Good morning!

Intentional fouls......we know them when we see them.....usually, right?

Take a look at the intentional foul called in this clip and the reaction of each of the three officials also. The clip is <u>here</u>.

First.....was it an intentional foul? ABSOLUTELY.....we have at least windup and contact.....he basically grabbed the ball handler and hugged him.

Second, the calling official closed to the play immediately. He had an intentional foul but it is more important to get to the players in case something further may happen and by him getting there helped prevent it.

Third, BOTH partners realized the urgency of the situation and were closing to the play in case anything happened. After the foul and when shooting free throws we can see that we have an official at mid court monitoring players and one administering free throws. This crew was 'taking care of business' and not allowing the players to do something dumb after the foul or during the free throws. In a 2-person game the T can move back towards mid court to monitor the players if needed....and the L can handle everything with the free throws.

If there is anything we could look to improve on, I would ask why C had a whistle??? This is 100% lead's call since L has nothing else to look at than the breakaway ball handler and dribbler. The C can always come in late if L has a brain cramp!

Tuesday Extra: Make sure to look at and make eye contact with *the official scorer* – *the person in the stripes!* The timer is NOT who fouls and TO's are to be reported to!

Have a great game tonight!

Tim