

### **OSAA Adopted Basketball Mechanics**

Last year the OSAA, on the recommendation of the OAOA Basketball Committee, approved two alternate mechanics that each association had the option of using.

**1. Player control foul signal:** Sound the whistle, thrust the fist/arm forward without the stop the clock signal. This is the same signal as the team control foul signal.

**2. Ball out of bounds:** Sound the whistle and signal the team direction without the stop the clock signal. Announce the color as well.

Based on last year's survey, officials are overwhelmingly in favor of the new mechanics. An informal survey of commissioners has also shown that the vast majority of associations chose to use these optional mechanics.

In the interest of consistency throughout the state as well as adhering to the OAOA's mantra of "One Mechanic", the OAOA has recommended and the OSAA has adopted both alternate mechanics which will now be used exclusively.

These two mechanics changes, coupled with working opposite the table on free throws, are the only three non-NFHS mechanics authorized by the OSAA. Other than the above, officials shall use only NFHS mechanics/signals.

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