

RESEARCH PROBLEMS WITH 12 FOOT BASKET

The possible effect of roughness and interference under the basket. Will the basket tend to open up the play around the basket and increase the crowding, blocking and incident fouling that inevitably occurs?

Fatigue effects upon the players as a result of the higher basket.

Is it possible for any of the players to score a tip-in with a 12 ft. basket, and from what area out in front of the basket are most of the tries for goal? This refers to location and distance.

Are the reach-ups and the lay-ins largely obliterated under a 12 ft. basket?

Is the height of the taller man reduced more definitely under a 12 ft. basket than under a 10 ft. basket?

Is the disadvantage to the shorter man more pronounced or reduced under a 12 ft. basket?

Is the taller man required to make a shot in the same way a shorter man found necessary to shoot?

On rebound does the taller man now have more of an advantage or a lesser advantage in obtaining the rebounds?

Does the fact that the goals are higher give the taller man more advantage or does it permit the shorter man to drive in and recover miss-shots that fall in the field of play, or does the taller man still have the greater advantage proportionately?

Would the shorter man have time to recover after jumping and then spring again for the ball?

Under the 12 ft. basket does the exceptionally tall player lose his position because he is forced now to move from his set position that he obtained under a 10 ft. basket?

Observe the effect on the set-up or lay-in shot with the higher basket.

With the 12 ft. basket are players able to control their shots when coming toward the basket at a rapid rate of speed?

With the higher basket are there more set shots further out on the court?

Are longer shots equally as easy to make with a 12 ft. basket as with a 10 ft. basket?

Does the higher basket induce less passing and more long shooting?

From the standpoint of roughness, is there less contact under a higher goal?

In regard to fatigue, this is rather difficult to measure, but obtain any information regarding complaints of fatigue from the players. Naturally, at the beginning of the experiment of shooting at a 12 ft. basket there will be complaints of the wrist and forearm muscles being overworked, but as the play continues from week to week doubtless this criticism will be lessened.