

Good morning!

Take a look [here](#) for a play. Legal in our rules set? NO.....players are not permitted to leave the court for an unauthorized reason. In this particular play, the offensive player uses a screen and runs out-of-bounds use the screen and receives the ball for a good look at the goal. This is a violation. It would also be the same if the *defender* ran OOB to avoid a screen.....violation on the defender. The penalty if a throw-in to the offended team nearest the spot of the violation. Note: This used to be deemed a technical foul but was changed to a violation since the technical foul penalty was determined to be too severe. See the rule and case plays below. In addition, there is no 'signal' in our game specific to this violation, so we must definitely verbalize what happened. Make sure your partner(s) knows what happened!(The 'signal' given by the official in the clip seems to help explain what happened as well, although we have no approved signal for it.)

Rule 9-3-3

**ART. 3**

A player shall not leave the court for an unauthorized reason.

**PENALTY:** (Section 3) The ball is dead when the violation occurs and is awarded to the opponents for a throw-in from the designated out-of-bounds spot nearest the violation. (See 6-7-9 EXCEPTION d)

Case plays

**9.3.3 SITUATION B:**

A1 and A2 set a double screen near the end line. A3 intentionally goes out of bounds outside the end line to have his/her defender detained by the double screen.

**RULING:** The official shall call a violation on A3 as soon as he/she steps out of bounds. The ball is awarded to Team B at a designated spot nearest to where the violation occurred.

**9.3.3 SITUATION C:**

A1 and A2 set a double screen near the end line. B3 intentionally goes out of bounds outside the end line to avoid being detained by A1 and A2. Just as B3 goes out of bounds, A3's try is in flight.

**RULING:** B3 is called for a leaving-the-floor violation. Team A will receive the ball out of bounds at a spot nearest to where the violation occurred. Since the violation is on the defense, the ball does not become dead until the try has ended. If the try is successful, it will count. (6-7-9 EXCEPTION d)

Have a great game tonight and safe travels! Don't forget your vitamin C!

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