

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL RULE CHANGE 2011

COURTSPO RTS INC. worked in conjunction with the National Federation of State High School Associations to promote the amendment of a rule that had already been adopted and allowed by the NBA and NCAA.

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Courtsports Inc. was notified by the Oregon State Athletic Association (OSAA) in Jan 2011 that several center court jump circle logos were painted “illegally”. According to the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Basketball Rules Committee a 2 inch solid painted jump circle line is required for all center jump circles. Floors with logos were allowed to have a double pinstripe (shadow line) to represent the outside and inside edge of the center jump circle line.

For many years Courtsports Inc. has applied a single pinstripe to represent the outside edge of the center jump circle line only. The rationale of Courtsports Inc. is that the outside edge of the 2 inch center jump circle game line is only needed to represent a boundary line during a jump ball.

The NFHS allowed a school to have a solid painted center jump circle that did not have a 2 inch game line surrounding the painted circle. In reality this is exactly the same as a single pinstripe to represent the outside edge of a center jump circle.

Both the NBA and NCAA allow for a single pinstripe to represent the outside edge of the 2 inch center jump circle.

Courtsports Inc. worked with the NFHS and on May 5, 2011 the NFHS Basketball Rules Committee amended the rule:

The committee edited Rule 1-3-1 to reflect the current basketball court design, which many high schools already use. The rule now permits at minimum a ¼-inch-wide single line and a line no wider than 2 inches for the center circle.

Rationale: Many existing courts already have a center circle that has a single ¼ -inch line. A mathematical line between two solid colors is also permitted in Table 1-1, Supplement to the Basketball Court, No. 3. This change provides consistency in the rule.

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The NFHS, from its offices in Indianapolis, Indiana, serves its 50 member state high school athletic/activity associations, plus the District of Columbia. The NFHS publishes playing rules in 16 sports for boys and girls competition and administers fine arts programs in speech, theater, debate and music. It provides a variety of program initiatives that reach the 18,500 high schools and over 11 million students involved in athletic and activity programs.