

PRELIMINARY SYNOPSIS OF ACTION ON RULE CHANGES

NOTE: This is merely a preliminary synopsis for your information. No attempt has been made to properly word any of the changes and there may even be some omissions of minor actions.

1. It was voted to legalize a court marking which will place the end lines four feet behind the plane of the backboard for those who have the space and inclination to use such markings.
2. The Research Committee was instructed to study the possibilities in several types of equipment. The study will include chain baskets, balls with an imitation leather cover and backboards of various sizes and shapes.
3. It was voted to make the size specifications for basketballs as follows: Minimum circumference 29 inches for participants below senior high school age and 29 1/2 inches for others; maximum circumference 30 inches.
4. It was voted to permit no substitutions during the interval which follows a score unless there is a charged time out or a time out for injury.
5. It was voted that in case the ball is in the air on a try for goal when the gun sounds to end a period, subsequent touching of the ball by a teammate of the thrower will constitute the end of the play. However, such touching by a defensive player will not nullify a goal which may be scored following the touching.
6. By mutual agreement between teams or by conference or league ruling any game may be played in quarters. In such cases the administration will be the same as that which is now prescribed for high school games.

Also by such agreement in games between contestants below college age a referee's time-out of two minutes may be provided in the second and fourth quarter. This time-out will be taken the first time the ball is dead after four minutes of the quarter have expired and provided there has been no charged time-out to either team during the first four minutes of the quarter.
7. It was voted that intermissions between quarters and prior to any overtime period by two minutes.
8. It was voted to authorize the editorial committee to redraft Rule 8, Section 8, and, if possible, to base it on the assumption that the division line is always in a team's own back court.
9. It was voted to use the "sudden death" method of ending tie games for those below college age in the first overtime period, this overtime to be three minutes in case neither team scores two points during that time and, if either team is one point in the lead at the end of the three minute period, that such team be declared the winner. In case of a tie at the end of the first overtime the same rules will apply to subsequent overtime periods.
10. It was voted to have no jump ball at a spot less than six feet from either the end line or sideline.
11. It was voted to allow any player who is not in possession or control of the ball to remain in the outer half of the free throw circle for any length of time.