

NATIONAL BASKETBALL COMMITTEE of the UNITED STATES AND CANADA

ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire is sent annually to representative basketball men of the country 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 whose name appears above will send all replies received up to March 25 to H. V. Porter, 11 South LaSalle St., Chicago, Illinois.

1. (a) Has the new note on held ball resulted in a better game?
Yes 595 No 113
(b) Should a held ball be declared whenever a player in control is touching the floor with any part of his body other than hands or feet?
Yes 183 No 609
(c) when a team is attempting to consume time by holding the ball near the division line should a held ball be declared whenever a closely guarded player holds the ball for three seconds?
Yes 428 No 392
2. Player in possession near the sideline sometimes intentionally hits the opponent on the leg with the ball so that it caroms out-of-bounds. There are other similar situations. Should these be regarded as legitimate plays and allowed without penalty?
Yes 512 No 294
3. Check the court size which you regard as best:
(a) For high school play 283 48x75 499 48x84 27 50x94
(b) For college play 4 48x75 220 48x84 415 50x94
4. (a) Has the removal of the "due allowance" clause in the traveling rule caused any difficulty?
Yes 96 No 708
(b) It is claimed that few players in starting a dribble drop the ball before the pivot foot leaves the floor. Do you favor rigid enforcement of this rule?
Yes 231 No 575
5. Would you favor taking time out after each basket?
Yes 231 No 557
6. The new rule for starting second and fourth quarters reduces the number of center jumps. Would you favor further gradual reduction?
Yes 403 No 393
7. Would you favor allowing play to proceed at the end of a quarter until the play which is in progress when the signal sounds is completed?
Yes 69 No 712
8. There is some sentiment in favor of moving the backboards 6 feet inside the end lines. Assuming that over a period of years such a change might be made, in your opinion
(a) Would it relieve the crowding in front of the basket?
Yes 219 No 530
(b) Would it result in fewer out-of-bounds balls?
Yes 574 No 206
(c) would it result in more play in the center floor zone and in more tries from there?
Yes 367 No 357
(d) Would the increased possibilities for offensive strategy be desirable?
Yes 332 No 355
9. Would you favor a plan whereby a free throw for a personal foul would be made from the spot where the foul is committed (with proper adjustments for unusually long or short distances)?
Yes 86 No 687
List other suggestions on reverse side.

QUESTIONNAIRE COMMITTEE,

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