



VHSL COMMISSIONER'S EJECTION REPORT FORM

This form is to be used by commissioners to report the ejection of a player or coach from a contest. This form should be provided to the both schools and the VHSL office within two (2) business days of the ejection.

Completed forms should be emailed to Tom Dolan (tdolan@vhsl.org) and Carrie Little (clittle@vhsl.org) at the VHSL office.

SCHOOL: Wakefield High School DATE OF EJECTION: March 5, 2021

SPORT: Football LEVEL OF CONTEST: Varsity

OPPOSING SCHOOL: Marshall High School

WHO WAS EJECTED? Player IF PLAYER, GIVE NUMBER: _____

NAME OF PERSON EJECTED (if known): Officials didn't get names

REASON FOR EJECTION: Fighting

IF "OTHER," PLEASE SPECIFY:

OFFICIALS' ASSOCIATION: Northern Virginia COMMISSIONER: Larry Kendrick

DATE OF REPORT: March 7, 2021

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: With 48 seconds to go in the 4th quarter Wakefield had the ball and the quarterback rolled towards the Marshall sideline and was tackled there . It was 4th down for Wakefield so the referee spotted the ball and indicated that it was Marshall's ball (turn over on downs) . At that time the Referee became aware of a ruckus behind him around the 40 yard line . There were several players from both teams involved in the ruckus and coaches were on the field . After getting the players and coaches to their respective sidelines the officials met and determined that three Wakefield players were engaging in conduct that appeared to be inciting a fight and was inconsistent with the game of football . They were the prime insitgators from Wakefield . This is a violation of Rule 9 Section 5 Article 1 . Wakefield players [REDACTED] were disqualified for the remainder of the game .

The video of the game was sent to this office and I observed the following : With 48 seconds left in the 4th quarter at the end of the play , Wakefield player [REDACTED] and Marshall player [REDACTED] were face to face and then the Wakefield player [REDACTED] grabbed the Marshall player [REDACTED] 's facemask and pulled it causing him to go to the ground . Marshall player [REDACTED] then got up and tackled Wakefield player [REDACTED] and they went to the ground and a tussle began , this was clear on the video and appears to be what started things . There appears to be players from both teams that join in , I defer to the officials and their conclusion on Wakefield players [REDACTED] .

If the ejection is appealed, written verification of the decision to grant or deny the appeal must be submitted to the League office by the Principals of the participating schools and the association Commissioner.

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DEFINITION OF FIGHTING - Fighting is any attempt by a player or non-player to strike or engage an opponent in a combative manner not related to that sport. Fighting may occur when the ball is dead or alive. Fighting includes, but is not limited to, combative acts such as: An attempt to strike an opponent with a fist, hands, arms, legs or feet, whether or not there is contact; an attempt to instigate a fight by committing an unsportsmanlike act toward an opponent that causes an opponent to retaliate by fighting.