

To: OHSAA Basketball Officials

From: Denny Morris, Director of Officiating Development – Basketball

Re: Plays of the Week – Week 7

Date: Monday, December 12, 2022

Two video clips are linked below for you review this week:

[Video: Punch Ejection](#)

[Video: Elbow](#)

In the first clip, the player was ejected for throwing a punch. There is no evidence of such an act. The official appears to initially start to properly call a held ball, then decides to assess a flagrant technical foul and ejection for the brief ensuing action. At most I could support a single technical foul for the elbow contact after the whistle but again this is not a punch and definitely does not rise to the level of ejection. Please remember that an ejection carries a 2-game suspension and is not appealable. Therefore we must be 100% accurate when we eject and the ejection must be warranted. Mechanically, the T should be closing down to officiate the rebounding action and not bailing out towards midcourt. It would be preferable for the calling official to huddle with his partners for input before deciding to eject as they may have had a better perspective. C appears to have a very good view of the action. Also it would be preferable to avoid the “heave-ho” signal as this is not necessary or an approved signal. Again, the major point is that this dead ball action does not come close to rising to the level of an ejection!

The second clip is in follow up to lasts weeks video. This is another example of a swinging elbow with contact above the shoulders. This action was correctly ruled an intentional foul. Mechanically, this is an excellent example of the expectation for ruling on this type of action. Well done by this veteran crew!

TIME-OUT REQUESTS

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- B. Yes; only Team B
- C. Yes; either team
- D. No

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THROW-IN SPOTS

7.5.7(D): Team A scores a field goal. B1 picks up the ball and steps out of bounds at the end line to prepare for a throw-in. Before the throw-in is completed, A2 commits an intentional (or flagrant) foul on B3 near the end line. Who shoots the free throws? Where is the ball to be put back in play at? Does Team B get to move along the baseline?

- A. Team B may choose who shoots the free throws. Team B may move along the baseline.
- B. Player B3 would shoot the free throws. Team B will have a designated spot throw in closest to the spot of the foul.
- C. B3 would shoot the free throws. Ball is put in play at the division line, opposite the table where Team B will have a designated spot throw-in.
- D. B3 would shoot the free throws. Team B may move along the baseline.

DETERMINING THROW-IN SPOT

7.5.2(B): A1 is awarded two free throws and makes the first one. A2 violates on A1's second attempt and Team B is awarded the ball for a throw-in. Can the thrower of Team B move along the end line?

- A. Yes. He may move along the end line just as if the free throw was made.
- B. No. The throw-in must be from a designated spot.

LANE SPACE REGULATIONS

8.1.4(A): A1 is at the free-throw line for the first attempt of a bonus situation. Two Team B players occupy the first marked lane spaces. The offense chooses not to occupy any marked free-throw lane spaces. Two more Team B players choose to occupy the second marked lane spaces. Is this a violation?

- A. No, this is not a violation. Four defensive players are permitted in any of the first three vacant marked free-throw lane spaces.
- B. Yes, this is a violation. The defense must only occupy the first and third lane spaces, even if the offense vacates the second marked lane space. If the shot is made, ignore the violation; if the shot is missed, award the free-throw again with the players in their correctly marked lane spaces.

Answers: **Q1-C; Q2-A; Q3-B; Q4-B; Q5-A**