90 Second Possession Clock Rules

Two visible 90 second possession clocks will be used.

- If two clocks are not available than one clock should be at midfield for both teams (in case a school doesn't have 2 or if one malfunctions)
- A. A trained person must be available to operate the possession clock.
 - 1. The possession clock timer will be from the home team and should sit at the scorer's/timer's table opposite the center circle.
 - 2. If the possession clock timing functions are not handled at field level, the home team must ensure that direct two-way communication is available at all times between the press box and the scorer's/timer's table.
- B. 90 Second possession clock operation
 - 1. After a team has gained possession of the ball, a visible 90 second possession clock will start.
 - 2. At the expiration of the 90 seconds, a horn should sound to signal the expiration of the possession clock. A change of possession will be awarded to the opposing team at the spot of the ball within the playing area at the time of the violation. No player may be closer than 4 meters to the free position. The player taking the free position may self-start. If the ball is in the air at the time of the violation, the free position is administered relative to where the ball lands.
 - 3. The possession clock resets on the following:
 - a. Any green, yellow, or red card issued to the team without possession.
 - b. Save by the goalkeeper of the team with possession, inside or outside of the goal circle, and whether possessed or deflected off the goalkeeper.
 - c. Shot on goal by the team with possession that hits a pipe or rebounds off a save and the team who shot the ball has retained possession.
 - d. Offside violation; or
 - e. Change of possession.
- i. Shot on goal for purposes of this rule, the ball must be released from the shooter's stick prior to the expiration of the 90 second possession clock.
- ii. Shots that go wide of the pipes or above the crossbar do not reset the 90 second possession clock.
 - 4. The possession clock stops on the following:
 - a. The possession clock must stop at any point the game clock is stopped.
 - b. Possession clock stops on <u>any defensive foul</u> in the Critical Scoring Area. The game clock will continue to run during administration of this foul.
 - c. Possession clock resets on offsides violation and will only restart after the penalty is administered.