



**CORRECT**

**QUESTION**

In an exciting finals game at Drysdale, the siren goes to end the game however the umpire in control fails to hear the siren due to the large crowd and awards a mark straight in front to the full forward. The mid zone umpire runs down to inform the end zone umpire that he heard the siren before the completion of the mark. What happens next? What is your Decision?

**ANSWER**

No mark, end of the game

10.4 BRINGING PLAY TO AN END page 28 of the Laws of Australian Football

10.4.1 End of Quarter

The Timekeepers shall sound the siren to signal the end of a quarter until a field Umpire and, or the Emergency Umpire acknowledges that the siren has been heard and brings play to an end.

**10.4.2 Siren Heard by Field Umpire**

**Play in each quarter shall come to an end when any one of the field Umpires or emergency field Umpire hears the siren.**

10.4.3 Signal

A field Umpire shall signal that they have heard the siren by blowing a whistle and holding both arms above their head.

If immediately before hearing the siren, a field Umpire is of the opinion that a Player should be awarded a Free Kick or a Mark, the field Umpire shall signal that play has come to an end and then award the Free Kick or Mark to the Player. A Free Kick will not be awarded where the football has been kicked and, after the field Umpire has heard the siren, lands out of bounds on the full.

