

Connecticut State Board of Approved Basketball Officials

Interpreters Bulletin



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This bulletin will present recent play situations that have occurred in Connecticut games this season. As a reminder, Connecticut has six (6) area rules interpreters, and a state interpreter who serves as our liaison to the CIAC. We are members of the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials (IAABO); the world's oldest, largest and most respected organization dedicated to the education and continuous improvement of basketball officials. We annually train our officials to follow the rules and points of emphasis publicized by the CIAC and the NFHS.

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PLAY SITUATIONS

Situation #1 – Prior to a throw-in on the end line near A's basket, A1, A2 and A3 line up shoulder-to-shoulder parallel to the end line: (a) within 3 feet of end line it; or (b) more than 3 feet from end line. In both cases, Team B requests space between the Team A players.

Ruling - In (a), the request is granted and a Team B player may - position between each of the Team A players. In (b), the request is denied. (Rule 7-6-5, Casebook 7.6.5 Situation)

Situation #2 – Prior to a throw-in, the coach of Team A tells his/her players to hold each others' shirts while lined up so the defense could not get in between them. **Ruling** – This is illegal and is a team technical foul. (Rule 10-1-10)

Situation #3 – A1 dunks the ball. As the ball is passing through the net but not fully through the net, the ball hits (a) A1's head or (b) B1's head and ball pops back up and out of basket. **Ruling** – (a) This is basket interference on A1 and no points can be scored. It will be Team B's ball for a designated spot throw-in. (b) This is basket interference on B1. Score two points for Team A. It will be Team B's ball for a throw-in anywhere along the end line. (Rule 4-6-1)

Situation #4 - A1 dunks the ball. After the ball passes fully through the net, the ball hits (a) A1's head or (b) B1's head and the ball pops back up and out of basket. **Ruling** – In both (a) and (b), this is a successful goal. It will be Team B's ball for a throw-in anywhere along the end line. (Rule 5-1-1)

Situation #5 – (a) Team A is granted a time out. As A1 is walking toward Team A's huddle, A1 curses at the official. (b) The second quarter ends. As A1 is walking toward Team A's huddle, A1 curses at the official. How does the official handle these actions? **Ruling** – (a) rule a player technical foul to A1 (Rule 10-2-6a) and a team foul to Team A. Resume play by awarding Team B two (2) free throws and the ball opposite the scoring table for a throw-in. (b) Rule a technical foul on A1 and an indirect technical foul to the head coach because all team members are considered bench personal between quarters. (Rule 4-34-1, Case 4-34-1 Situation). Team A coach loses the coaching box privilege. Begin the third quarter by awarding Team B two (2) free throws and the ball opposite the scorer's table for a throw-in. Team A has one team foul and the alternating possession arrow is unaffected. (Rule 10-4-1a; Casebook 10.4.1 Situation B)

Situation #6 – A1 dives for a loose ball on the court, traps the ball between his/her legs and calls a timeout. Should the official grant the time out request? **Ruling** – A timeout cannot be granted in this situation because there is no player control and this is a kicking violation. (Rule 4-29)

Situation #7 – A1 is at free throw line for his/her second free throw attempt. While the ball is in air, A2 fouls B2. Team B is in the bonus. Are free throws awarded to Team B? **Ruling** – As soon as A1 releases the ball on the try, player/team control no longer exists. Regardless of whether A1's free throw attempt is successful or not, award B2 the appropriate bonus free throws. (Rule 4-12-3a, Rule 10 Penalties Summary 3a & 3b)

Situation #8 – Team B has scored a field goal and A1 has the ball along the end line for a throw-in. Team A is not in the bonus. Prior to the ball being thrown inbounds by A1, (a) B1 fouls A2 inbounds near A1; (b) B1 fouls A2 at the division line; (c) B1 fouls A2 beyond the division line; or (d) A2 requests a timeout. **Ruling** – In (a) and (d), Team A may throw-in from anywhere out of bounds along the end line following the foul reporting and the time-out. In (b) and (c), the ball will be given to Team A for a throw-in from the spot out of bounds nearest to where the foul occurred. (Casebook - 7.5.7 Situation C)

Situation #9 – While A1's three-point field-goal attempt is in flight, A3 fouls B3 near the end line (B is not in the bonus). The three-point field-goal attempt is successful. **Ruling** – Score the three-point goal for A1. Team B will be permitted to run the end line on the ensuing throw-in. (Rule 6-7-7 Exception 2, Casebook 7.5.7 Situation E)

Reminders: Under-shirts MUST be the same color as the game jersey. Compression shorts MUST be the same color as the game shorts. Arm sleeves, leg sleeves/tights, head bands, and wrist bands MUST all be the same color, either white, black, beige, or the predominant color of the jersey, and the same color for each player.