

Good morning!

Hope the weekend was a relaxing one and we are all ready for a busy week of games before Christmas week!

Take a look at a play involving a loose ball [HERE](#).

When the loose ball occurs and black attempts to pick the ball up and may have been on the floor with it. Black then attempts to take the ball from black. A foul on white is *correctly* called.

White 'piled on' to black while he was on the floor. Loose ball plays can have piling on and should not be permitted. The easiest way to think about plays like this is to envision them vertically (standing up) instead of horizontally (on the floor). If black had contacted white while they were standing up as he did while on the floor, an easy foul would be assessed. The same needs to be assessed on the floor also. I would consider a 'push' instead of a 'hold' but a foul *was* appropriately called.

Next game when a loose ball occurs, try to see the play vertically and adjudicate it appropriately!

Monday extra: PLEASE take care of illegal fashion police issues...especially the compression shorts or whatever they are that extend below the shorts and are printed or a flowered or rainbow colors. If we can see them when they run, they need pulled up OR the shorts unrolled so the compression shorts are covered.

Have a great game tonight!

Tim