

is legal. A slight sliding of the foot is not to be interpreted as illegal unless such movement becomes exaggerated and is used to evade or pull away from an opponent.

If a player makes an illegal move to evade an opponent or in shooting for goal this should be called closely, but a slight shuffling of the feet or doubtful movements in the starting of a dribble under other circumstances than the two above should not be called. It is felt that they in no way affect the game and therefore the game should not be interrupted.

Methods of Officiating

The double-referee system is to be used in all conference games or all games where conference teams are concerned.

In this method both officials are instructed to make decisions anywhere on the court. Under such a plan it is to be expected that both officials will be blowing their whistles simultaneously on many plays.

In order that the officials may be in a position to best cover all movements on the court it is suggested that one official move along one side line and one end and that the other official ~~no~~ take the opposite side line and end. Both officials should keep close to the play with one always ahead of the ball and the other slightly behind.

It is further suggested that on shots for goal, one official cover particularly the play out in the court and around the point from where the shot was made while the other cover particularly the play under and around the goal.

Rule 7 Section 3. Held Balls.

It is the opinion of the conference coaches that officials are calling held balls to prevent rough play and to protect themselves. This practice slows up the game and often prevents the progress of a legitimate and clever play. Special attention is called to the rule. Officials should not anticipate held balls, but should permit the ball to continue in play except where the conditions are absolutely complied with. Rough play or any other fouls should be properly dealt with but held balls should not be used to prevent or stop this kind of play.

The conference coaches have agreed that they will not talk to officials before, during the progress of or after their games except in the presence of both coaches concerned and then only upon the interpretation of rules and not on questions of judgment.

They further express their confidence in the officials that they have chosen and direct them to run their ball games fearlessly and consistently throughout the whole game without regards to the conditions of the game.

These interpretations have been made as a guide to the officials and they represent the unanimous opinion of the conference coaches.

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