

2024-25 Men's Basketball Rules Changes

The following rules changes were approved by the NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee and the Playing Rules Oversight Panel. These changes will be incorporated into the rules book for the 2024-25 season.

| Rule(s) | Rules Proposal and Rationale |
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| Rules 10-3.1.k and | To amend the current article as follows: "Disrespectfully contacts an official or makes a threat of |
| 10-3.2.h (Class A | physical intimidation or harm to include pushing, shoving, spitting, or attempting to make physical |
| Technical Foul) | contact with an official." The penalty for physically abusing an official is ejection from the contest and |
| | a one-game suspension. |
| | Rationale: The current playing rules do not address any consequences, other than ejection from that game, for any individual who physically abuses a game official. This proposed rule aligns men's basketball with other sports which prescribe additional suspensions for physical abuse of an official. This change also aligns with the Playing Rules Oversight Panel's directive to rules committees to review its rules and penalties surrounding sportsmanship and ethical conduct and reaffirm that those rules adequately address the unsporting behavior occurring during competition. |
| 11-3.1.a | To provide officials the opportunity to review whether the player's last foot prior to leaving the floor |
| (Instant Replay) | was out of bounds prior to releasing a shot as time expired (game clock reading zero) in either half or any overtime period. |
| | Rationale: This change would provide officials with another tool to assist in getting the call right on last second shots. Under the current rules, officials are not able to review out of bounds unless it was called on the floor. In addition, last second shots as time expires are required to be reviewed. This does not add a review as the officials are already over at the monitor reviewing whether the ball was released prior to the expiration of time on the game clock. This review aligns with rules in the NBA and FIBA on this play. |