Good morning!

Today's clip is a great discussion play! Take a look here at the entry pass to the post and the collision.

So what do you have? PC, block, or an OOB as was ruled here?

Remember we must *officiate the defense*. What, if anything, did the defender do wrong? NOTHING! The defender does not need to give any time or distance when the offensive player receives the ball. This means that there can NOT be a BLOCK.

So is this a PC or an OOB? The answer to this question can partly be answered by what type of game we have had up to this point in the game. Has this game been a post play game? Has it been extremely physical? Have we had similar plays so far – and if so, what was called? Has the foul count been lopsided in favor of white?

That last question MAY not matter, but COULD this play be a no foul call? COULD we just go OOB since white would get the ball anyhow?

There is more to the ruling on this play that looking at it without context of the game so far. No doubt some of us would argue for a PC and some for an OOB. Regardless, we must be able to explain a PC call to the coach of red, and be able to explain NO PC call to the coach of white. Remember that film does not lie!

Tuesday Extra: ASK the coach for film! Nearly every coach that I have asked for it has given it to me. They actually appreciate officials who want and ask for film!

Tuesday Bonus Extra: A fellow official replied yesterday that at the free throw line as he was administering, a player says complains about the fouls being called and adds 'and we are at HOME' and when questioned, said he was talking to his teammates! The official replied 'I am talking to ALL of you, I am the only person that MUST be here until the end of the game so watch what you say.' He said there were zero comments or complaints the rest of the game. Sometimes a simple 'reminder' is all it takes.

Have a great game tonight!

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