Good morning!

Freedom of movement....this has been a 'movement', change in philosophy, POE at nearly every level od basketball for the past decade or so. Rules have changed to address freedom of movement both with and without the ball.

Take a look at a good freedom of movement clip <u>here</u>.

The offensive player starting at C's corner and attempting to go across the paint is obviously being held. Call it a hold, chipping the cutter, or call it something else, it is a FOUL!

C had 2 matchups in his primary. The one on the wing was doing nothing as both players were basically standing and watching. The matchup in the corner was competitive and was easily able to be officiated. This was a good get from C.

This play is much easier in a 3-person game than a 2-person game when L is on the opposite side of the paint than where the freedom of movement begins. If L would have been on the side this originated, L has a good look. In the 2-person game when L is opposite from where it originated, hopefully L sees the matchup coming and gets the foul as it enters the paint.

Freedom of movement is a play that deserves mentioning in every pre-game conference.

Tuesday Extra: PIAA dues at the discounted rate are due January 15. Don't forget, login and pay them!

Tuesday Bonus: With the PIAA Officials Appreciation Week happening, THANK YOU for all you do for the betterment of the game!

Have a great game tonight!

Tim