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Law 17

The Corner Kick

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When the whole of the ball has crossed the entire width of the goal line, not counted as a goal and last touched by a defender, a corner kick is awarded.

The responsibility for indicating that the ball has left the field of play and that a corner kick should be awarded is shared by the referee and each assistant referee.

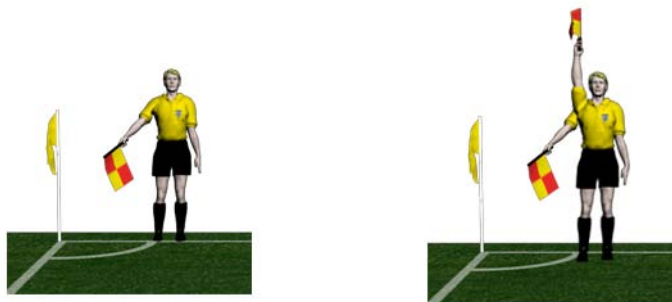


Whenever an A.R. signals the ball out of the play, he must retain the signal until acknowledged by the referee.



Regardless of the corner to be used or which official has primary responsibility:

- **the flag is pointed downward toward the nearest corner flag**
- **for clear decisions, direct signal**
- **when the ball goes over the goal line and the decision is tight the assistant referee must first raise his flag to inform the referee the ball is out of play**



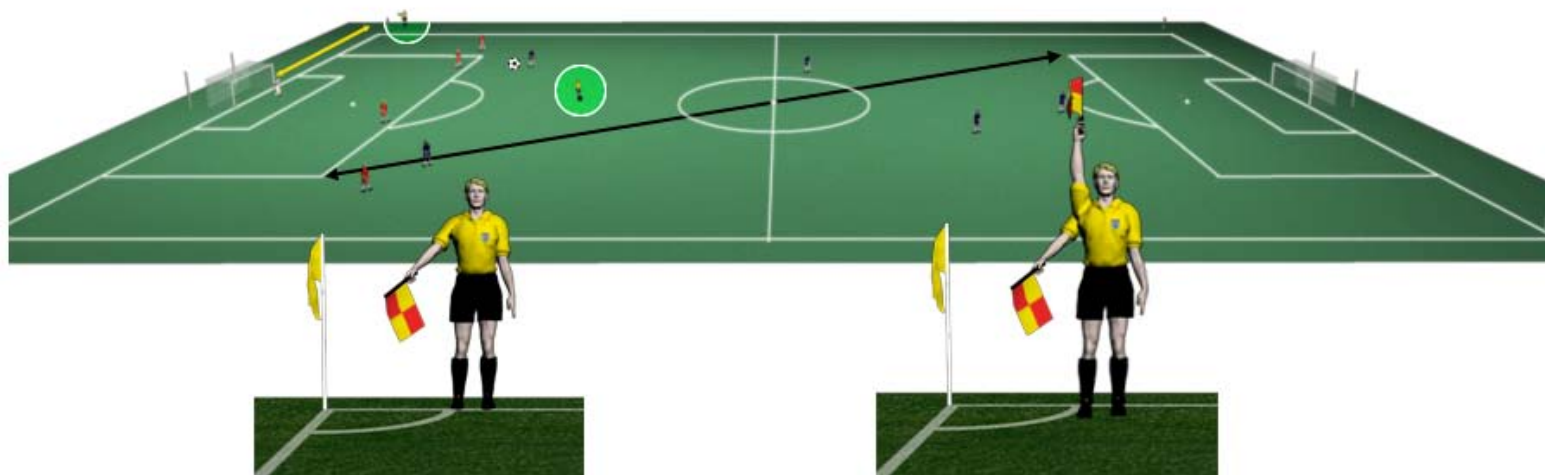
Ball leaves the field of play across the **AR's** side of the goal line.

Clear situations:

- **show corner kick directly**
- **priority for A.R.**

Unclear situations:

- **raise the flag (if necessary)**
- **make eye contact**
- **follow referee's signal**



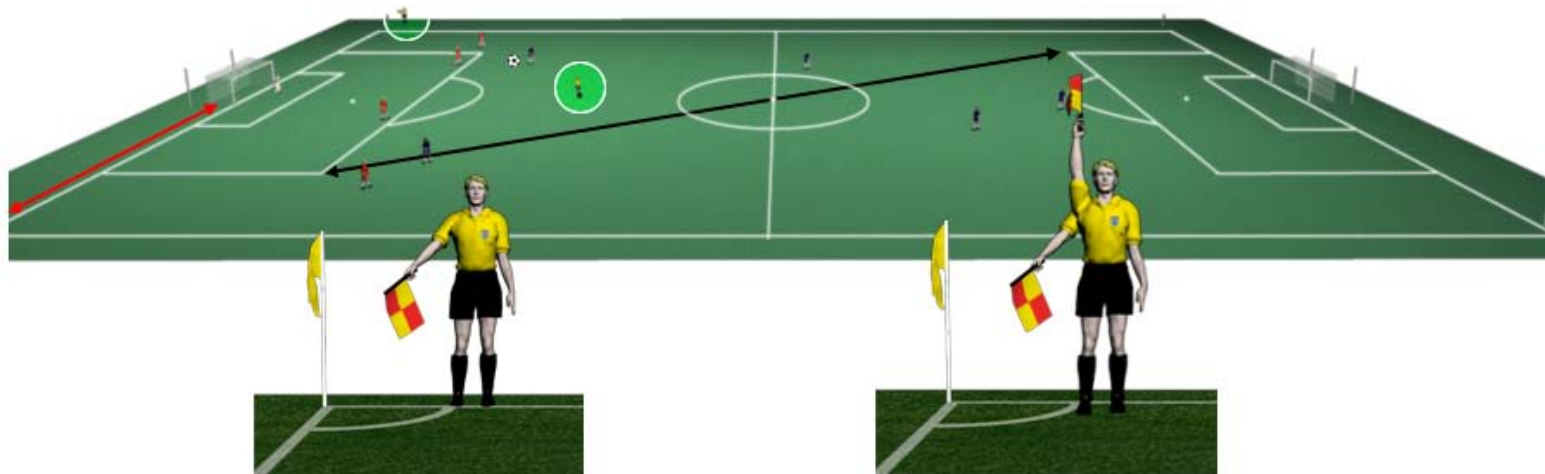
Ball leaves the field of play across the **referee's** side of the goal line.

Clear situations

- **show corner kick directly**

Unclear situations

- **make eye contact**
- **priority for Referee**
- **just follow referee's signal**

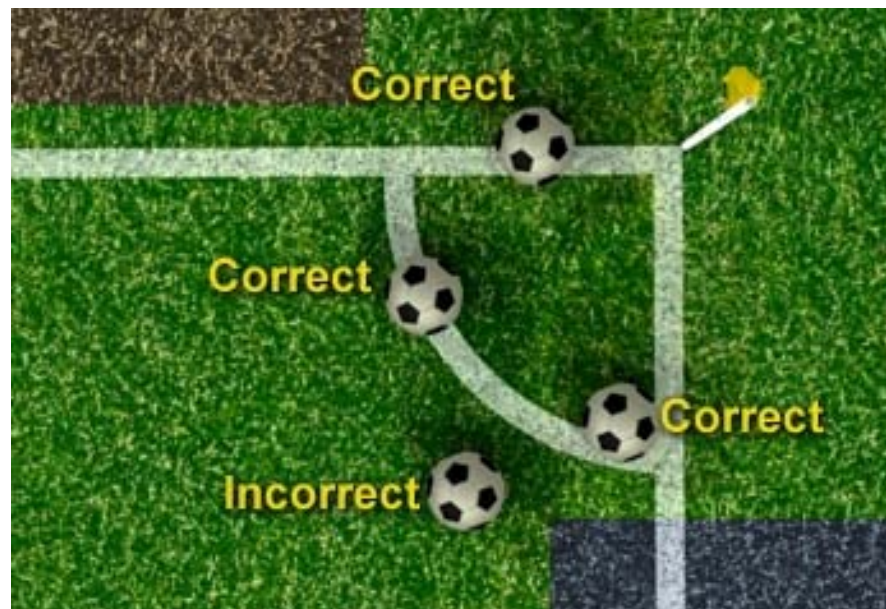


Regardless of the corner used for the kick, the AR is positioned in line with the goal line behind the corner flag.



The AR assists the referee to ensure that:

- the ball is properly placed
- the corner flag is not moved
- opponents are at least 9.15 m (10 yds) from **the corner arc**



The ball is kicked by a player of the attacking team.

The ball shall be placed inside the corner arc and is in play when it is kicked, therefore the ball does not need to leave the corner arc to be in play.



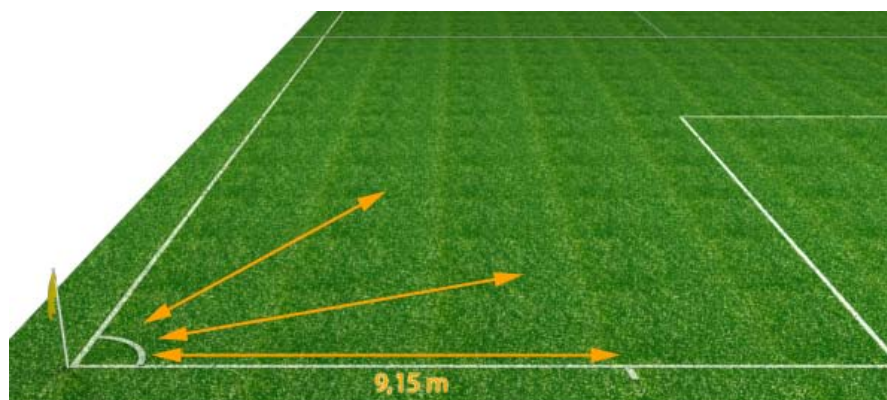
A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick, but only against the opposing team.

There is no offside offence if a player receives the ball directly from a corner kick.



Opponents remain at least 9.15 m (10 yds) from the corner arc until the ball is in play (use the optional marks off the field of play for assistance)

- **to deal with these situations, referees shall warn any players within this distance before the corner kick is taken and caution the player if he fails to retreat to the correct distance. Play shall be restarted with a corner kick**



If the kicker touches the ball a second time before it has touched another player, including if the ball rebounds from a goal post, an indirect free kick shall be awarded to the opposing team in the position where the second touch occurred.*



If a player, while correctly taking a corner kick, intentionally kicks the ball at an opponent in order to play the ball a second time but neither in a careless nor a reckless manner nor using excessive force, the referee shall allow play to continue.

