

ART. 17 THROW-IN

Statement 1

Before the thrower-in has released the ball on a throw-in, it is possible that the throwing-in motion could cause that player's hand(s) with the ball to break the plane of the boundary line separating the in-bounds area from the out-of-bounds area. In such situations, it continues to be the responsibility of the defensive player to avoid interfering with the throw-in by contacting the ball while it is still in the hands of the thrower-in.

Example:

A4 is awarded a throw-in. While holding the ball, A4's hand(s) crosses the plane of the boundary line so that the ball is above the in-bounds area. B4 grabs the ball that is in A4's hand(s) or taps the ball out of A4's hand(s) without causing any physical contact against A4.

Interpretation:

B4 has interfered with the throw-in, thereby delaying the resuming of the game. A warning shall be given to B4 and communicated to coach B and this warning shall apply to all team B players for the remainder of the game. Any repetition of a similar action by any team B player may result in a technical foul.

Statement 2

On a throw-in, the thrower-in must pass the ball (not hand the ball) to a team-mate on the playing court.

Example:

On a throw-in by A4, A4 hands the ball to A5 who is on the playing court.

Interpretation:

A throw-in violation has been committed by A4. The ball must leave the player's hand(s) in order for the throw-in to be considered legal. The ball is awarded to team B for a throw-in at the place of the original throw-in.

Statement 3

During the throw-in other player(s) shall not have any part of their bodies over the boundary line before the ball is thrown across the boundary line.

Example 1:

After an out-of-bounds violation A3 has received the ball from the official for the throw-in. A3

- (a) Places the ball on the floor after which the ball is taken by A2
- (b) Hands the ball to A2 in the out-of-bounds area.

Interpretation:

This is a violation of A2 as he moves his body over the boundary line before the ball is thrown by A3 across the boundary line.

Example 2:

After a team A successful field goal or a successful last or only free throw a time-out is granted to team B. Following the time-out B3 receives the ball from the official for a throw-in at the endline. B3

- (a) Places the ball on the floor after which the ball is taken by B2
- (b) Hands the ball to B2, who is also standing behind the endline.

Interpretation:

Legal play. The only restriction for team B to handle the ball on the throw-in is they must pass the ball on the playing court within five (5) seconds.