

# 2014/15 Basketball Bulletin I

## Rules, Revisions, and Interpretations



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<p align="center"><b><u>EQUIPMENT, APPAREL</u></b> <b><u>RULE (3-5)</u></b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>CONTACT RULE</u></b> <b><u>(10-6-12)</u></b></p>
<p>Wrist bands and head bands do not have to be the same color as sleeves and/or tights. The team and coach could choose to wear white wrist and head bands while wearing black sleeves/tights. A wrist band is not to be considered a sleeve.</p> <p><b>SITUATION:</b> Prior to the start of the game, an official notices that several Team A members are wearing: (a) white wristbands and white headbands, black arm sleeves and black leg sleeves; or (b) black leg sleeves and white headbands without wristbands.</p> <p><b>RULING:</b> Legal in (a) and (b).</p> <p>Headbands and wristbands shall be white, black, beige or predominant color of the uniform and shall be the same color for each item and all participants.</p> <p>The sleeves/tights shall be black, white, beige or the predominant color of the uniform and the same color sleeves/tights shall be worn by teammates.</p> <p>Coaches must decide which permissible color shall be worn by the team for headbands/wristbands and which permissible color shall be worn for sleeves/tights.</p>	<p>There is no time or distance limitation between touches on a ball handler/dribbler. When an individual defender contacts the ball handler/dribbler more than once with the same or alternating hands, it is a foul. A player becomes a "new" ball handler/dribbler on receiving the ball, and ceases to be a ball handler/dribbler when they are no longer in player control of the ball.</p> <p><b>SITUATION:</b> A1 receives a throw-in pass in the back court and begins to dribble. B1 contacts A1 with a touch to the hip. A1 dribbles up the floor across half court. B1 contacts A1 again with a hand.</p> <p><b>RULING:</b> Foul on B1.</p> <p>Time, distance, displacement and advantage/disadvantage are not a consideration on this play. A personal foul shall be called any time this type of contact occurs on a player holding or dribbling the ball.</p> <p>The signal for a hand check is unchanged. The signal for an arm bar is illegal use of the hands.</p>

**SWITCHES IN THE BACK COURT**

In order to promote consistency statewide, officials are to follow the NFHS Officials' Manual pages 72-75 regarding switches effective this season. Lead calling a foul in the backcourt going to the front court with no free throws will go to the reporting box and remain table side. Please review Officials' Manual diagrams 3-24 through 3-39 for a full explanation of each switching scenario for three person crews.

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