



2011-12 BASKETBALL RULES CHANGES

- 1-3-1** The center restraining circle specifications were changed to permit a minimum of a ¼-inch-wide single line but a line no wider than 2-inches to designate the outer edge of the circle. Contrasting colored-floor areas are still permissible.
Rationale: Many existing courts already have a center circle that has a single ¼ - inch line. A mathematical line between two solid colors is also permitted in Table 1-1, Supplement to the Basketball Court, No. 3. This change provides consistency in the rule.
- 3-5-3
New** The specifications regarding arm compression sleeves were changed to require the item to be white, black, beige or a single solid school color, be the same color for each team member and have only a single manufacturer's logo that does not exceed 2 ¼ square inches. Arm compression sleeves must still be worn for medical purposes.
Rationale: Under the previous rule, arm compression sleeves had no logo restrictions, could have been multiple colors and teammates could have worn different colors. This rules change provides clarification and makes enforcement more consistent for officials.
- 4-12-1,
4-12-2 &
4-12-6** Several definitions were changed to reflect that team control will now exist during a throw-in when the thrower-in has the ball at his/her disposal. The change primarily affects how foul penalties will be administered.
Rationale: By changing the definition of player and team control to include a throw-in, greater consistency in the penalty for a common foul is achieved. As the previous rule was written, because there was no team control during a throw-in, the penalty for a common foul committed by the throw-in team after the throw-in had begun resulted in free throws if the offended team was in the bonus. This was not consistent with the penalty for a team-control foul. This rules change will result in greater consistency in the penalties for common fouls, eliminate confusion on rule application and speed up the contest by eliminating the delay inherent with administering free throws.

2011-12 MAJOR EDITORIAL CHANGES

- 1-11-2, 3** Updated specifications were added to the basket-ring rules. A note was also added recommending that basket rings be inspected for rules compliance.
Rationale: The changes will more accurately describe the products used in the marketplace and encourage some type of equipment inspection.
- 2-2-4
New Note** A note was added clarifying the administrative responsibilities of game officials through the completion of required reports.
Rationale: The administrative duties for game officials needed to be extended after