



## NFHS & NCAA MAJOR BASKETBALL MECHANICS DIFFERENCES

(Refers to both 2 and 3-person crews, except where noted)

ITEM	NFHS	NCAA
Foul Signaling Reporting	Go to specific reporting area, one handed reporting	Clear the players; make eye contact with scorer; (W) use two hands to report numbers; (M) two-handed reporting permitted
Switching (2)	Switch on all non-shooting fouls; when FT's, calling official becomes table side T and L goes opposite	No two-person mechanics
Switching (3)	No long switch in backcourt; official goes table side	Men – Calling official goes opposite Women – No switching in the backcourt and official goes table side in frontcourt
Disqualification Procedure (2)	After proper notifications, non-calling official takes a position on division line half way between center circle and sideline nearer table to administer substitution. Calling official takes a position with ball at top of arc in end of the court where play will resume.	No specific procedure
Disqualification Procedure (3)	After proper notifications, new table side official takes a position on division line half way between center circle and sideline nearer table to administer substitution. Officials not administering disqualification assume positioning for subsequent throw-in or free throw.	No specific procedure
Frontcourt Areas of Coverage (3)	<b>Trail</b> – Area from the near sideline to the far lane-line extended, above the free-throw line extended. All area outside the arc from the far lane-line extended to the end line. <b>Center</b> – Area from near sideline to nearest lane-line extended, from end line to division line and near half of key area. <b>Lead</b> – Near half of key and inside arc from mid free-throw line to the end line.	Men – Dual area for Trail/Lead inside arc.  Women – <b>Trail</b> – All area above free-throw line extended from near sideline to far lane-line extended. <b>Center</b> – Same as NFHS <b>Lead</b> – All area below the free-throw line extended from the middle of the key to the near sideline.
Last-Second Shot (3)	C or T - opposite table	Men – Same as NFHS Women – Center
Throw-in Administration L Position - frontcourt (3)	Either back to glass OR outside player, get in position to best cover court	Men – Back to glass Women - Outside player within 3-pt arc, inside player outside 3-pt arc
Sideline Throw-in – Below free-throw line extended (2)	Lead remains on end line and bounces the ball to the thrower	Lead administers
Time-outs Positioning (2)	Administering official - throw-in spot Off official - division line, facing table, on the circle (nearest table for 30, further from table for 60)	No two-person mechanics
Positioning (3)	Administering official - throw-in spot, ball placed on floor if spot is vacated Off officials – nearest block, opposite and facing bench area	Men - Same as NFHS Women - Administering official - throw-in spot; do not place the ball on the floor if spot is vacated

**NOTE:** Does not include signal differences.