

Good morning!

The final Friday of the regular season...it's been a long season, it's been a quick season. It really has been both!

Taking care of business...as one of my themes this year has been, we are the 'guardians of sportsmanship.' Take a look at a play [here](#).

This type of play may be the most dangerous play in our game...a two-handed push in the back on a break-away layup. At the very least, this is intentional...at the most it is flagrant. My opinion is that this is an easy flagrant foul for the danger involved.

Sometimes when talking about plays like this with friends or at a chapter meeting, the comment to the effect of 'I didn't want to penalize him that bad' comes up. We cannot look at it as OUR penalty. The PLAYER created the penalty. I would also argue that both coaches involved in a play like this would agree that the play is dangerous and flagrant if it happened in another game they were watching. We don't want to 'look for' chances to assess flagrant fouls, but we need to 'know it when we see it' and penalize accordingly.

Friday Extra: Remember that with :00.3 or less on the clock for a throw-in, a player may NOT catch the ball and shoot. As soon as the ball is caught, there can NOT be a score!

Friday Bonus: I hope that everyone working playoffs has a great run and works well into March! Hope to see some at the finals in March...would be great to put more names and faces together! Our seats are in section 120, row T seats 1-5! Stop over and say hello. All that being said, I hope the TOTD has been thought provoking and generated discussion with friends! Stay well and for anyone who may be working their last game tonight or in the next month or so, THANK YOU for all you've given to this great avocation!

Have a GREAT game tonight!

Tim