

Good morning!

Hope all went well last evening!

Today's clip is primarily a three-person rotation clip. Even primarily two-person officials can learn from it. Take a look at it [here](#).

So on this play, the ball goes to C's side then down to the wing and L is patient and then rotates once the bigs in the paint go to the low block and a pass in may be imminent. Very good job by L. The pass DOES come into the low block and it appears the offensive player cannot handle it. It also appears that the offensive player makes a body movement that isn't normal when jumping to catch a pass! T cannot SEE what happened and L is also straightlined. C has a great look through the paint and can see THROUGH the offensive and defensive players at the low block. This means that he can see the slight space between the defender and offensive player and what happens with hands, etc. The T and L do not have this luxury based on their angles. The L MAY have been able to get wide to get a look 'between' these players but had just rotated and paused appropriately. The C most likely was not 'staring' at these players, but when the entry pass was made, let his eyes see the play through the paint and got the foul when the defender pushed the offensive player in the back. Great crew work here!

In a two-person game, the L would not be rotating, so let's say the L was already on the side with the ball and low block matchup. The L SHOULD be wide already to see the play at the wing and should be able to see the push on the entry pass. If the L was on the opposite side, the T has the wing player and the L would have to officiate the entry pass. This COULD be tough if L isn't anticipating the play! Anticipate the play, not the call! If we anticipate what might happen, we are more prepared and ready for what DOES happen in many cases!

Wednesday Extra: The toss on the jump ball.....PRACTICE IT!!!! If you struggle with it, pass it off to a partner willing to toss! Also, the official tossing the ball should blow the whistle, drop the whistle from the mouth and then toss the ball. Getting smacked in the chops or the whistle by a jumper's elbow only takes once!

Have a great game tonight!

Tim