

Sunday December 13, 2015 Clinic Review Notes

Tests and answer keys were handed out. Results were;
29 members got them all correct on the Rules Exam
22 got 1 wrong. Average missed was 2.56 questions
56 members got them all correct on the Manual Exam
23 got 1 wrong. Average missed was 1.21 questions
23 members got them all correct on both exams.

Most missed questions on the Rules Exam in order missed were; (More than 10 missed question)

#47, #35, #43, #27, #4, #19, #32, #16, #17, #28, & #29

Most missed on the Manual Exam (More than 10 missed question)

#21, #12, #1 & #4

Rule Reference for question #4 on Rules Exam should be 4.15.5 not what is listed.

Rules and situation comments;

- Regarding the Umpire leaving the pre-game conference with coaches and captains. It is recommended that the Umpire stand facing the table then after being introduced can back out of the huddle and go cross court to observe teams. One possible reason for this change is due to officials taking too long in the pre-game meeting, thus taking officials away from observing teams for too long a period. The pre-game meeting is not to be a clinic. Introductions, asking the 3 required questions and finish.

Make sure to count players when returning from a time-out, intermission or mass substitutions. The situation in question #55 of the Refresher Exam involves mass substitutions, and one player goes to the bench thinking they are substituted for, then runs onto the floor once the ball is live. Unless this results in an advantage/hide-out play, then there is no penalty. This is different than a team only returning 4 players to the court after a time-out or intermission. If a 5th player runs onto the court in this situation, after the ball becomes live, then this would result in a technical foul. Counting players would solve both of these problems !

Contact above the shoulders, by swinging elbows, must be ruled an intentional personal foul if the ball is live. It could be a flagrant foul if excessive.

Identifying the free throw shooter is still one of our biggest shortfalls regarding mechanics. We must do this. Partners, remind your fellow officials if they are not doing this.

- Bench personnel **may** stand during a 30 second time-out. Players **my not** sit during a 30 second time-out. The only timed period that bench personnel cannot stand is during a 20 second interval of time to replace an injured or disqualified

player. Do not allow bench personnel to stand and clap continuously near the end of the game.

- A player may wear a face guard to protect a broken nose.
- If a player is ejected, they are relegated to the bench, they cannot stand and they cannot participate in team huddles during time-outs or intermissions.
- To be considered a knee brace, it does not have to contain metal supports. Some knee braces have Velcro straps to add support.
- Assistant coaches may not go to the scorer's table to get information. This can only be done by managers, statisticians or team attendants.
- There must be player control to be granted a time-out. For both teams to be eligible to call a time-out the ball cannot be at the disposal of one team. A player in control but sliding due to momentum is allowed to call a time-out.
- Sub-varsity officials, be sure to check the air in the ball before your games. Varsity officials say they are being handed balls that are underinflated.
- Lane violations by the opponents of the free thrower involving crossing the foul line before the ball hits the rim or backboard can result in several different rulings.
 1. Opponent along the lane crossing foul line before the ball hits the rim/backboard is a delayed violation resulting in a substitute free throw if missed.
 2. Opponent along the lane crossing foul line before the ball hits the rim/backboard and contacting the free thrower is a delayed violation and a foul on the opponent. Result, substitute free throw if missed with lane cleared, then penalize the foul and award free throws or throw-in depending on the bonus situation.(Refresher question #74)
 3. Opponent gets into the lane legally, puts a rear end into the foul shooter but does not break the plane of the foul line with their foot, Foul on opponent, free throws or throw-in depending on bonus situation.
 4. Opponent gets into lane legally, gets rear end across plane of foul line but does not make contact with foul shooter and does not break the plane of the foul line with their foot. Legal play.
- We have a lot of responsibility during free throw coverage. We need to be alert and monitor all players we are responsible for. Make sure rough play does not develop. In three person crews, the Trail should be responsible for players outside the three point arc and all officials should be cognizant of improper alignments.
- The Trail official is way too deep towards the division line in many games observed. Think about being as deep as the deepest players then be sure to step down towards the endline to cover rebounding. Do not back up on the shot!

- Time yourself periodically when not officiating on your 5 & 10 second counts. We need to be consistent and close to accurate.

- If court set-up has one bench area closer to the table than the other that is not anything we deal with. That is management's responsibility and is how the court is set up. The only way that we would have a concern is if one team was put on one side of the court and the other team was place across the court.

- Be sure to submit all technical fouls as soon as possible after the game.

- The Camden High School scorer wears a gray/black shirt, like ours, which is OK for this year.

- Be sure to check out the Video Play of the Week that is sent out by IAABO every Monday.

Please continue to submit to the Interpreter any unusual situations or questions on rulings that you may have. Plus, make sure to let the Interpreter know of any court marking concerns or scorers that do not wear the black & white shirt.