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Extract from Minutes of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING of the JOINT BASKETBALL COMMITTEE held at the Hotel McAlpin, New York City, June 23rd, 1932. Copy of this extract also sent to the press associations of United States and Canada.

Minutes of the Executive Committee will be sent shortly.

After a six hour session at the McAlpin today the Executive Committee of the Joint Basketball Rules Committee voted to adhere to the changes made in the basketball rules at the Annual Meeting last April. This means that the much-discussed ten-second rule and the curb on the so-called "pivot block play" will be retained as originally adopted, and that they will become part of the Basketball code for the season 1932-33. All criticisms and suggestions received since last April were discussed thoroughly, including the points raised by the Eastern Group of coaches and officials as a result of their demonstration game and conferences. Of the five recommendations made by the latter group, four were already covered in substance by the rules adopted last April. The recommendation that the ten-second rule be disregarded in the last three minutes of the game was not approved, but in connection with face guarding it was voted to accept the suggestion that this rule read, "Face guarding takes place when a player - - - obviously interferes with the progress of an opponent."

The reaction of the country as a whole to the changes has been favorable. The ten-second rule in particular has been well received and is expected to speed up play materially. This rule was originally sponsored by the National Association of Basketball Coaches and came to the Committee as a unanimous recommendation of that body. It is expected that the basketball public will recognize in these changes an attempt to correct certain undesirable tendencies in the game, and will accept them in that spirit. At the end of the next season the Committee will welcome further suggestions.