

Good morning!

This week has seemed like it has lasted TWO weeks so far.....I think this is the third Tuesday of the week.....

So pull up jump shooters in the paint.....sometimes it is TOUGH to get a look at defender's hands. Here is a pic and zooming in.....



Pull up jump shots around the elbow/free throw line are TOUGH to officiate! What makes it worse is that coaches are *teaching* defenders to bump or graze the elbow of these jump shooters as they raise their hand up to defend. This is VERY tough to see many times. Like these pics show, the official shown (he is at C and the shooter at the nearest elbow to him), cannot SEE the foul. This means that L or T must help. The L probably has the best look and hopefully can see through to this shooter/defender.

In a two-person game this is MAYBE easier. The pull-up jump shot in the paint is L's PCA and should be looking at this to begin with.....work hard to SEE what happens!

Protecting jump shooters and transition pull-up jump shooting is worth the definite mention in a pregame conference. We must protect shooters from these types of fouls as well as letting shooters land, etc. Take a look at pull up jump shooters in your next game a little harder!

Wednesday (Third Tuesday this week) Extra: With all the rescheduled games and changes of crews, MAKE SURE to confirm game sites and times with your partner(s)....and GET a reply back! NO reply is the same as no contact at all.....CALL....text...email.....make sure to communicate! NO EXCUSES!

Have a great game tonight!

Tim