

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS

2008 BASKETBALL QUESTIONNAIRE

(NFHS OA & CA Membership)

Total Responses: 429 (OFFICIALS= 405 COACHES= 24)

Questions		Total			Officials			Coaches		
PART I - Are these changes made last year satisfactory?		Yes	No	% Yes	Yes	No	% Yes	Yes	No	% Yes
1.	Changing the warning horn for a 30-second time-out to be sounded with 15 seconds remaining.	398	31	93 %	383	22	95 %	15	9	63 %
2.	Changing the replacement interval for a disqualified or injured player to 20 seconds, with a warning horn sounded with 15 seconds remaining.	363	66	85 %	351	54	87 %	12	12	50 %
3.	Changing that a dribble ends when loss of control by the dribbler is caused by the opponent touching, or being touched by, the ball, rather than an intentional batting of the ball.	386	38	91 %	365	36	91 %	21	2	91 %
4.	Changing that a throw-in ends when the throw-in pass is "legally" touched by another player.	389	39	91 %	370	34	92 %	19	5	79 %
5.	Added a signal (spreading of the arms) for when a defender is not in a closely-guarding position.	387	42	90 %	363	42	90 %	24	0	100 %
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PART II – Observations - Have you seen in your area?		Yes	No	% Yes	Yes	No	% Yes	Yes	No	% Yes
6.	An increase in unsporting behavior when teams are entering the court for warm-ups.	57	367	13 %	51	349	13 %	6	18	25 %
7.	An increase in uniforms being worn properly.	259	165	61 %	245	155	61 %	14	10	58 %
8.	An increase in traveling being called properly.	252	171	60 %	243	156	61 %	9	15	38 %
9.	An increase in palming being called properly.	238	186	56 %	228	172	57 %	10	14	42 %
10.	A disqualified player being replaced in a more timely fashion.	372	50	88 %	356	42	89 %	16	8	67 %
11.	The resumption-of-play procedure being properly utilized when a team delays its return following a time-out.	237	186	56 %	222	177	56 %	15	9	63 %
12.	The violation for a player leaving the floor for an unauthorized reason being properly called.	202	216	48 %	193	201	49 %	9	15	38 %
13.	Improved communication between coaches and officials since the calling official remains tableside after a foul	292	131	69 %	281	118	70 %	11	13	46 %

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PART III - About the rules for 2008-09 - would you favor?										
14.	Having a team receive only one “team” technical foul for any and all illegal uniform design violations (currently it is a player technical foul for each starter and substitute entering the game with an illegal uniform).	354	64	85 %	334	60	85 %	20	4	83 %
15.	Having the rules book define what constitutes a “dark” uniform.	288	130	69 %	270	125	68 %	18	5	78 %
16.	Having any item that goes around the <i>entire</i> head (elastic strips/bands, pre-wrap, headbands, etc.) meet the same rule requirements regarding color uniformity (currently only the headband must meet those requirements)?	255	161	61 %	238	154	61 %	17	7	71 %
17.	Having <i>all</i> hair-control devices and headbands (rubber bands, scrunchies, pre-wrap, etc.) meet the same rule requirements regarding color uniformity (currently there is no color restriction for hair-control devices).	180	238	43 %	166	228	42 %	14	10	58 %
18.	During a free throw, moving all players up one space and leaving the two marked lane spaces closest to the end line vacant (currently spaces nearest the shooter are vacant).	284	132	68 %	264	128	67 %	20	4	83 %
19.	During a throw-in, having an illegal screen or any foul by the throw-in team considered a team-control foul resulting in a throw-in to the offended team (currently free throws could be awarded if a team is in the bonus).	295	122	71 %	285	108	73 %	10	14	42 %
20.	If not recognized immediately, having the penalty for an excessive time-out only permitted to be assessed within the correctable error timeframe (currently it can be penalized whenever it is discovered).	214	203	51 %	198	195	50 %	16	8	67 %
21.	Having the penalty for an excessive time-out only assessed while being violated; once the ball becomes live, it’s too late to penalize.	218	195	53 %	203	186	52 %	15	9	63 %
22.	If the defense commits an excessively swinging the elbows violation while a try is in flight, ignoring the violation if the try is successful.	153	261	37 %	149	241	38 %	4	20	17 %
23.	Eliminating the resumption-of-play procedure (putting the ball down on the floor) and replacing it with a delay warning being issued to the offending team, with any subsequent delay – as with all delays – resulting in a technical foul.	215	200	52 %	207	184	53 %	8	16	33 %
24.	Beginning an overtime period with a throw-in by the team entitled to the ball under the alternating-possession procedure.	101	313	24 %	95	295	24 %	6	18	25 %
25.	Adding an additional signal to the signal chart for a hit to the head.	234	180	57 %	224	166	57 %	10	14	42 %
26.	Adding an additional signal to the signal chart for hook/wrap.	263	146	64 %	251	134	65 %	12	12	50 %
27.	Adding an additional signal to the signal chart for a trip.	234	178	57 %	222	166	57 %	12	12	50 %

Questions – continued		Yes	No	% Yes	Yes	No	% Yes	Yes	No	% Yes
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28.	Adding an additional signal to the signal chart for basket interference.	238	176	57 %	226	164	58 %	12	12	50 %
29.	Adding an additional signal to the signal chart for an official's accidental whistle.	187	227	45 %	173	217	44 %	14	10	58 %