

Good morning! Not liking the groundhog at all about now.....and maybe less tomorrow.....UGH!

OK.....same clip as yesterday.....[here](#) it is again. Remember yesterday we talked about three-tenths or less on the clock. If that is the case, a player cannot legally catch the ball and shoot, it must be a tap. BTW, they DID count this as a legal score on this play....

So take a look at lead on this throw-in. A couple things that we should/CAN ALWAYS DO to help us LOOK good are crisp mechanics and doing the 'little things' right. We should NEVER bounce the ball to the thrower-in on the baseline. We are supposed to on the sidelines and endline, but NOT the baseline. Secondly, the chop of the clock by L is almost non-existent. He DOES drop his arm, but there is no real visible 'chop'. This is required to be done and even more critical in a play where timing is so important. Think about it, when does the clock start when the arm is just dropped, not 'chopped'? Mechanics get you noticed as an official.....poor mechanics get you noticed also, just not for the right reasons.

If you haven't thought about some of the 'little things' lately, do that the next few games and help that evaluation in the playoffs.....and if you are not working playoffs, help yourself get noticed by that varsity official or assigner who is at the game or watching film. Remember, there are eyes in every gym, every game!

Be safe of those roads and have a great game tonight!

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