

Write to schools participating in N.C.A.A.

tournament regarding a share in the net

receipts

Pres Curran Newford

Gene Sullivan

Lt. Davies Goal-ke
U of Western Ontario
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Research -

Floyd Rowe - More time out
between goals - Play put in
at end line - 5 or 10 seconds
rest ~~rest~~

Box 486
Anderson, Ind
March 20, 1940

Ball put in play at
center field. Porter
Rowe

Mr. Oswald Tower
Andover, Mass

Dear Mr. Tower:

Late in 1934, while I was coaching at Hazelgreen, Ky. I wrote Everett Dean the suggestion that a second circle at center be drawn and that players not be allowed inside this on tip-off plays. I do not know how many others suggested this but I do know it became a rule.

Now, after having watched Indiana basketball a few more years and having served as coach, league organizer, etc., as part of my job, I want to offer another suggestion which may help solve the "big man" question and also aid in determining the penalty for fouling.

I suggest that the free throw line be extended in a semi-circle until it cuts the end lines of the floor and that no pivot play be allowed inside this zone with the penalty being that the ball be taken out of bounds.

Also, that any held ball inside this zone be called for a jump at the nearest portion of the line to where the ball was held.

Third, that any foul committed inside this zone when a player was shooting or attempting to shoot a field goal have as a penalty the awarding of two free throws to the team attempting to shoot with a field goal counting if made.

The first suggestion takes care of the "big man" question and will open up play under the basket, in this way helping officials at the tight spot.

The second will eliminate "rule bfeaking" on the part of many officials and one which I saw wrongly followed more this year than ever before.

The third will help eliminate the intentional foul which has been so common in tournament play this month.

These suggestions are not made out of criticism but because of an interest developed in 32 years active participation in Hoosier basketball.

L. H. Davis
U of Western Ontario
London Canada

Very truly yours,
Edw. J. Ronsheim
Director of Recreation
Edw. J. Ronsheim

Referred to Roland Green

AGENDA
1940 BASKETBALL COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at
Hotel Continental, Kansas City, Missouri (Parlor 1612)

SATURDAY, MARCH 30th

- 9:00 A.M. Informal Conferences of Committees including Questionnaire, Research,
Game Administration and Credentials Committee.
- 10:00 A.M. Treasurer Floyd Rowe, presiding
Seating of New Members and Election of Officers
Minutes and Report of Secretary -- H. V. Porter
Report of National Basketball Coaches Association
Reports from other national or sectional organizations including
Chartered Boards, National Federation Committee and Collegiate
Officials' Committee.
Reports of Questionnaire, Research and other standing committees.
Questionnaire -- H. V. Porter
Research -- F. C. Allen
Game Administration -- Sumner A. Dole
Editorial -- Oswald Tower
- 12:30 P.M. Luncheon

- 1:30 P.M. Chairman elect, presiding
Consideration of:
Topics from Questionnaire and Research Committee Reports.
Recommendations made during first session.
Mimeographed suggestions from questionnaires and correspondence of
official interpreter and secretary.
Various sections of the rules which may need clarification.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31st

- 9:00 A.M. Chairman elect, presiding
Final action on problems held over from preceding day.
Business meeting including:
Report of Treasurer -- Floyd A. Rowe
Report of Publications Committee -- Oswald Tower
Time and Place for 1941 meeting.
Adoption of Constitution.
Foreign representation on committee.
Action on any other business matters which may be brought before the
group.
Appointment of Standing Committees.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL COMMITTEE

of the UNITED STATES AND CANADA

1940 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 16th to the Secretary of the Committee, 11 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

PART I. Concerning rule changes made last spring:

1. Any player may request a time-out. Is present rule satisfactory? Yes...**2027**No...**47**....
2. After a technical foul, the throwing team keeps possession at mid-court. Is present rule satisfactory? Yes...**1888** No...**194**
3. A captain may waive the free throw and take the ball at mid-court after a personal foul. Is present rule satisfactory? Yes...**1929** No...**155**..
4. When a player in the act of throwing is fouled from behind, two free throws are always awarded.
 - (a) Has this rule been properly enforced? Yes...**885** No...**1254**
 - (b) Has it tended to eliminate the deliberate push in the back? Yes...**1053** No...**852**.
 - (c) Is present rule satisfactory? Yes...**1561** No...**396**
5. On a free throw for personal foul, it is a violation when the ball does not go through or touch the ring before touching a player. Is present rule satisfactory? Yes...**1969**No...**58**....
6. Is the present rule on the four-foot end space satisfactory? Yes...**1871**No...**133**..

PART II. Concerning general trend of game:

7. Molded Type Ball:
 - (a) As compared with the ball with sewed seams, the molded type ball is (1) More satisfactory...**1172** (2) Equally as satisfactory...**426** (3) Less satisfactory...**333**
 - (b) The best bouncing reaction of a ball is: (1) Minimum 49"..**304** Maximum 54"..**179** Median 51" to 52"..**961**.
8. What percentage of the courts on which you play have: (1) Poor lighting.....% (2) Less than four-foot space behind backboard.....%.
9. (a) Is the present game as interesting and scientific as it was with the center jump? Yes...**1626** No...**408**..
- (b) Are criticisms valid enough to warrant consideration of reinstatement of the center jump with restrictions such as having players rotate for the jump? Yes...**359**No...**1656**
10. Do you favor encouragement of experimentation with:
 - (a) Baskets without a backboard? Yes...**432** No...**1605**
 - (b) Baskets 11 or 12 feet high? Yes...**401** No...**1640**

(c) Free throw lanes 8 feet wide?

Yes...**403** No...**1366**

PART III: Concerning rules for 1940-1:

11. Assuming that proper safeguards would be made against any sudden compulsory use of equipment whose use would involve considerable expense, do you favor permitting the optional use of:
 - (a) A flat surfaced backboard with several inches removed from the borders and with upper edge circular? Yes...**807** No...**1106**
 - (b) A convex surfaced board with shape as in (a). Yes...**359** No...**1436**
12. (Check this only if you are connected with College or Independent games). College and Independent games should be played in 10-minute quarters. Yes...**235** No...**255**.
13. Should the number of jump balls be reduced by:
 - (a) Awarding ball to the offensive team, if it is in the air on a try at the end of a quarter and is not successful. Yes...**722**No...**1183**
 - (b) By awarding ball to the team on defense, if they cause a held ball outside the lane or center restraining circle? Yes...**267**No...**1568**
14. (Check only one)
 - (a) For games played in quarters, remove restriction on number of times a player may enter during first three quarters and permit only one re-entry during the fourth quarter and during each overtime period. Yes...**300**
 - (b) In any game permit a player to re-enter three times. Yes...**537**..
 - (c) Retain present rule on re-entering. Yes...**1134**
15. Following a successful field goal or successful last free throw for personal foul:
 - (a) Start watch as soon as goal is made. Yes...**991** No...**790**..
 - (b) Remove right of either team to take charged time-out. Yes...**281**No...**1371**
 - (c) Permit substitution after any goal. Yes...**714** No...**1173**
16. Consider any foul (not flagrant) against a player who is in his back court as a technical foul. (Note that penalty for technical foul is more severe than formerly). Yes...**450**No...**1440**
17. Reduce bouncing tolerance of a ball from the present 5 inches to 3 inches. Yes...**479**No...**1150**
18. If any section of the rules needs to be clarified or amplified state which. Use reverse side for additional comments.

QUESTIONNAIRE COMMITTEE

F. C. Allen - J. Mark Good - A. F. Jefferess
H. G. Olsen - Oswald Tower - H. V. Porter, Chr.

SUMMARY 1940 BASKETBALL QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Any player may request a time-out. Is present rule satisfactory?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NC			
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		
New England States and New York	45	76	13	3	3	0		
Atlantic States (Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington D.C., West Virginia)	23	225	34	0	0	3		
Central States (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Kentucky, Missouri, Ohio, Tennessee)	94	659	13	3	12	0		
Northwest States (Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin)		282	5		3	0		
Southern States (Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas)	76	122	6	2	1	1		
Western States (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming)	104	112	5	5	3	1		
Canada	14	35	8	0	0	5		
Officials			76			2		
TOTAL:	356	1511	84	76	13	22	10	2
GRAND TOTAL:			2027					47

2. After a technical foul, the throwing team keeps possession at mid-court. Is present rule satisfactory?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO			
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		
New England States and N.Y.	44	73	12	4	7	0		
Atlantic States	19	208	34	4	13	3		
Central States	76	616	13	20	57	0		
Northwest States		258	5		25	0		
Southern States	68	107	7	10	15	0		
Western States	95	100	6	14	12	0		
Canada	13	36	12	0	4	1		
Officials			86			5		
TOTAL:	315	1398	89	86	52	133	4	5
GRAND TOTAL:			1888					194

3. A captain may waive the free throw and take the ball at mid-court after a personal foul. Is present rule satisfactory?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO			
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		
New England States & N.Y.	46	77	8	1	3	3		
Atlantic States	22	208	31	1	8	5		
Central States	82	629	12	15	39	1		
Northwest States		267	5		20	0		
Southern States	75	114	7	3	10	0		
Western States	82	102	6	28	12	0		
Canada	13	39	12	1	1	1		
Officials			92			3		
TOTAL:	320	1436	81	92	49	93	10	3
GRAND TOTAL:			1929					155

4. When a player in the act of throwing is fouled from behind, two free throws are always awarded.

(a) Has this rule been properly enforced?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO	
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	25	50	4	22	28	9
Atlantic States	8	103	19	14	112	15
Central States	17	232	6	79	468	7
Northwest States		117	1		165	4
Southern States	31	55	3	50	69	4
Western States	46	44	3	60	71	3
Canada	7	24	10	7	13	3
Officials				50		51
TOTALS:	134	625	46	50	926	45
GRAND TOTAL:				855		1254

(b) Has it tended to eliminate the deliberate push in the back?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO	
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	20	39	3	23	36	9
Atlantic States	7	129	16	11	80	19
Central States	32	309	11	64	245	2
Northwest States	32	169			102	4
Southern States	38	67	3	36	51	4
Western States	56	64	5	49	46	0
Canada	4	23	5	10	14	8
Officials				53		39
TOTALS:	157	800	43	53	574	46
GRAND TOTAL:				1053		852

(c) Is present rule satisfactory?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO	
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	37	61	8	9	18	4
Atlantic States	18	180	35	2	36	4
Central States	78	517	10	14	134	4
Northwest States		217	3		52	2
Southern States	58	96	5	16	21	2
Western States	74	89	6	26	22	
Canada		30			3	
Officials				39		27
TOTALS:	265	1190	67	39	286	16
GRAND TOTAL:				1561		396

5. On a free throw for personal foul, it is a violation when the ball does not go through or touch the ring before touching a player. Is present rule satisfactory?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO	
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	46	75	12	2	4	2
Atlantic States	19	211	36	0	7	1
Central States	93	643	12	1	15	1
Northwest States		268	5		7	0
Southern States	73	117	6	4	2	0
Western States	94	110	6	2	3	0
Canada	14	35	4		5	
Officials				90		2
TOTALS:	339	1459	81	90	43	4
GRAND TOTAL:				1969		58

6. Is the present rule on the four-foot end space satisfactory?

	YES			NO		
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	42	74	10	2	22	1
Atlantic States	23	185	32	-	17	2
Central States	95	596	11	2	52	1
Northwest States		256	4		17	1
Southern States	74	112	7	3	9	
Western States	92	108	6	6	6	0
Canada	11	31	12	3	7	
Officials			90			2
TOTALS:	337	1362	82 90	16	110	5 2
GRAND TOTAL:			1871			133

7. Molded Type Ball:

(a) As compared with the ball with sewed seams, the molded type ball is

	MORE SATISFACTORY			EQUALLY AS SATISFACTORY		
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	6	40	4	7	30	4
Atlantic States	2	102	16	6	76	13
Central States	36	481	8	10	112	2
Northwest States		207	1		57	2
Southern States	21	75	5	14	30	1
Western States	32	64	3	2	27	1
Canada	8	36	10	5	3	2
Officials			15			22
TOTALS:	105	1005	47 15	44	335	25 22
GRAND TOTAL:			1172			426

	LESS SATISFACTORY		
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New Eng. States & N.Y.	27	8	5
Atlantic States	14	31	8
Central States	5	59	3
Northwest States		16	2
Southern States	31	14	1
Western States	70	21	2
Canada	1		1
Officials			14
TOTALS:	148	149	22 14
GRAND TOTAL:			333

(b) The best bouncing reaction of a ball is:

	MINIMUM 49"			MAXIMUM 54"		
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	7	11		1	2	
Atlantic States	3	34	3	3	20	2
Central States	8	94	2	5	41	
Northwest States		68			49	
Southern States	11	17		10	8	
Western States	5	19		13	10	
Canada	4	6		1	7	
Officials			12			7
TOTALS:	38	249	5 12	33	137	2 7
GRAND TOTAL:			304			179

	MEDIAN 51" to 52"		
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	17	40	9
Atlantic States	9	97	20
Central States	23	360	2
Northwest States		146	4
Southern States	30	62	2
Western States	31	56	3
Canada	5	18	
Officials			27
TOTALS:	115	779	40 27
GRAND TOTAL:			961

8. What percentage of the courts on which you play have:

	(1) POOR LIGHTING			(2) LESS THAN FOUR-FOOT SPACE BEHIND BACKBOARD		
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	28	32	41	61	75	54
Atlantic States	25	42	47	60	76	66
Central States	14	31	36	25	70	78
Northwest States		45	35		75	55
Southern States	40	37	45	46	72	41
Western States	25	11	35	38	73	62
Canada						
Officials			34			69

9. (a) Is the present game as interesting and scientific as it was with the center jump?

	YES			NO		
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	25	54	9	19	20	2
Atlantic States	9	132	21	4	34	20
Central States	79	506	9	18	155	4
Northwest States		248	2		35	3
Southern States	57	110	7	18	9	0
Western States	91	98	3	17	12	3
Canada	11	39	11	3	5	2
Officials			55			25
TOTALS:	272	1237	62 55	79	270 34	25
GRAND TOTAL:			1626			408

(b) Are criticisms valid enough to warrant consideration of reinstatement of the center jump with restrictions such as having players rotate for the jump?

	YES			NO		
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	12	18	5	33	55	8
Atlantic States	3	38	13	21	172	23
Central States	13	111	4	83	549	6
Northwest States		56	3		217	2
Southern States	14	5		55	111	7
Western States	6	13	3	89	101	2
Canada	4	3	1	10	39	12
Officials			34			61
TOTALS:	52	244	29 34	291	1244 60	61
GRAND TOTAL:			359			1656

10. Do you favor encouragement of experimentation with:

(a) Baskets without a backboard?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO	
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	13	12	3	34	64	11
Atlantic States	2	47	9	21	164	29
Central States	10	132	3	57	531	10
Northwest States	1	74		1	210	5
Southern States	12	17	4	61	106	3
Western States	30	27	3	80	88	3
Canada	2	11	5	12	33	8
Officials			16			75
TOTALS:	69	320	27 16	265	1196	69 75
GRAND TOTAL:			432			1605

(b) Baskets 11 or 12 feet high?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO	
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	9	10	4	37	69	10
Atlantic States	4	42	7	20	181	31
Central States	13	121	5	53	547	8
Northwest States		51	1		223	3
Southern States	17	24	5	56	97	2
Western States	23	22	3	87	90	3
Canada	5	12	5	9	31	8
Officials			18			75
TOTALS:	71	282	30 18	262	1238	65 75
GRAND TOTAL:			401			1640

(c) Free throw lanes 8 feet wide?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO	
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.
New England States & N.Y.	5	9	6	37	67	6
Atlantic States	4	41	11	19	146	22
Central States	13	141	6	49	393	4
Northwest States		58	3		205	2
Southern States	14	13	4	56	97	3
Western States	17	26	1	84	81	4
Canada	4	12	6	10	32	7
Officials			9			42
TOTALS:	57	300	37 9	255	1021	48 42
GRAND TOTAL:			403			1366

11. Assuming that proper safeguards would be made against any sudden compulsory use of equipment whose use would involve considerable expense, do you favor permitting the optional use of:

(a) A flat surfaced backboard with several inches removed from the borders and with upper edge circular?

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO			
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		
New England States & N.Y.	11	26	4	30	49	7		
Atlantic States	4	88	17	17	125	19		
Central States	33	299	6	57	321	7		
Northwest States		132	1		135	4		
Southern States	22	25	4	48	76	3		
Western States	34	46	3	61	56	2		
Canada	10	18	8	3	22	4		
Officials	—	—	—	16	—	—	60	
TOTALS:	114	634	43	16	216	784	46	60
GRAND TOTAL:				807				1106

(b) A convex surfaced board with shape as in (a).

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO			
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		
New England States & N.Y.	4	11	4	37	59	8		
Atlantic States	2	44	5	19	143	31		
Central States	10	127	2	78	464	10		
Northwest States		62			183	5		
Southern States	10	20	1	50	80	4		
Western States	14	17	1	82	75	5		
Canada	1	9	1	11	28			
Officials	—	—	—	14	—	—	64	
TOTALS:	41	290	14	14	277	1032	63	64
GRAND TOTAL:				359				1436

12. College and Independent games should be played in 10-minute quarters.

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO		
		Y.M.C.A.			Y.M.C.A.		
New England States & N.Y.	15		8	27		2	
Atlantic States	12		29	19		4	
Central States	53		6	41		3	
Northwest States			4				
Southern States	30		5	45			
Western States	25		1	84		1	
Canada	5			8			
Officials	—		—	—		—	21
TOTALS:	140		53	42		10	21
GRAND TOTAL:				235			255

13. Should the number of jump balls be reduced by:

(a) awarding ball to the offensive team, if it is in the air on a try at the end of a quarter and is not successful.

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO			
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		
New England States & N.Y.	19	27	5	26	51	5		
Atlantic States	6	86	16	18	118	21		
Central States	11	226	6	51	375	7		
Northwest States		114	1		144	4		
Southern States	21	46	2	49	66	5		
Western States	33	47		72	60	5		
Canada	5	14	5	8	28	7		
Officials	—	—	—	32	—	—	63	
TOTALS:	95	560	35	32	224	842	54	63
GRAND TOTAL:				722				1183

15. Following a successful field goal or successful last free throw for personal foul:

(a) Start watch as soon as goal is made.

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO		
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	
New England States & N.Y.	16	41	11	24	31	3	
Atlantic States	9	94	26	13	90	9	
Central States	28	298	6	43	259	5	
Northwest States		158	4		97	1	
Southern States	45	69	4	21	30	3	
Western States	41	56	6	52	43		
Canada	8	19	6	3	17	7	
Officials			46			39	
TOTALS:	147	735	63	46	156	28	39
GRAND TOTAL:			991				790

(b) Remove right of either team to take charged time-out.

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO		
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.G.A.	
New England States & N.Y.	6	14	1	38	56	7	
Atlantic States	5	32	13	15	152	23	
Central States	10	77	2	49	435	9	
Northwest States		31	2		205	3	
Southern States	7	11		54	79	6	
Western States	25	14	3	71	79	2	
Canada	6	6	4	7	30	9	
Officials			12			42	
TOTALS:	59	185	25	12	234	59	42
GRAND TOTAL:			281				1371

(c) Permit substitution after any goal.

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO		
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	
New England States & N.Y.	17	26	7	30	48	3	
Atlantic States	7	93	12	14	110	24	
Central States	28	233	1	34	358	9	
Northwest States		74	4		199	1	
Southern States	24	49	1	44	61	6	
Western States	51	38	2	49	67	4	
Canada	4	15	2	10	27	11	
Officials			26			55	
TOTALS:	131	528	29	26	181	58	55
GRAND TOTAL:			714				1173

16. Consider any foul (not flagrant) against a player who is in his back court as a technical foul.

	COLLEGE	YES		COLLEGE	NO		
		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.		H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	
New England States & N. Y.	9	13	6	39	60	6	
Atlantic States	5	65	11	18	137	27	
Central States	29	123	3	46	468	9	
Northwest States		53	2		203	3	
Southern States	24	23	2	50	81	5	
Western States	21	23	1	80	82	5	
Canada	6	8	4	7	30	9	
Officials			19			75	
TOTALS:	94	308	29	19	240	64	75
GRAND TOTAL:			450				1440

17. Reduce bouncing tolerance of a ball from the present 5 inches to 3 inches.

	YES			NO			
	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	COLLEGE	H.S.	Y.M.C.A.	
New England States & N.Y.	12	17	3	21	49	7	
Atlantic States	3	47	5	15	126	28	
Central States	17	187	5	31	347	2	
Northwest States		68			165	5	
Southern States	12	12		47	78	5	
Western States	19	31	1	61	59	4	
Canada	7	15	2	5	20	9	
Officials			16			66	
TOTALS:	70	377	16	16	180	844	60
GRAND TOTAL:			479			1150	

POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS IN WORDING OR ARRANGEMENT
SUGGESTED BY EDITOR AND SECRETARY

PAGE 2 (DIAGRAM). Insert alley marks under backboard.

1-5. last paragraph. Change second and third lines to: "shall be marked and lettered on the free throw lanes as in the diagram". Omit remainder.

4-1. Consider changing limits in ball tolerance.

5-3. Make second line of first question read: "He has reported to the Scorers and to an Official.

Consider allowing player to withdraw or enter before play has been resumed.

In last question change "several" to "three or more". Another alternative is to have no line-up of players.

6-8. Take out in Section 8 "same play" (used twice).

6-11. In seventh line insert "and its coach" after "team".

Add to last paragraph "and it should not be blown after the ball has been placed at the disposal of the free thrower".

Authorize rulings on situations related to the first question.

6-12. In fourth paragraph third line should be: "or permission for a substitute to enter the court".

Should watch start immediately if ball misses ring?

Second Question: This may be out of date.

Change answer to first question. Coach can no longer ask official and should not be permitted to bother Timer.

RULE 7. Make all definitions consistent in wording.

Section 3. Omit last question.

Section 5. Omit.

Section 6. Should read: "Own basket is the one for which a team is throwing". Also should become Section 5.

Present Section 21 should become Section 6.

Section 7. First line should read "The ball becomes dead, etc."

When does ball cease to be dead?

Is ball in play during free throw?

g Should read: "After each free throw following a double foul or technical foul;"

j should read: "After each free throw of a multiple throw, except when the last such throw awarded for a personal foul is unsuccessful."

Question and answer might cover influence of touching of ball before field goal in cases such as where it is passed from out of bounds.

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7-7-Note. Phrase "play continues as if the ball had not touched him" (last sentence) does not apply at division line.

Section 12. Omit note.

Section 11-1st Q. Remove "or blocking"

Section 15. Make more specific. What if one foul calls for two throws?

Section 13. Omit last sentence "Technical fouls, etc."

Section 20. Should this be "overtime"?

Section 21. In third line substitute "nearer" for "front".

8-1. This should read: "The game shall be started by a jump ball in the center circle, etc."

In the fourth paragraph, should the officials' time-out be compulsory?

8-5. Omit c.

8-6. In next to last line omit parenthetical statement. Note that this situation will be covered in 14-11.

In next to last line, where is ball out of bounds?

How can second question be justified by rule?

8-8. In next to last line of Note under (b) substitute "any player of that team" for "a teammate".

8-9. This should read "After a goal from the field, any opponent of the team credited with the score shall, etc."

NOTE: Make consistent with 10-1.

9-3. Use "extra period" or else "overtime" to be consistent.

In ninth line of second paragraph substitute "any extra" for "this".

9-4 and 5. Combine these two sections. Follow first sentence of 4 with "If no points have been scored or if the score is a tie or if the offending team is ahead, the score shall be 2 to 0 in favor of the offended team. If the offending team is behind, the score at the time of forfeiture shall stand."

Permit referee to declare current score the final score.

*** In eleventh line substitute "any" for "this". Use "overtime" consistently.

***Make question cover college games.

10-1-Note. Should last sentence be part of Rule 1?

The 2nd note should be in italics and rewritten:

10-2. Insert "by a jump" after "again" in last line.

No caps in "jump ball".

Last clause should read "the same players shall jump again at the same point".

11-1. Insert Q. and A.: "Ques. The scorer sounds his horn following a held ball. When should the Timer stop his watch?"

Ans. When the Official signals as provided in the fourth paragraph of Rule 6-12."

Note: "Thrown for goal" is included under "lost control".

13-1. Make this read: "When a foul has been called an Official shall immediately secure possession of the ball, take it to the free throw line and place it at the disposal of the player entitled to throw. During the free throw a player of the home team and of the visiting team respectively shall occupy the spaces marked H and V. Teammates are entitled to alternate spaces. In all free throws

Following technical fouls and double fouls, players shall not line up along the free throw lines unless such throw is to be followed by one after which the ball is in play (this is from Penalty under 14-7)."

Should waived throws be included?

13-2. Consider having substitute always throw free throw in cases of disqualification or injury. This whole section might be rewritten to cover double foul and multiple throws.

13-5. "Section 5. After a free throw, the ball shall be put in play, (a) by any opponent of the free thrower as after a field goal, if the throw is for a personal foul and if the free throw is successful, or (b) by any player of the free thrower's team from out of bounds at mid-court if the free throw is for a technical foul, whether or not the free throw is successful. If a multiple throw has been awarded, this applies only to the last free throw.

Ques. Following a personal foul by B, Team A elects to take the ball out of bounds at mid-court but before the ball is in play, a player of A commits a foul. How is play resumed?

Ans. By a jump ball at center.

Section 6. If a free throw following a personal foul is unsuccessful, the ball shall continue in play. If a multiple throw not involving a technical foul has been awarded, this applies only to the last throw. If any one of the throws is for a technical foul, it is attempted last and, whether successful or unsuccessful, the ball is awarded to the free thrower's team at mid-court.

Ques. A player is fouled in the act of throwing for goal, gets his goal and is awarded one free throw. If the free throw is unsuccessful, is the ball in play?

Ans. Yes.

Section 7. After the last free throw following a double foul, the ball shall go to center whether the last goal is successful or unsuccessful."

Provide for missed free throw.

13-6. Is second paragraph still okay?

In first question should violation annul both rights?

14-1. In second question answer should read: "No. Such recovery is a violation."

14-2-Penalty. Is last sentence satisfactory?

14-6-Penalty. This should be the same as penalty under Section 13.
Where does ball go in play?

14-7. Last sentence is now covered under 13-1.

Last sentence of first paragraph of penalty is covered under 13-1.

14-10-Note. Should other situations be included?

14-11. This should read: "During jump ball at center or elsewhere, enter the restraining circle before the ball is tapped; nor shall either jumper tap the ball, etc."

"until" should be "before".

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14-13. "Ring" should be substituted for "edge of".

Make clear that player may not touch net in certain circumstances.

13 and 14. Is "made or not" correct wording?

RULES 14 and 15. Should all violations and fouls be listed?

15-1-d and e. Should be interchanged.

15-1-Note. Should this include coverage for player being over restraining circle too soon.

15-3. This should read: "enter or leave the court, etc."

15-4. Second line should read: "Reported to the Scorers and Official has signalled him to enter."

15-9-Note. End sentence with "foul" in fourth line.

15-12. First Q. and A. should read: "Ques. Player A is flagrantly fouled by each of two opponents. How many free throws are awarded?"

Ans. Two free throws. This applies even if A is in the act of shooting."

15-12-Penalty (a). Is attempt at opponents' goal a try?

INDEX. Omit "face guarding".

COMMENTS FROM QUESTIONNAIRE

RULE 1 - PLAYING COURT

Markings: Make offensive area 45 to 50 feet.
remove zone lines.

If schools do not have room for four-foot end line, use arc made with radius of 19 feet. Throw-ins made from point at either side of backboard.

RULE 2 - BACKBOARDS

Backboards should be black.
Remove backboards.

RULE 3 - BASKETS

Section 1. Make hoop larger.
Section 2. 11-foot basket.
Extend basket from backboard 18 inches.

RULE 4 - BALL

Section 1. Make ball 1/2 inch smaller.

RULE 5 - PLAYERS AND SUBSTITUTES

Section 2. Penalty if captain talks to Scorer or Timer without permission of Official.
Section 3. (Substitutions) Permit a substitution whenever time is out.
Section 4. (Substitutions) Unlimited substitutions.
No player allowed in game more than 2 quarters.
Section 6. (Numbers) Enforce rule requiring proper number on jerseys.

RULE 6 - OFFICIALS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 5. Officials handle ball after basket.
Section 6. Do not remove player for Personal fouls -- allow additional F.T. for subsequent foul.
Permit five personals before disqualification.
Section 11. For substitutions during a time-out or between quarters, officials report at Scorer's table.
Section 12. Require gun to end playing time.

RULE 7 - PLAYING TERMS

Held ball. Clarify held ball rules.
Section 11. Clarify fouled from rear to mean on side away from basket.
Clarify fouling from rear. -- Does it include fouls on arms? Must man fouled be facing basket?
Violation on man with ball if he does not pass before any part of his torso touches floor.

RULE 8 - PLAYING REGULATIONS

Section 1. (Playing Periods) Shorten game.
Section 5. (Center Jump) Instead of center jump, rotate possession of ball at midcourt.
Section 8. (Back Court) Permit player to hold ball only 30 seconds.
Do not consider man in back court if he pivots and has only one foot over.

RULE 9 - SCORING

Section 3. (Tie Games) Change sudden death rule.
Section 1. (Points) No goal scored within 6, 8, 10 or 12' semi-circle. Or only allow 1 point.

RULE 10 - OUT-OF-BOUNDS

Section 1. Allow several seconds delay after field goal.

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RULE 11 - TIME-OUT AND TIME-IN

Section 1. (Time-Out) Only team scored on be allowed to take time-out after goal.

Clarify "withholding ball from play".

RULE 12 - HELD BALL

Section 1. Clarify held ball rules.

RULE 13 - FREE THROW

Section 1. Have Official raise hand at point of foul but no whistle. If play ends with basket, allow it and also award Free Throw.

Section 5. Treat free throw as technical -- allow basket and possession.

Section 6. Specify time limit on waiving of free throw.

Permit waiving of free throw for possession only in last 3 minutes of game.

RULE 14 - VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Section 3. Be more specific about player on boundary touching pass.

Section 10. (Dribble Rule) Clarify dribble-fumble rule.

Change dribble rule to conform to pass rule.

**Section 12. (3-Second Rule) Eliminate 3-second rule.

Section 13. Don't penalize scoring team for catching ball as it comes through basket.

Prohibit offensive player from touching ball while on, over or above basket.

**Do not start 3-second count until team has advanced ball into front court.

RULE 15 - FOULS AND PENALTIES

A- TECHNICAL FOUL

Section 2. Prohibit waving of hand or hands in face of offensive man.

Section 4. Players should not have to report to official.

Allow substitution for free thrower -- if he has reported to Scorer and is ready to enter when foul is called.

B - CONDUCT OF COACHES

15-B-7 and 8 are not enforced.

C - PERSONAL FOULS

Section 11. Eliminate foul after shot has been made and enforce unnecessary roughness rule.

Distinguish between flagrant and other fouls.

Section 12. Treat fouls in last few minutes same as Technical foul.

If technical follows personal, throw technical last.

Specify what constitutes foul from the rear.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM GROUPS

FROM INDIANA INTERCOLLEGIATE COACHES ASSOCIATION: (1) That the maximum standard court be 98' x 50'. Reasons: 1. Many colleges in our area like the four feet behind the basket, but because of the construction problems cannot move the baskets toward the center of the court.

(2) That two free throws or one free throw and possession of the ball out-of-bounds be awarded on any foul committed in the last two minutes of the game. Reasons: Many intentional fouls occur near the end of the game which have been penalized by only one free throw, or possession of the ball out-of-bounds.

(3) That the old dribble rule be reinstated. Reason: The dribble rule as now stated fosters loose handling of the ball and is conducive to rough play. A fumbled ball is not a dribble but, of course, a ball bounced by a player is. How is the official to know whether the ball was actually fumbled or deflected under the control and possession of a player. As the rule now stands, neither the official, the player with the ball nor the player covering the man with the ball know whether or not a violation has been committed. With the old dribble rule everyone knew when a dribble had been completed. It seems to us that with the rule as it now stands -- a premium is placed upon "sloppy" ball handling.

STANFORD GROUP (JOHN BUNN): The waived free throw has encouraged intentional fouls; at least, I have interpreted many of them as intentional fouls. In addition it has taken much of the thrill out of the last four or five minutes of the game. Since the elimination of the center jump, interest in the game has held up to the final moment because in many games, as many as ten points have been scored during this final minute. Now if a team has as much as a five point lead, with three to five minutes to play, it goes into a stall and as a result spectator interest is entirely eliminated during these last few moments. The players and coaches to whom I have talked are not at all satisfied with the rule.

FROM CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD : (1) In statement about game, include "thrown, batted, bounced, etc." as well as "passed".

(2) In 9-1, second sentence -- Use "ball enters" instead of "ball is thrown".

(3) Make timer responsible for starting watch without signal from the official.

(4) In 11-3: Change wording to conform to 3.

(5) 15-1: Use "attempt a field goal" instead of "throw for field goal".

C O N S T I T U T I O N A N D B Y - L A W S
of the
NATIONAL BASKETBALL COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be "The National Basketball Committee of the United States and Canada".

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be to legislate upon the official rules of basketball as played in the colleges, schools and by amateur teams in the United States and Canada; to supervise the administration of the official rules and to promote the welfare of the game to the end that recreation, healthy competition, and good sportsmanship may be aided thereby.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.

The constituent organizations holding membership on this committee and the number of representatives for each shall be:

- (a) The National Collegiate Athletic Association.....8 representatives
- (b) The National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations.....4 representatives
- (c) The Young Men's Christian Association.....2 representatives
- (d) The Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union.....1 representative
- (e) The Canadian Amateur Basketball Association.....1 representative

In addition to the representatives mentioned above, the Y.M.C.A. shall have the privilege of designating honorary member John Brown, Jr., as a voting member as long as he may be actively connected with that organization. Also Oswald Tower shall be considered a National Collegiate member-at-large as long as he continues to be editor and interpreter.

The committee as a whole shall elect an editor who may or may not be a regularly appointed member of the committee.

By a two-thirds vote of the committee, an invitation to other organizations for membership on the committee may be extended and by the same vote members or former members may be designated as honorary members for life when by long and distinguished service such members may merit this distinction. Honorary members may attend meetings of the committee and shall have the privilege of the floor but no vote.

Section 2.

Constituent organizations holding membership on this committee shall provide the secretary of the National Basketball Committee annually with credentials of membership on the committee.

ARTICLE IV -- OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers of the Committee shall be a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary, a Treasurer and an Editor.

Section 2. The term of each officer shall be for one year.

NOTE: In order to insure some degree of stability it should be the general policy of the committee to continue the officers through their term of committee membership, except that the term of the chairman should not exceed four consecutive years.

Section 3. Election of officers shall take place at the annual meeting of the Committee and the newly elected officers shall take office immediately upon election.

ARTICLE V - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the National Basketball Committee and such other members of the Committee as may be duly elected by the membership. The Executive Committee shall handle all business of the National Committee between the annual or any special meetings of the National Committee. Four members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VI -- DUTIES OF OFFICERS

(a) Chairman -- Shall preside at all meetings of the Committee and of the Executive Committee and in general shall perform the duties incident to his office.

(b) Vice-Chairman -- During the absence or inability to act of the Chairman, shall perform the duties of that office.

(c) Secretary -- Shall keep the records of all meetings of the Committee and the Executive Committee. He shall give and serve all notices of meetings and in general perform the duties incident to his office.

(d) Treasurer -- Shall keep full and accurate account of all moneys received and shall deposit the same in the name and to the credit of the National Committee as may be designated by the Executive Committee. He shall disburse the same under the direction of the National Committee and shall present at each annual meeting a written report of the Treasury. In general, he shall perform the duties incident to his office.

(e) Editor -- Shall assemble and edit all material for the Official Basketball Rule Book and Guide, keep accurate record of all amendments to the rules and interpret by mail, if requested, any and all questions arising out of the rules and in general perform the duties incident to his office.

ARTICLE VII -- VOTING

Each member of the National Committee shall have one vote and the vote of a majority shall prevail in all matters unless otherwise provided herein. Members unable to attend may, with the consent of their constituent organizations, send an alternate with power to vote. Voting may not be by proxy.

ARTICLE VIII -- MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual meeting of the Committee shall be at the close of the basketball season in the spring at a time determined by vote of the committee at the time of the last preceding annual meeting or, in the absence of such vote, at the call of the Chairman. The order of business shall be in accordance with the agenda made up by the Secretary and approved by the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Special meetings of the Committee may be called at the discretion of the Chairman and shall be called upon the written request of six members.

ARTICLE IX -- DUTIES AND POWERS

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the National Committee to formulate the playing rules for the game of basketball for schools and amateur circles generally. These shall be considered the official rules.

Section 2. The National Committee shall have sole jurisdiction over the publication of the official rules and the ownership of the copyright shall be vested in the committee. Publication of the rules may be by contract or an undertaking of the Com-

mittee at the sole jurisdiction of the Committee of the whole. The National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations shall, while they are a member group of the Committee, have the right to publish and distribute a high school edition of the official rules as adopted by the Committee. This same privilege may be granted to any other member group by a majority vote of the Committee.

ARTICLE X -- SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Section 1. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the Chairman and shall consist of the number of appointees designated by the Chair and perform the duties outlined at the time of their appointment unless otherwise designated by the Chair.

The Special Committees shall be:

- (a) Committee on Research.
- (b) Committee on Game Administration.
- (c) Committee on Questionnaire.

ARTICLE XI -- FINANCES

Section 1. After payment of all current committee expenses and the establishing of a suitable reserve (approved by the Committee as a whole), the balance of the receipts shall be divided as follows:

- 85% to the National Collegiate Athletic Association
- 10% to the Young Men's Christian Association
- 5% to the (Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union
(Canadian Amateur Basketball Association

NOTE: The share paid to the two Canadian groups will be paid half and half until such time as the Committee by majority vote might choose to apportion the amount to the two groups on some basis to be agreed upon. The percentage allotted to the Canadian groups may be increased by the committee at any time the sales of the guide in Canada exceed 5% of the total sales.

Section 2. As long as the National Federation elects to print and distribute the special high school edition of the guide, they will not share in the income from sales of the regular guide and they shall be expected to take care of the expenses of their own representatives on the committee.

ARTICLE XII -- AMENDMENT

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the duly accredited members of the National Committee either at the annual meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose. In either case written notice of the proposed amendment shall have been mailed to all members at least fifteen days prior to the meeting.

Technical and Personal Penalties (Table I)

	Number Cases	Point Value
I. Missed Free Throws with Ball in Play -----	208	
A. Ensuing Rebound Field Goals -----	<u>16(16/208 x 2 points) = 2/13</u>	
B. Ensuing Possession by Throwers -----	41	
C. Goal Following B -----	<u>10(10/208 x 2 points) = 1/10</u>	
Total Point Value of Rebound -----		33/130
II. Possession at Mid-Court -----	24	
A. Primary Purpose to Consume Time -----	<u>8</u>	
B. Primary Purpose to Score -----	16	
C. Goal Before Loss of Ball -----	4 (4/16 x 2 points) = 1/2	

Conclusions: These figures indicate that the point value of a rebound following a missed free throw is 33/130 as compared with a point value of 65/130 for possession at mid-court. If we assume that players will be equally successful in free throws following personal or technical fouls, the penalty for a technical foul is more severe than for a personal foul by 32/130 of a point.

When to Waive Free Throw (Table II)

	No. Cases	%	Point Value
I. When Free Throw is Attempted			
Chance of Scoring Point -----	1000	51	1/2
Rebound Value if Missed (From Table I) -----			<u>33/130</u>
Total Point Value of Free Throw -----			98/130
II. When Free Throw is Waived			
Value of Possession at Mid-Court (From Table I)			65/130

Conclusion: Unless a team wishes to consume time, they lose 33/130 of a point when they waive a free throw. They would be justified in taking this action only in case the free-throwing ability of a given player is below 25% (1 out of 4 trials).

Value of Field Goal Rebounds

Field Goals Scored on First Tries: -----	53%
Field Goals Scored Following First Tries: -----	47%

Conclusion: More than half of the field goals are scored the first time a team tries after securing possession following a jump ball, or possession by an opponent. Direct rebounds or tries after batting the ball back after a rebound account for the remainder.

DATA ON BALL REACTION

General Statement: Three balls were used. The pressures were such that ball number 1 bounced 48 inches when dropped from a height of six feet, the second bounced 52 inches and the third 55 inches. The balls were used alternately under actual game conditions and later were used for spot shooting from 22 feet in front of the basket and during practice drills which involved a one-bounce dribble followed by one-hand push shot and then with a follow shot.

	<u>AT 48"</u>	<u>AT 52"</u>	<u>AT 55"</u>
No. fumbles per hour of play.....	30	37	36
% Field Goals made:			
In game.....	33%	20%	12%
Spot two-hand.....	33%	30%	25%
One-Hand and Follow.....	54%	52%	49%
% Free Throws made.....	49%	50%	49%
No. times ball was out of bounds (Not counting after goal).....	51	49	75
Opinions of Players and Observers as to which reaction seemed to be most satisfactory.....	26%	58%	16%

Players preferred the 52" bounce and tight inflated ball.

FOUR-FOOT END LINE DATA

	<u>FOUR-FOOT</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
NUMBER OF OUT OF BOUNDS AT END:		
District.....	29.5	35.7
Regional.....	29.8	36.2
Sectional.....	32.6	49.8
JUMP BALL SITUATIONS:		
District.....	25.0	26.2
Regional.....	20.2	21.2
Sectional.....	19.0	22.5
State.....	12.1	