

Good morning!

Hope you had a great weekend and will have a relaxing and enjoyable next couple days.

I have two clips for today that are for the same topic. The case play for both is:

***7.1.1 SITUATION B:**

A1 blocks a pass near the end line. The ball falls to the floor inbounds, but A1, who is off balance, steps off the court. A1 returns inbounds, secures control of the ball and dribbles.

RULING: Legal. A1 did not leave the court voluntarily and did not have control of the ball when he/she did. This situation is similar to one in which A1 makes a try from under the basket and momentum carries A1 off the court. If the try is unsuccessful, A1 may come back onto the court and regain control since A1 did not leave the court voluntarily and did not have control of the ball when he/she did. (4-15-3, 4-15-4)

For the clips that follow, let's look at them as if the ball in clip 1 did NOT hit the line (I don't think it did anyhow). The clips are at [clip 1](#) and [clip 2](#).

These are rules that nearly no coach or fan understands. All that a player whose momentum carries him/herself OOB and back in has to do is 're-establish' inbounds.....one foot down before touching the ball. Both of these plays are legal actions by the ball handler. In clip 2, the momentum that carries her OOB is 'slow' but she did NOT just drop the ball inbounds and steps OOB on purpose....she would have just started dribbling if she had been off balance and went OOB.

Don't get caught off guard by a play like this! These are great hustle plays!

Monday Extra: "Raking on the Rebound" definition.....a defensive player gets a rebound and a member of the team who just shot the ball and missed reaches in to try to get the ball loose.....in my game this is a FOUL...every time it happens. If we allow it from the start, it will happen all game long. I do not want to adjudicate this at the end of the game. If a defender gets a rebound, let's start up the floor! No reaching in! This is a pre-game topic that needs covered....'How are we calling this tonight?'

Have a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Happy Hanukah, Happy New Year and safe travels to relatives and games!

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