

Five defensive players and kicker get franchise tags

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NEW YORK — Five defensive players, all premier pass rushers, and 49ers placekicker Robbie Gould, were given franchise tags by their teams before Tuesday's NFL deadline.

Ends DeMarcus Lawrence of Dallas and Frank Clark of Seattle, linebackers Dee Ford of Kansas City and Jadeveon Clowney of Houston, and DT Grady Jarrett of Atlanta received non-exclusive tags. So did Gould.

That means the players can negotiate with other teams, which would be required to give up two first-round draft choices as compensation for signing the tagged player.

The amount a defensive end must be offered is \$17.128 million for 2019. Linebackers would get \$15.443 million. A defensive tackle must get \$15.209 million and a kicker \$4.971 million.

Free agency begins March 13 at 4 p.m. EDT.

Lawrence, 26, was tagged for a second straight year. He is in line for \$20.5 million, 120 percent more than he made under the tag last season. Even if the 26-year-old signs it, Lawrence and his representatives have until July 15 to work out a long-term deal with Dallas.

Last year, Lawrence signed a \$17.1 million contract the same day the Cowboys placed the franchise tag on him. He had 10½ sacks as the main cog in Dallas' improved defense this past season.

Clark, 25, had a career-high 13 sacks in 2018 despite no longer having veterans Michael Bennett and Cliff Avril up front with him. Those were the most sacks by any Seattle player since 2007.

"It's been marvelous to watch him grow. He's grown within the program," coach Pete Carroll said of Clark late last season. "How many

years has he been here? Four? Yeah, so it's like he's a senior now and he's acting like it. He's embraced the opportunity and the role.

"He's just grown up right before our eyes and he speaks so clearly about how it all works together."

Ford, 26, comes off the best season of his career with 13 sacks and forcing an NFL-leading seven fumbles. The Chiefs have expressed an interest in a long-term deal, though they are also open to trading him as they switch from a 3-4 to 4-3 base defense under coordinator Steve Spagnuolo.

"The one thing he can do, and we all know this, he is an explosive football player that makes a lot of plays," said Spagnuolo, who was hired after the Chiefs lost to the Patriots in the AFC title game to turn around one of the league's worst defenses. "He's had some production and if he is here with us, I'll be excited to have him and be

excited to work with him."

Clowney, 26, has said he'd like to remain a Texan and after Houston lost 21-7 to the Colts in the wild-card round in January he reiterated that sentiment.

"We were a lot better than what we played (against Indianapolis)," he said then. "Of course I want to come back and show everybody that with this team. But that's up to them."

Jarrett was a bright spot in the Falcons' disappointing 2018 season. Jarrett, 25, had 52 tackles and set career highs with six sacks and three forced fumbles as the leader of Atlanta's defensive front.

"As we have said since the end of the season, getting a deal done with Grady is our priority," Falcons GM Thomas Dimitroff said. "Applying the franchise tag to him does not change that in any way. Our aim is for Grady to be an integral part of our plan for many years to come."



AP Photo/Matt Dunham, File
In this Oct. 14, 2018, file photo, Oakland Raiders quarterback Derek Carr (4) is sacked by Seattle Seahawks defensive end Frank Clark (55) during an NFL football game at Wembley Stadium in London.

U.S. women's soccer team beats Brazil, 1-0

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — While the United States didn't win the SheBelieves Cup tournament on home soil, coach Jill Ellis is still encouraged with the team's progress as it prepares for the women's World Cup.

Tobin Heath scored in the first half and the United States finished the SheBelieves Cup with a 1-0 victory over Brazil on Tuesday night.

"I've already come out of this tournament with less question marks, because of the takeaways in terms of personnel and different things that we've seen, and that feels good," Ellis said.

It was the final game of the four-team, round-robin tournament. s. England

defeated Japan 3-0 in the early game on Tuesday to win the title. The United States finished second on points.

All four teams are in the top 10 of the FIFA rankings and will play in the World Cup in France later this year. The Americans, ranked No. 1, are the defending champions of soccer's most prestigious tournament.

The United States played to a 2-2 draw with Japan in the tournament opener in Pennsylvania, and then tied England 2-2 in Nashville on Saturday. Brazil, ranked No. 10, lost all three of its matches.

Alyssa Naeher, the presumed U.S. starter in goal for the World Cup, injured her shoulder in the opener against Japan.

LOCAL SLATE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6
Boys Basketball
Pendleton vs. Wilsonville (at Gill Coliseum), 8:15 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	46	19	.708	
Philadelphia	41	23	.641	4½
Boston	38	26	.594	7½
Brooklyn	33	33	.500	13½
New York	13	51	.203	32½
Southeast	W	L	Pct	GB
Charlotte	29	34	.460	—
Miami	29	34	.460	—
Orlando	30	36	.455	½
Washington	26	37	.413	3
Atlanta	22	43	.338	8
Central	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Milwaukee	48	16	.750	—
Indiana	42	23	.646	6½
Detroit	31	31	.500	16
Chicago	18	47	.277	30½
Cleveland	16	48	.250	32

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	39	25	.609	—
San Antonio	36	29	.554	3½
New Orleans	30	36	.455	10
Dallas	27	36	.429	11½
Memphis	26	40	.394	14
Northwest	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	42	21	.667	—
Oklahoma City	39	25	.609	3½
Portland	39	25	.609	3½
Utah	36	27	.571	6
Minnesota	30	34	.469	12½
Pacific	W	L	Pct	GB

Golden State	44	19	.698	—
L.A. Clippers	37	29	.561	8½
Sacramento	32	31	.508	12
L.A. Lakers	30	34	.469	14½
Phoenix	14	51	.215	31

x-clinched playoff spot

Monday's Games

Brooklyn 127, Dallas 88
Miami 114, Atlanta 113
San Antonio 104, Denver 103
New Orleans 115, Utah 112
Phoenix 114, Milwaukee 105
Sacramento 115, New York 108
L.A. Clippers 113, L.A. Lakers 105

Tuesday's Games

Indiana 105, Chicago 96
Philadelphia 114, Orlando 106
Houston 107, Toronto 95
Memphis 120, Portland 111
Minnesota 131, Oklahoma City 120
Boston at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Dallas at Washington, 4 p.m.
Miami at Charlotte, 4 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 4 p.m.
Cleveland at Brooklyn, 4:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 5 p.m.
Utah at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
New York at Phoenix, 6 p.m.
Boston at Sacramento, 7 p.m.
Denver at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Indiana at Milwaukee, 5 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Portland, 7:30 p.m.
Friday's Games
Dallas at Orlando, 4 p.m.
Washington at Charlotte, 4 p.m.
Cleveland at Miami, 5 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 5 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 5 p.m.

SCOREBOARD

Toronto at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Utah at Memphis, 5 p.m.
Denver at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 7:30 p.m.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	67	51	12	4	106	263	176
Boston	66	40	17	9	89	198	164
Toronto	66	41	21	4	86	239	188
Montreal	66	35	24	7	77	201	193
Buffalo	66	30	28	8	68	190	211
Florida	66	28	26	12	68	209	227
Detroit	65	23	33	9	55	179	223
Ottawa	67	23	38	6	52	199	251
Metropolitan	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Islanders	66	38	21	7	83	192	161
Washington	66	38	21	7	83	226	208
Carolina	66	36	23	7	79	199	180
Pittsburgh	66	35	22	9	79	229	204
Columbus	66	37	26	3	77	205	198
Philadelphia	66	32	26	8	72	201	219
N.Y. Rangers	66	27	28	11	65	190	219
New Jersey	67	25	33	9	59	189	225

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Nashville	69	39	25	5	83	207	184
Winnipeg	66	39	23	4	82	224	198
St. Louis	65	34	25	6	74	187	181
Dallas	66	34	27	5	73	167	170
Minnesota	67	32	27	8	72	186	196
Colorado	66	28	26	12	68	216	208
Chicago	66	27	30	9	63	220	250
Pacific	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Calgary	66	41	18	7	89	234	192
San Jose	66	39	19	8	86	238	206
Vegas	67	36	26	5	77	201	187
Arizona	65	32	28	5	69	176	183
Edmonton	66	29	30	7	65	187	216
Vancouver	66	27	30	9	63	180	206

Anaheim 66 25 32 9 59 144 203
Los Angeles 65 24 33 8 56 158 207
NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Monday's Games

Edmonton 4, Buffalo 3
Toronto 6, Calgary 2

Tuesday's Games

Columbus 2, New Jersey 1, SO
Pittsburgh 3, Florida 2, OT
Boston 4, Carolina 3, OT
N.Y. Islanders 5, Ottawa 4, SO
Tampa Bay 5, Winnipeg 2
Nashville 5, Minnesota 4, SO
Dallas 1, N.Y. Rangers 0
Anaheim at Arizona, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Colorado, 6 p.m.
Montreal at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Washington at Philadelphia, 4:30 p.m.
Toronto at Vancouver, 6 p.m.
St. Louis at Anaheim, 7 p.m.
Calgary at Vegas, 7:30 p.m.

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Florida at Boston, 4 p.m.
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N.Y. Rangers at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Ottawa, 4:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Tampa Bay, 4:30 p.m.
Colorado at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Edmonton, 6 p.m.
Calgary at Arizona, 6 p.m.
Montreal at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.
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