



BASKETBALL

2026-27 NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL INTERPRETATIONS AND CASE PLAYS By Jeff O'Malley, Secretary-Rules Editor NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee October 15, 2026

Rules Book Corrections

- **Rule 1-22.5** – Add: *Exception Rule 1-22.7.a.2*
- **Rule 1-22.7.a.1.d** - A logo that replaces an institutional name, nickname, or mascot name may only be used in the front neutral zone. *There is no size limitation to this institutional logo when it is replacing an institutional name, nickname, or mascot name in this manner.* This does not preclude the use of an institutional logo as in Rule 1-22.7.c.
- **Rule 1-22.7.a.2** – Add: *A maximum of two commercial or nonprofit logos are permitted on the uniform or any piece of apparel.*
- **Rule 1-22.7.c** – Add: *Note: A logo containing, or is exclusively, the name/logo of a commercial or not for profit organization is not permitted in Division II and Division III.*
- **Rule 1-23.8 (new)** - *(Division I only) A maximum of two commercial or nonprofit logos are permitted on the uniform or any item of supplemental apparel within Rule 1-23. Any logo may not exceed 4 square inches.*
- **Rule 1-25.1** - A single manufacturer's or distributor's normal logo, label, or trademark shall be contained within a four-sided geometrical space (i.e., rectangle) with an area that does not exceed **4 square inches** and is permitted once on the game jersey, once on the game shorts and once on all other items of apparel.
- **Rule 1-25.3** - When an institution's uniform or any item of apparel worn by a student-athlete contains an identification label or washing instructions, they shall be located not more than 2 inches from the bottom of the game jersey's torso and the entire label shall be contained within a four-sided geometrical space with an area not to exceed **4 square inches**.
- **Rule 2-9.19 (new)** – Record Coach's Challenges



Case Book Corrections

- **A.R. 5-33** - Team A is in a game involving the electronic-media timeout format with four timeouts that are scheduled to occur at the first dead ball at or after the 16-, 12-, 8-, and 4-minute marks when the game clock is stopped. There has been no stoppage in play since the 9-minute mark. With 3:30 remaining in the game, A1 is fouled on a try for goal. When the foul on A1 occurs, neither the 8-minute nor the 4-minute media timeouts have occurred. When do the electronic-media timeouts occur?

RULING: The 8-minute media timeout shall be taken at the first dead ball which, in this case, is the foul assessed to A1 with 3:30 remaining in the game. The 4-minute media timeout shall be taken at the next dead ball after the clock has properly started. (Note: This only applies when there is a missed media timeout. It is still possible to have a media timeout followed by the first called timeout of the second half without the clock starting).

- **A.R. 11-32** - The officials fail to observe a foul by a Team A player near the end of the first period. The teams and the officials leave the confines of the court for the halftime intermission. When the teams appear to begin the second period, the Team B coach appeals to the officials for a monitor review of a first period play involving a potential unobserved flagrant foul. Are the officials permitted to review the play under the Instant Replay rule and assess a flagrant foul if warranted?

RULING: Yes, as long as the flagrant foul was committed within the statute of limitations set forth in Rule 11-2.1.d.2. The foul will be charged to the player and it counts towards the first half foul total. Two free throws will be awarded to the offended player, if any points are scored they will be credited to the first half, and the second half will start with the ball awarded to the offended team at the division line with no change to the alternating possession arrow. However, if the officials determine that no flagrant foul was committed or the foul was committed outside of the statute of limitations, the appealing coach shall be charged a timeout which would be charged to the first half. (Rules 5-7.4, 11-2.1.d.2 and 11-2.1.d.4)