Skills to be Taught:**

After breaking into groups, the students will assign roles and begin the assignment by reading the scenarios one at a time. After each scenario is read, the group members should discuss the incident and record the result.

After allowing time for all scenarios to be discussed (20 minutes, maximum) the groups will meet in class to record the results of all groups. This can be accomplished by polling the groups and recording the responses on the chalkboard or inviting each group Reporter to chart the responses on the chalkboard.

**Closure:**

Have the participants identify the key points involved in both legal and illegal actions involving the goalkeeper.

1. An attacker is standing directly in front of the goalkeeper who has the ball in his arms. The goalkeeper takes three steps around the attacker, attempting to distribute the ball within 5-6 seconds. The attacker moves with the goalkeeper, preventing him from releasing the ball.
2. A teammate of the goalkeeper panics when an attacker approaches. He kicks the ball toward the goalkeeper outside his penalty area. The goalkeeper collects the ball with his feet and returns it to the penalty area. He then kicks it to a defender who is 20 yards up field.
3. On a corner kick, the goalkeeper jumps between two attackers to punch the ball away. After clearing the ball, the goalkeeper accidentally strikes the attacker in the head with his follow through.
4. A goalkeeper attempting to catch a high-flying ball jumps straight up in the air with his knee raised. No attacker is within playing distance of the ball.
5. A ball deflects off an attacker to the goalkeeper's hands. The goalkeeper collects the ball and prepares to make a punt. An attacker who is moving toward midfield is accidentally hit in the head by the punt from the goalkeeper. The attacker collapses on the ground.
6. A goalkeeper challenges an attacker heading for the goal. During the challenge, with no other defenders between him and the goal, the goalkeeper, inside the penalty arc, trips the attacker.
7. After the goalkeeper makes a save, the attacker who took the shot accidentally (through normal momentum) brushes by the goalkeeper. After the attacker leaves the penalty area, the goalkeeper, while standing in the penalty area, throws the ball at the attacker's head.
8. At the taking of a corner kick, the ball is lofted into the penalty area near the penalty mark. The goalkeeper and two defenders are standing on the goal line preparing to receive the ball. The goalkeeper, focusing the ball, jumps into the back of an attacker who is preparing to head the ball. The attacker is knocked to the ground.
9. The goalkeeper after a dynamic save is lying outstretched on the ground with one hand on the ball. An attacker runs up and kicks the ball into the goal.
10. An attacker unfairly charges a goalkeeper, attempting to collect a loose ball within the goal area.
11. A goalkeeper, outside her penalty area, unfairly charges an attacker who is attempting to head the ball.

12. A goalkeeper catches a shot and while in the air, raises his knee to help maintain his balance. The attacker who took the shot continues on his run toward the goalkeeper. The attacker runs into the raised knee and they both fall down. Neither is injured.
13. After gathering the ball on a shot, the goalkeeper continues moving because of his momentum. After stopping, he takes 3 steps backward to position himself for the punt. He takes 6 steps forward and punts the ball down the field.
14. The goalkeeper has made a spectacular catch in the air. Her momentum carries her to the edge of the penalty area. She wants to punt the ball into play, so she takes 5 steps back and then 4 large steps forward and punts the ball down the field.
15. The referee calls a direct free kick foul for the attacking team just outside the penalty arc. The defending goalkeeper runs outside his penalty area to the referee and begins to protest the call.
16. The goalkeeper runs out of her penalty area to challenge an attacker who is moving toward the goal. There are two other defenders between the attacker and the goal. The goalkeeper grabs the ball with her hands.

DISCUSSION QUESTION ONLY: A goalkeeper playing the ball with his feet, passes the ball to his defender 10 yards outside the penalty area. The defender passes the ball back to the keeper and the keeper plays it to the other side of penalty area. Another defender receives the ball and when pressured by an attacker plays it to the keeper's feet. The keeper dribbles the ball around the penalty area with his feet, releasing it once to a fellow defender. The attackers are not moving toward the ball. **When does this become time wasting?**

### Entry Level Referee – Goalkeeper Module Answer Sheet

	No Infringement	DFK (Penalty Kick)	IFK	Caution	Send off
Scenario 1					
Scenario 2					
Scenario 3					
Scenario 4					
Scenario 5					
Scenario 6					
Scenario 7					
Scenario 8					
Scenario 9					
Scenario 10					
Scenario 11					
Scenario 12					
Scenario 13					
Scenario 14					
Scenario 15					
Scenario 16					

### Re-certifying Referee – Goalkeeper Module Answer Sheet

	No Infringement (Trivial?)	DFK or Penalty Kick	IFK	Caution	Send off	Restart from where?
Scenario 1						
Scenario 2						
Scenario 3						
Scenario 4						
Scenario 5						
Scenario 6						
Scenario 7						
Scenario 8						
Scenario 9						
Scenario 10						
Scenario 11						
Scenario 12						
Scenario 13						
Scenario 14						
Scenario 15						
Scenario 16						