

BENDIGO BANK JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Last Touch Interpretation

18.4 Boundary Umpires are not required in BJFL, except for U18 Girls and U16 Boys. The following shall apply: A free kick shall be awarded to the opposition if a player kicks the ball over the boundary line, whether on the full or not. If the ball is knocked or taken over the boundary line (not by foot) or if in dispute or uncertain then the central umpire conducts a ball up 5m in from the boundary line where the ball went out. No player can have a direct kick for goal under this rule, except if the ball was kicked out on the full. (BJFL By-Law)

The BUA will adopt this rule, however the interpretation will not be restricted to just kicking, it will also involve handballing. So the rule relates to last disposal. Possible scenarios:

What happens if a player has a kick and it rolls out of bounds? Free kick against the player who kicks the ball.

What happens if a player handballs and it goes out of bounds? Ball up (if not judged deliberate)

What happens if a player is tackled and the ball spills out in the tackle and it goes out of bounds?

Ball up

The player had a kick after a mark or a free kick. The ball is kicked and is touched by the man on the mark and it goes out of bounds. What happens?

Free kick against the player who kicked the ball.

What happens if a kick is smothered and goes out of bounds? Ball up

What happens if the player with the ball is under pressure and carries the ball or is bumped or tackled out of bounds?

Ball up

What happens if the player is under no pressure and carries the ball out of bounds? Free kick against the player who is in possession.

What happens if the ball is in dispute and goes out of bounds? Ball up

What happens if a player spoils in a marking contest and it goes out of bounds? Ball up

What happens if a player fumbles a mark and the ball goes out of bounds?
Ball up





