

Good morning!

Take a look at today's clip [here](#).

What did you see? What did you think? What COULD have been done better by the L on this play?

Lead has a foul, no issue or questioning of that. He rotates for a purposed and appropriately. The entry post pass results in a foul and he watches the ball to see if it goes in. Good hoop and one right?! Ummmm.....just kidding, NO SHOT!

What would have helped communication wise from the calling official here is:

- 1) Blow the whistle with a fist so everyone knows it is a foul



- 2) Wave off the shot immediately (signal #15) and say confidently "NO SHOT, NO SHOT"
- 3) Give the preliminary foul signal (hit, push, etc)
- 4) Point to the OOB spot
- 5) Go to the table and report the foul (it would not hurt to say 'NO GOAL' or 'NO SHOT' first at the table also just to make sure they know)

In this particular play, the calling official looking up to 'see if the ball went in' lead most of us to believe that he was going to count the goal if it went in. If he had waved it off immediately, that would not have been in question and we all would have clearly known what was next. (We MAY have questioned if it should have counted or not, but that is for another day!)

Be confident in your whistles and your mechanics.....'sell the call' if it needs to be sold!

Wednesday Extra: Answer coaches questions, no need to reply to most statements. A foul is communicated by your mechanics, an explanation to a player or coach may be helpful occasionally, but not repeatedly.....avoid explanations that 1) are not asked for, or 2) asked for on every call.

Have a great game tonight and be safe on the roads!

Tim