

Good morning!!

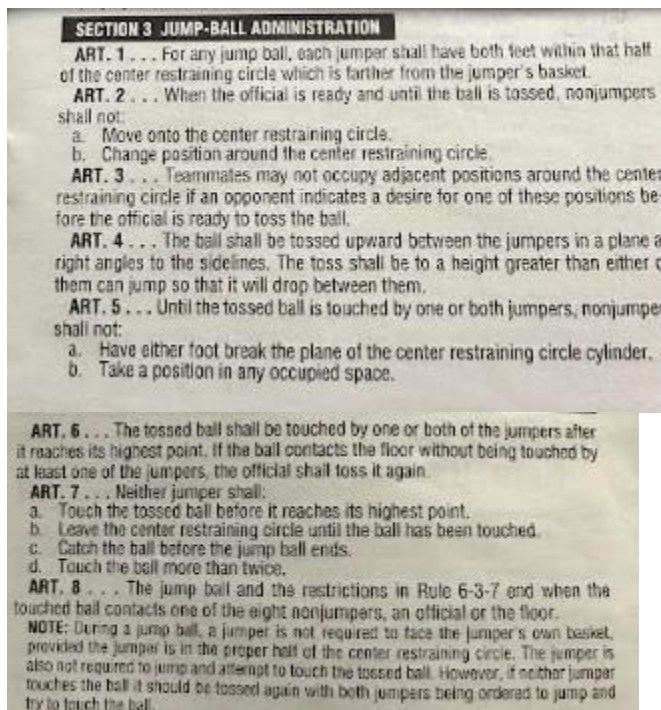
Welcome to the Tip of the Day 2024-25!

I am sure many of us have worked scrimmages and games since the first official play date was Friday, November 29 but there are a ton of 'tipoff' tournaments this weekend. Hope the rust is off and you are excited for the season to really amp up (if the weather cooperates – especially here in NW PA – better than the first 4 play dates!).

Remember to take time to thank your mentor(s), there are definitely colleagues who deserve our thanks. Also, thanks is deserving to all of the officials not working this year for whatever reason. THANK YOU! Welcome back to those who took a year or part of the year off! Hope everyone is healthy and ready to fo!

Our opening clip for the year may as well start with the opening jump. Take a look [here!](#)

Here is the rule 6-3 Jump Ball Administration



Do we have any issues under NFHS rules for this jump ball? YES!!! White 4 has several issues. First, she puts a foot in front of black 10, which is illegal since players are not permitted to move into an occupied space, then moves it away. The U2 has responsibility for the 8 non-jumpers. U2 should blow the whistle and step in and tell white 4 she cannot put the foot in front of black 10 before the toss. Next, white 4 moves in front of black 4 *before* the ball is tossed. Article 2 does not permit movement *onto* (towards) the circle before the ball is tossed. THIS is a violation. If U2 calls this violation, black would get the

ball to start the game and white gets the arrow. The throw-in spot in this case would be a backcourt throw-in for black since white violated in black's backcourt. The throw-in would be at the nearest spot of the violation, which in this case would be opposite the table about 3 feet into the backcourt. (IF the violation had been in blacks FRONT court, we would administer the throw-in at the nearest of the 4 throw-in spots according to the resumption of play procedures outlined in 7-5-3). TALK if needed to get it all right!

Many officials (I used to be one of them) went in to toss the ball and said something like 'hold your spot' or 'don't move' when that is incorrect. Players CAN move under the right circumstances. Players starting ON (feet relatively close) to the center circle *may move away from the circle on the toss*, but players starting away from the center jump circle (three feet away?) *may not move onto the center jump circle*.

Thursday Extra: Work on ONE part of your game each game. Trying to do too many things doesn't work well! Think about/ask your partners in the pregame what you/they are working on tonight!

Hope the season has started well and you have a great weekend of games!

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