

## OREGON SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

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This information comes directly from the NFHS Basketball Rules Committee. Much discussion is taking place in social media and other places about the following situation:

Here is the play...

- Team A has Team Control in their frontcourt.
- Team B deflects a pass into the air and over the backcourt.
- A3 catches the ball in his/her backcourt, before the ball makes contact with the floor in the backcourt.

### **RULING:**

This is a backcourt violation, since Team A had Team Control in their frontcourt and A3 was the first to touch a ball that still had frontcourt status while A3 was in the backcourt. The deflection of the ball by B does not change the status of the ball.

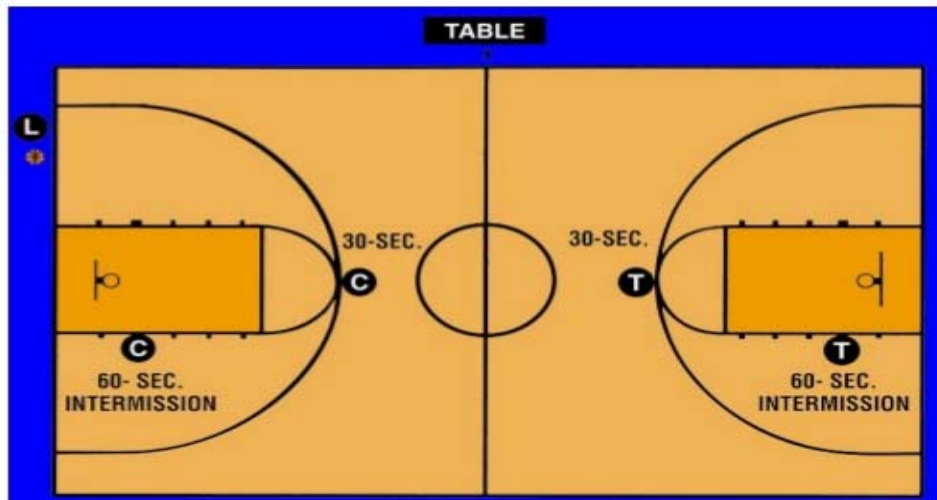
This causes A to be the **last to touch the ball in the frontcourt and the first to touch in the backcourt**. The ball continued to have backcourt status. Similar to A3 catching the ball while standing out-of-bounds.

Some other situations that have come up:

Team A has the ball for a throw-in. Teammates A2, A3 and A4 line up shoulder-to-shoulder parallel to, and within three feet of the line. Legal positioning. If an opponent desires a position between Team A players it must be given.

Some folks are still working on 3-person mechanics and positioning during time-outs. The following diagram clearly shows proper time-out positions. If the ball is to be put in play in the team bench area where teams are huddling, the administering official needs to move out on the floor parallel with the other two officials.

## Time-outs & Intermissions



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