

Good morning, Hope you had safe travels last night.

Take a look at the clip [here](#).

Double whistles are going to happen, period. Some are definitely avoidable and some aren't. In the play in the clip, because both the L and C had a whistle AND a preliminary, it is impossible to know what they discussed in their pre-game conference about plays in transition OR drives coming from C. THIS is certainly important in avoiding double whistles.

So you HAVE a double whistle.....now what? In the best of our world, neither official gives an immediate preliminary and *nearly* as good is if only one official gives a preliminary. In either case, nobody knows what the non-preliminary-signaling official has! A problem arises when both officials have a prelim and they are different. In the case in the clip, they really needed to have a double foul since it was seen that they signaled different fouls.

As many of us are hoping for the phone to keep ringing this time of year, we need to make sure that we are preparing in a pre-game conference appropriately and talking about trusting our partners.....who has a call in transition.....who takes drives from C..... Don't leave anything out when preparing for a game. These games are most likely live and die for teams this time of year and can effect whether they move on or not and who they will play if they do.

Even when working with partners you do over and over during the regular season, have a strong pre-game conference.....it gets everyone in the correct frame of mind!

Thursday Extra: With playoff brackets out and assignments happening, please make sure to keep the assigner of these games up-to-date with your closed/blocked dates! Make sure to let that significant other know you still remember who they are and that you miss them on this Valentine's Day!

Have a great game tonight and safe travels!

Tim