

Good morning!

More positioning. This happens to be a 3-person game and we have a made goal by white, so black takes the ball OOB. Focus on the C and his positioning when you watch the clip [HERE](#). (Thanks Scott Walters for this clip)

First, after the made goal, the C does not bail out and rush up court. He pauses and slowly goes to the other end with the players since there is pressure in the back court. He is also observing everything in a cone or 'V' across the court to the far sideline in case anything happens. Then, BOOM, we have an illegal screen that he clearly sees and gets right away. The way he 'sold' the play helped to make sure that nothing else happened between the players/teams as well.

C should *always* pause after a made goal at the spot before starting upcourt. The C should make sure to look for that next matchup/crash/screen that could happen. Until the ball settles in the front court, bad things can happen and making sure to focus on that cone/'V' is great work by the C. In this clip, the screener blew up the defender and it was seen and called. Great crew work here!

In a 2-person game, the new L and new T have a really challenging situation here since the 10 players are 'stretched out' basically from endline to endline. New L has 4 players deep and needs to not let those players get behind and out of sight. In a 2-person game, the new T would hopefully be a step in front of the ball handler just for situations like this and to see any reaching in on the ball handler by a defender. This would most likely be called from the new T but can certainly get help from new L if needed.

Wednesday extra: This was emailed to me and I 100% agree...it is OUR responsibility to check BOTH books. (Thanks Rick!)

I JUST WANTED TO PASS ALONG A SITUATION THAT I SAW AT A GAME THIS PAST WEEKEND. IN THE 2ND QUARTER PLAY IS STOPPED FOR 10 MINUTES AN ADMINISTRATIVE TECH IS CALLED BECAUSE THE SCORER DIDN'T HAVE NUMBER 23 IN THE BOOK. THIS COULD HAVE ALL BEEN PREVENTED IF BOTH BOOKS WERE COMPARED AGAINST EACH OTHER BEFORE THE GAME STARTED. THE REF'S RESPONSIBILITY SHOULD BE TO ASK THE SCORERS IF THEY HAVE COMPARED BOOKS OR THE REF CAN TAKE ON THE CHORE THEMSELVES. THE R ALLOWED THE DISPUTE WHEN IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN CUT AND DRIED.

Wednesday bonus: Today is the last day to pay your 2025-26 PIAA dues at the discounted rate!

Have a great game tonight!

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