

12. No, this is not a fair ruling. Last year there was discrimination permitting an offensive player to tip the ball in or dunk it, even though he struck the rim in doing so. Attention was called to this discrimination and now the goal does not count if an offensive player tips a ball while the ball is on the rim, or if he strikes the rim while batting the ball into the basket. However, he may jump high enough above the cylinder of the basket to drop it in and the goal counts; whereas, the defensive player is not permitted to bat the ball away from the basket while it is in the air above the cylinder of the basket. There is still discrimination regarding offensive and defensive basket rebound rights. In my opinion the situation that would remove all arguments in regard to interference of plays around the basket would be to raise the basket for college players to a height of 12 feet where even the 7 foot player could not jump up and touch the rim of the basket.