

Statement 2

The eight (8) second count in the backcourt is stopped because of a jump ball situation. If the resulting alternating possession throw-in is awarded to the team that was in control of the ball, that team shall have only whatever time is remaining in the eight (8) second period.

Example:

Team A has been in control of the ball for five (5) seconds in its backcourt when a held ball occurs. Team A is entitled to the next alternating possession throw-in.

Interpretation:

Team A shall have only three (3) seconds to cause the ball to go into its frontcourt.

Statement 3

During a dribble from the backcourt to the frontcourt, the ball goes into a team's frontcourt when both feet of the dribbler and the ball are in contact with the frontcourt.

Example 1:

A1 is straddling the centre line. He receives the ball from A2 who is in the backcourt. A1 then passes the ball back to A2 who is still in the backcourt.

Interpretation:

Legal play. A1 does not have both feet in the frontcourt and therefore is entitled to pass the ball to the backcourt. The eight (8) second count shall continue.

Example 2:

A2 is dribbling the ball from his backcourt and ends his dribble holding the ball and straddling the centre line. A2 then passes the ball to A1 who is also straddling the centre line.

Interpretation:

Legal play. A2 does not have both feet in the frontcourt and therefore is entitled to pass the ball to A1 who is also not in the frontcourt. The eight (8) second count shall continue.

Example 3:

A2 is dribbling the ball from his backcourt and has one (1) foot (but not both feet) already in the frontcourt. After that A2 passes the ball to A1, who is straddling the centre line. A1 then starts to dribble the ball in his backcourt.

Interpretation:

Legal play. A2 does not have both feet in his frontcourt and therefore is entitled to pass the ball to A1 who is also not in his frontcourt. A1 is therefore entitled to dribble the ball in the backcourt. The eight (8) second count shall continue.

Example 4:

A4 is dribbling the ball from his backcourt and stops his forward motion still dribbling while:

- (a) Straddling the centre line.
- (b) Both feet are in the frontcourt but the ball is being dribbled in the backcourt.
- (c) Both feet are in the backcourt but the ball is being dribbled in the frontcourt.
- (d) Both feet are in the frontcourt while the ball is being dribbled in the backcourt, after which A4 returns both feet to his backcourt.

Interpretation:

In all cases dribbler A4 continues to be in the backcourt until both feet as well as the ball are touching the frontcourt. The eight (8) second count shall continue in each situation.