

Premier League Key Match Incidents

Match Round 1 - 2026/27

Match Round	Home Team	Away Team	On field decision (KMI type + descriptor)	Time (MM:SS)	Lead Official	On-field decision outcome	Votes (correct / incorrect)	VAR overturn (Y/N)	VAR intervention outcome	Votes (correct / incorrect)	Panel commentary
1	Arsenal	Coventry City	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against Van Ewijk (COV)	37:21	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against Van Ewijk was supported. The arms were in a justifiable position within the bodyline.
1	Arsenal	Coventry City	KMI Goal awarded. White (ARS) in an onside position	48:15	Assistant Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The on-field onside decision to award the goal was supported.
1	Hull City	Manchester United	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against Mazraoui (MUN)	74:35	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against Mazraoui was supported. The ball was struck from close proximity with the defender's arms in an expected position given his blocking action.
1	Everton	Crystal Palace	Penalty not awarded. Challenge by Canvot (CRY) on Branthwaite (EVE)	23:57	Assistant Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The on-field offside call against Branthwaite was supported as the offside offence occurred before the possible penalty. The panel felt that had an offside offence not taken place a penalty should have been awarded for the challenge by Canvot.
1	Everton	Crystal Palace	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against Richards (CRY)	41:42	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against Richards was supported. The ball deflected off his own body changing trajectory before making contact with his arm.
1	Nottingham Forest	Leeds United	Sending off dismissal not given. Challenge by Aina (NFO) on Justin (LDS)	16:42	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The panel unanimously supported the Referee's call of a yellow card for a reckless challenge on the basis that Aina's challenge was low and made minimal contact with his leading leg - lacking the force and intensity to be serious foul play.
1	Nottingham Forest	Leeds United	KMI Goal not awarded. Wilson (LDS) in an offside position	25:00	Assistant Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The on-field offside decision to disallow the goal for an offence against Wilson was supported.
1	Ipswich Town	Sunderland	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against Khaka (SUN)	64:41	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against Khaka was supported. His arms were in an expected position when stooping to head the ball.
1	Brentford	Tottenham Hotspur	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against Gallagher (TOT)	03:10	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against Gallagher was supported. Gallagher's arm was in a justifiable position with the defender right in front of him.
1	Brentford	Tottenham Hotspur	Penalty not awarded. Challenge by Senesi (TOT) on Collins (BRE)	46:56	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The panel unanimously supported the Referee's call of no penalty, understanding that there is a slight pull on Collins' shirt, but judging that Collins had initially instigated the contact with Senesi before going to ground.
1	Brentford	Tottenham Hotspur	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against van Hecke (TOT)	52:45	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against van Hecke was supported. His arms were tucked in and the ball hits from close proximity.
1	Brentford	Tottenham Hotspur	Penalty awarded. Challenge by Bentancur (TOT) on Schade (BRE)	52:49	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The panel supported the Referee's call of a penalty for a foul by Bentancur. Contact was made into the back of Schade, reaching the threshold for a penalty kick.
1	Brighton & Hove Albion	Aston Villa	KMI Goal awarded. Rutter (BHA) in an onside position	17:23	Assistant Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The on-field onside decision to award the goal was supported.
1	Brighton & Hove Albion	Aston Villa	KMI Goal awarded. Challenge by Ayari (BHA) on Gomes (AVL)	30:32	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The panel felt that the challenge did not meet the high threshold for a foul, therefore, the Referee's call to award the goal was supported.
1	Brighton & Hove Albion	Aston Villa	Sending off dismissal not given. Actions of Gomes (AVL) on Rutter (BHA)	37:20	Referee	Incorrect - violent conduct by Gomes	0:5	Y	Correct - clear and obvious error	5:0	The VAR intervention to award a red card for violent conduct was unanimously supported. Gomes kicked out at Rutter after the ball had gone.
1	Brighton & Hove Albion	Aston Villa	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against Torres (AVL)	53:37	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against Torres was supported. His arms were in an expected position when aerially challenging for the ball.
1	Brighton & Hove Albion	Aston Villa	KMI Goal not awarded. Kostoulas (BHA) in an offside position	64:46	Assistant Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The on-field offside decision to disallow the goal for an offence against Kostoulas was supported.
1	Brighton & Hove Albion	Aston Villa	Penalty not awarded. Challenge by McGinn (AVL) on Osman (BHA)	78:53	Referee	Incorrect - foul by McGinn	1:4	N	Correct - not a clear and obvious error	3:2	The panel were split, 4:1, with the majority feeling that a penalty should have been awarded on-field. McGinn steps into challenge Osman and makes contact without playing the ball. Whilst the majority of the panel preferred the outcome to be a penalty, with the high threshold for VAR intervention, the majority, 3:2, felt that it was not a clear and obvious error.
1	Manchester City	Bournemouth	Penalty not awarded. Challenge by Smith (BOU) on Semenyo (MCI)	27:20	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty was supported, with there being minimal contact made by Smith which was below the threshold for a foul.
1	Manchester City	Bournemouth	Penalty not awarded. Challenge by Scott (BOU) on Lewis (MCI)	45:00+00:55	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty was supported, with there being minimal contact made by Scott on Lewis; and therefore below the threshold for a penalty.
1	Manchester City	Bournemouth	KMI Goal not awarded. Gvardiol (MCI) in an offside position	90:00+00:30	Assistant Referee	Incorrect - Gvardiol onside	0:5	Y	Correct - clear and obvious error	5:0	The panel supported the VAR intervention to award the goal with Gvardiol judged to be factually onside.
1	Newcastle United	Liverpool	Penalty not awarded. Challenge by Jacquet (LIV) on Osula (NEW)	23:40	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty was supported with Jacquet clearly playing the ball, with any contact being expected following a challenge.
1	Newcastle United	Liverpool	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against Thiaw (NEW)	77:12	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against Thiaw was supported. His arms were in a justifiable position by his side.
1	Newcastle United	Liverpool	Penalty awarded. Challenge by Hall (NEW) on Munoz (LIV)	90:00+05:09	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The panel unanimously supported the Referee's call of a penalty. Hall stepped across Munoz making contact with the attacker and not with the ball.
1	Fulham	Chelsea	DOGSO dismissal not given. Challenge by Colwill (CHE) on Bobb (FUL)	04:04	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The Referee's call of a yellow card for a potential DOGSO was supported with the attacker playing the ball away from goal; so this was not considered an obvious goalscoring opportunity.
1	Fulham	Chelsea	Sending off dismissal not given. Challenge by Lavia (CHE) on Bassey (FUL)	11:14	Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The challenge by Lavia on Bassey was judged to be low, reckless, and lacked the force and intensity for a red card. The Referee's call of a yellow card for a reckless challenge was supported.
1	Fulham	Chelsea	Penalty not awarded. Handball appeal against Robinson (FUL)	18:52	Referee	Correct	4:1	N	Correct	4:1	The Referee's call of no penalty for a potential handball offence against Robinson was supported, 4:1. The ball comes off his head before making contact with his arm as he is stooping to clear. One panellist felt that the movement of Robinson's right arm was deliberate and a penalty should have been awarded.
1	Fulham	Chelsea	KMI Goal awarded. Pedro (CHE) in an onside position	48:33	Assistant Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The on-field onside decision to award the goal was supported.
1	Fulham	Chelsea	KMI Goal not awarded. Quenda (CHE) in an offside position	89:56	Assistant Referee	Correct	5:0	N	Correct	5:0	The on-field offside decision to disallow the goal for an offence against Quenda was supported.

The decision outcomes are decided by a panel of 5, consisting of PL representative (1), PGMOL representative (1) and independent (ex-players/managers) representatives (3)