

Paper Football League Rules

General Rules

1. Game consists of 2 teams of either 1 or 2 players but teams must have the same amount of players. If there is one player per team, each player will throw both footballs.
2. Equipment includes 2 paper footballs and an optional score keeping device or simply a pen/pencil and piece of paper.
3. Flip a coin or paper football to determine who goes first.
4. Football must have some part of it hanging over the edge to be counted as a touchdown.
5. On a field goal, the upright is made by the player sitting across from the scoring player. It is made by putting the tips of the thumbs together with the index fingers pointed upwards. The thumbs must be flat to make the field goal as wide as possible. The boundaries for the index fingers extend upwards and football must pass in between either the physical fingers or the upright extensions.
6. Scoring is first to 11.
7. If agreed upon by the players, anyone who fails to score during the duration of the game, or “trolls”, must sit under the table for the duration of the following game.

On your turn

1. One team member slides a football across the table to land it on or as close to the edge as possible.
2. The second team member slides the second football across the table to either knock the first football to the edge, land his football on the edge, or both.
3. If both of the footballs fail to land on the edge or fall off the table, or a combination of both, it is the end of the turn and is now the opposing team’s turn and this is repeated.

Scoring

1. The football must have some part of it hanging over the edge to be counted as a touchdown
2. If the scoring football is knocked to the edge by the second football, the player who slid the first football gets credit for the score and gets to flick the field goal.
3. If both footballs are slid and or knocked to the edge of the table, both players get credit for the score and both get to flick field goals.
4. Each field goal is worth 1 point
5. If both teammates score and both make their field goals, they get the footballs back for another turn.
6. Each touchdown counts as 1 point and each field goal counts as 1 point.

Rulings

1. If there is debate whether or not a football is over the edge, a straight edge such as a ruler may be slid against the edge. If the football is touched, it is a touchdown.
2. If intentional interference is made with the opposing team’s either sliding or stationary football, a field goal is awarded and the player who originally slid it gets a re-throw. Intentional interference includes blowing on a football, moving it by making physical contact with a football, and shaking the playing field.
3. If accidental contact is made with a sliding football, a re-throw is awarded.
4. If accidental contact is made with a stationary football which was already played, it must be returned to roughly the original spot. (Must be agreed upon by all players of the game.) Unless it is knocked to overhang on the edge in which case it is ruled a touchdown.