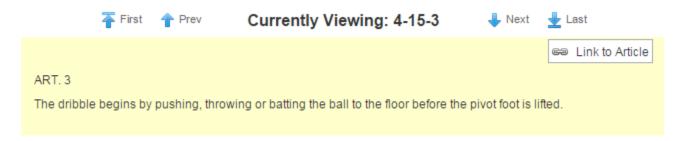
Good morning!

Hope all games over the weekend went well for you.....

Today's tip focuses on what a player may do when they leave the floor to presumably attempt a shot. We have all seen it....the player goes up for a shot and will most likely get the shot blocked so doesn't shoot.....what may the ball handler do? Pass? Dribble? Either? Neither?



Take a look at today's clip.

Any idea why official(s) might not have gotten the travel on this play? Doesn't it appear to be an obvious travel from this angle? The T on this play certainly thinks the three point shot is going up as he has the prelim for it...as we all have done. The shooter's back is to the T as well and the ball appears blocked from sight for him. It does not appear from this camera angle that the defender could have been thought to have hit the ball, but we do not know what the T saw for sure.....and the T also is moving to get angles on this play. The issue on this play is what the trail SAW on the play. We have to assume that since he signaled a prelim three that he saw the ball handler control the ball leaving the floor. The issue is whether he SAW what happened as the ball handler went into the air. Did he stay with the play and the shooter's body blocked his line of sight? Did he think the shooter lost control (fumbled) the ball as he started to shoot? Did he just miss the call? We all have been stuck in a play such as this.

Make sure we all get good angles and work hard these last two weeks.....the good teams have a ton to play for and deserve our best...the bad teams are still playing games and have a variety of reasons they are playing....they deserve our best as well and some of these games are tougher than the 'good' games. Work HARD these last two weeks and move to improve your angles on plays.

Have a great game today.

Tim