

part of it touches the out of bounds line, the floor outside the out of bounds line, any object on or outside the out of bounds line, or when it is touched by a player who is out of bounds.

The ball is caused to go out of bounds by the last player touched by it before it crosses the line.

Section 5. The **Ball is Dead** and play shall cease until the ball is put in play again as indicated by the referee. The ball is dead when the referee's whistle sounds, except when a player interferes in any way with an opponent when a ball is tossed up between them; when held ball or time-out is declared; when either a foul or a violation is called; when the ball goes out of bounds; after each of two free throws following a double foul; at expiration of playing time.

If a player tries for a goal and the ball is in the air when the referee signals to indicate "dead ball", the goal counts, if made, except as follows: If, before the ball is in the air, a foul or violation is made by a player of the team throwing for a field goal, the goal does not count; however, if the referee declares held ball, the goal does not count even if the ball is in the air when the whistle sounds.

NOTE: If the ball touches the referee inside the boundary line, it is not dead and play continues as if the ball had not touched him.

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