

#### Rams S Terrell Burgess - Media Availability - August 26, 2020

#### (On how practice was for him today)

"It was good. It was hot outside, a little bit, but it went really well. I think the situation – both offense and defense, we handled pretty well. We just got to keep building each and every day."

## (On if the situational drills during practice make's it fun for them)

"Oh definitely, definitely. It definitely gives us insight. Kind of gives us like a game-like experience so we can be able to handle situations when they come when the game starts."

### (On how its been for him getting extra practice reps)

"Kind of has to speed up your learning process. Kind of, you just got to get ready to get out there and play with the veterans that are ready to go this season. I think a lot of them expect you to step up when you get out there, so you just got to limit the mistakes and keep building every day, so that you can play the best of your abilities as well as they are."

## (On a learning curve in person after a digital offseason)

"It was definitely hard to learn on Zoom. I'll be honest with you, I definitely realized, I don't want to sit in front of a desk any time soon. But, at the same time it was a learning experience, but once we got here and able to learn in the building, I was glad. I think in the beginning it was, you know, kind of playing catch-up, but now it's kind of just hitting the ground running and doing your best."

#### (On where he stands with the process of learning and preparing for practice)

"I feel like you got to think every play, but you also got to go out there and play fast. So, I think, when I say learning process, I kind of just meant it's definitely a lot different to learn when you're watching somebody on Zoom, than when they're standing 10 feet in front of you teaching the plays. I think every play you have to go out there and think about your assignment before it goes, but you also got to go out there and play fast, because the offense is not going to wait for you to be like, 'Oh wait, wait'. So, you just have to go out there and play."

#### (On what defensive backs have been resourceful for him throughout training camp)

"Honestly, I feel like you can learn something from anybody. Obviously, the veterans like (CB) Jalen (Ramsey), and 'J.J.' (S John Johnson III). I've been able to learn from everybody, even the rookies from last year like (CB) David Long (Jr.)and (S) Nick Scott. I've been able to learn from everybody, take bits and pieces from everybody to help it transition to my game, so I can play the best of my abilities."

## (On if he's been in contact with former Safety Eric Weddle)

"A little bit. Yeah, I talked to him this week. He's doing well. I talked to him a little bit. You know, I'm excited to be able to learn from him as well and just keep moving forward."

#### (On anything specific Weddle has helped with)

"Specifically, no. I wouldn't say specifically, kind of just made sure that I had my head on straight and just learning everyday, because you have to learn fast in this league because nobody's going to wait for you to be honest with you."

(On his relationship with S Jordan Fuller and if he leans on him for guidance)

"Oh 100 percent. He's definitely my guy on the team. We met a few months ago at the combine. I wouldn't have known that we would be on the same team, but now it's nice to be able to play along side with him and learn from him as well as him learning from me and just keep building with each other. He's a good guy and I'm glad to be able to play with him."

## (On how much they got to know each other at the NFL Scouting Combine)

"I wouldn't say I spent much time with him, because I had a few of my teammates with me at the combine as well, so I was able to lean on them if I needed anything. But, we spent a little time together when we were on the field during the workout. I think we just talked a little bit. Not too much, but just able to get a feel for each other, not knowing that this would happen though, obviously."

# (On how different training camp has been with COVID-19 and if he envisioned his transition to the pro level being like this)

"I think, different I would say from the fact of not having people watching every practice. Besides that I still have to go out there and do my job and do what I can to earn my teammate's trust. So, I think the only difference will be just people watching around practice just like college. Other than that, I'm ready to go out there and hit the ground running."

## (On if he has gotten to know all of his teammates on the same level given split locker rooms for social distancing)

"I try and do my best to get to know everybody, whoever I come in contact with. I definitely think it's different with the split locker room, but being on the practice field, I try and ask people their names as well as ask something about them, just to make sure that I'm being able to get to know everybody if, that makes sense."

## (On one technique he's learned while playing with the starters that he didn't know prior to playing on the pro level)

"I don't know if this is technique-wise, but scheme-wise, I never played coverage before I came to the NFL. Playing quarters is a difficult thing, but you have to keep building and just learn and play fast. So, that's one thing I'd say. That's scheme-wise that's not technique-wise."

## (On if he's been keeping in contact with his former Utah teammates that were drafted)

"Yeah, I talk to them pretty frequently. Obviously, we're all in camp, but we probably talk a couple times a week just to make sure we're saying up, learning from each other. Still talking to make sure that we're still playing the best of our abilities around the country."

## (On how it will feel playing with no fans at SoFi to start the season)

"Honestly, I haven't thought about it too much. Obviously, I've never played a football game in front of nobody in general. But, going into the stadium last Saturday and hearing how loud the crowd noise we had and how loud the stadium is with just the noise of the surround sound, I guess. It was still pretty loud. Once we start playing, I don't look in the stands anyway to hear the fans, so I think it'll be just normal. Who knows?"

# (On if he expected family to attend his games and will they be allowed to visit under the new restrictions)

"I don't think it'll be allowed. I don't really know all the restrictions. I definitely did expect my family to come up since I'm not from too far from here, but if they can't come up they can still watch it on TV. I'm going to advocate for that, for sure."

### (On if he's heard from his family the announcement was made)

"Yeah, my mom called me last night. She wasn't too happy about it, but you got to do what you got to do to stay safe."