



MEMORANDUM

July 25, 2007

TO: Men's and Women's Basketball Coaches, Athletics Directors and Conference Commissioners.

FROM: Larry Keating, chair
NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee

Ronda Seagraves, chair
NCAA Women's Basketball Rules Committee.

SUBJECT: Significant Basketball Rules Updates.

The Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) did not approve the NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee's recommendation to allow a manufacturer's or distributor's label or trademark on the game jersey or the game pants. The current rule, which allows a single manufacturer's or distributor's mark on the game pants, will be maintained.

The extension of the three-point line for Divisions I, II and III men's basketball was approved by PROP with an effective implementation date for the 2008-09 season. The rules change will require the addition of a line, specific to Divisions I, II and III men's basketball courts in time for the 2008-09 basketball season.

The current rule requires two separate lines, in contrasting colors, to be used to designate the men's and women's three-point lines. The use of a wide band to designate the men's and women's lines is not permitted by rule. Any revision to this rule would have to be forwarded and approved by both the NCAA Men's and Women's Basketball Rules Committees.

The most effective and efficient method for marking the new line is measuring 10 inches back from the outside edge of the current line. This will indicate the inside edge of the recently adopted men's three-point line. The 10-inch difference should be measured at various points along the existing line and when determining placement of the extended men's line. The men's three-point line shall be a solid, 2-inch wide line with the back edge measuring 20 feet, 9 inches.

"Frequently asked questions" are attached along with a diagram to assist you. If you have questions, please contact Ed Bilik (edbilik@aol.com) for men's basketball, Debbie Williamson (williamsondebbie@yahoo.com) for women's basketball or Ty Halpin (thalpin@ncaa.org).

LK/RS:nkb

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