

Good morning!

Welcome to the 2025-26 Tip of the day!

First off, do not forget to thank a few people for ‘allowing’ you to be an official...your significant other, your family and that special mentor you have. We are able to do what we do because they have or are helping us!

Flopping (faking being fouled) is a POE (point of emphasis) for 2025-26. Take a look at a faking being fouled clip [here](#) (thanks Craig Bradley for this clip). The official here did a *fantastic* job with the correct mechanic on seeing the defender fake being fouled, withholding the whistle until the appropriate time, then sounding the whistle and reporting the first occurrence of faking being fouled to the table for the scorers to record in the book. The scorers should be instructed to ‘write in the margin that a faking being fouled warning on 23 white occurred at 3:53 of the 3rd period.’ The NEXT occurrence of a faking being fouled on *any* player for white results in a technical foul.

PLEASE review the faking being fouled procedures to know when to blow the whistle in any case on page 6 of the rules book. All scenarios are presented here.

Tip-off Friday extra: Ask your partners what one part of their game they are working on in your game tonight and tell them the one you are working on. It helps us all when we talk about areas we would like to improve!

Have a great game tonight!