

Flea Division further clarifications to be discussed during coaches/team meetings. This is on behalf of teams hosting state and district tournament per request of state host. Any other situation/s not covered below are to be dealt with per judgment of official and tournament director.

Flea basketball (Page 78 – add a #8): **Fastbreaks are not allowed after a shot or attempted shot.** This change was made since there is no back court pressing allowed. This includes air balls as the ball does not have to touch the backboard or rim for a shot to be attempted.

Attempted shot vs attempted pass= judgment call of official and is not a protestable item.

Backcourt pressing has not been allowed ever since flea was created. The change concerning fast-breaks came about due to issues last year in district and state events.

When can a team not fast-break?

- When team “A” attempts/takes/makes a shot not fast break is allowed period...
- Defensive players cannot fast break upon a defensive rebound, made basket, or missed shot attempt.
- When or if a rebound is received by defensive team, all players on opposing team **MUST** advance drop back to half court prior to making/taking any defensive action.
- Once the ball has crossed mid-court defense can be played, penalty: stop game and verbally command defense to back up to mid-court line(half-court)
 - o If behavior continues [not moving down court] and player/s continue to play defense in backcourt it is **up to official** as to whether the same individual is continuing to cause problems or not as to call unsportsmanlike conduct and issue techs or other penalties as is the custom with any other unsportsmanlike call/issue.
- Offensive team will be held backcourt until ALL defensive players are in front court/across midline of court.
- Once the offensive team has crossed mid- court and the ball is stolen or a change of possession not involving a shot, attempted shot or air ball then a fast break may occur.

When can the ball be advanced past the half court line/fastbreak?

- Steal, interception of pass, [anytime other than attempted shot, made shot, or defensive rebound from shot]
- After defensive rebound and other team “Team B” is now on defense and “Team A” is now on offense and defensive players are across mid-line/halfcourt.
- Bring in on side court.
- Any other possession that does not derive from shot, attempted shot made/missed or air ball.

What are the penalties for violating the “fast break” rule or what are the procedures involved:

- Unsportsmanlike conduct may be called for teams that have been excessively warned and not complied with request to back up players- not to backcourt press. (Judgment call by official)
- Procedure: Official will- holdup play/stop play and move defense across mid court line. This can occur without new offensive team having to bring ball in. Play will in other words “pause” until defensive players are across court. If ball is picked up during this pause, change of possession will not occur. The ball/team will resume dribble and play will continue. Time will not stop or time be placed back “on clock” during this moving of players down court.