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# NATIONAL BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

## of the UNITED STATES AND CANADA

### 1938 ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire is sent annually to representative basketball men in order that their views may be presented at the annual meeting of the National Committee. The Committee will be grateful if you will check these answers and RETURN THE QUESTIONNAIRE PROMPTLY to.....

The Committee Member or State Athletic Officer whose name appears above will send all replies received up to March 21st to H. V. Porter, 11 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

#### PART I. Concerning rule changes made last spring:

NOTE: Vote yes or no on general principle involved. Suggestions for slight modifications may be made in Part III or on back of sheet.

1. Is game without center jump after goal satisfactory? Yes...**2598**... No...**551**.....
2. Is rule which legalized "face guarding" satisfactory? Yes...**2575**... No...**245**.....
3. Is rule which eliminated jumps near sideline satisfactory? Yes...**2820**... No...**94**.....
4. Is the "sudden death" method of deciding tie games in High School play satisfactory? Yes...**1527**... No...**1092**.....

#### PART II. Concerning General Trend of Game:

5. Is game too fast for health of players? Yes...**648**... No...**2184**.....
6. Is screening causing enough difficulty to warrant putting further restrictions on it? Yes...**352**... No...**2456**.....
7. At present offensive advantage is (1) about right...**2302** (2) too small...**358** (3) too great...**224**

#### PART III. Concerning Rules for 1938-9:

8. Would you favor having all jumps in one of the three restraining circles? Yes...**983** No...**1956**.
9. If (8) should not be adopted, should the 6 foot jump rule apply to end line as well as sideline? Yes...**2310**... No...**409**.....
10. Would you favor legalizing end lines four feet behind the backboard for those who have the space and inclination to use such markings? Yes...**1070**... No...**1799**.....

#### 11. Concerning Playing and Rest Periods:

- a. All games (college, etc.) should be in quarters. Yes...**2116** No...**678**.....
- b. Intermission between first two and last two quarters should be two minutes. Yes...**2018**... No...**775**.....

#### 12. Concerning rest period after field goals:

- a. Present rule is satisfactory. Yes...**2140**... No...**632**.....

NOTE: If answer to (a) is yes, do not check (b) below.

- b. Require official to hand ball to player at (1) end of court...**644** (2) end of division line...**109**.....

13. When a player on his knees or prostrate is in possession or control (as in diving) the ball should be blown dead as in held ball. Yes...**1235** No...**1650**

14. Center division line should be eliminated and blame for stalling be placed on team with lowest score. Yes...**705**... No...**2109**..

15. Would you favor entirely removing the three-second lane limitation? Yes...**1156** No...**1835**..

16. If any section of the rules needs improvement, give rule and section number.....

17. Reverse side may be used for comments.

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