



NEW FIBA RULES – EDJBA IMPLEMENTING 3RD FEBRUARY 2018

The EDJBA will be implementing the new FIBA on court rules as of round 10 on 3rd of February 2018 in order to be consistent with other basketball competitions.

Below are brief explanations to both the new Travel Rule and the Criteria for the Unsportsmanlike Rule. There are also 2 links from Basketball Victoria that thoroughly explain both rules, the videos are quite long (about 12 minutes and 18 minutes) but are worth watching to fully understand the changes.

The Travel Rule

Please note there is NO CHANGE to the travel rule regarding players who receive the ball while stationary. There are NO extra steps permitted and the player must still release the ball BEFORE lifting the pivot foot when commencing a dribble. This is UNCHANGED.

The rule has changed for players who gain control of the ball while **on the move**. Essentially, they are allowed an extra step. This will become effective for the “spin move”, “catch and dribble” and “catch and shoot” situations and allow these moves to become legal play.

<https://vimeo.com/244767288#at=0>

The Criteria for Unsportsmanlike Fouls

The following are the 5 criteria for Unsportsmanlike Fouls as per FIBA rules:

1. **Criteria 1 (C1):** Not a legitimate attempt to play the ball within the spirit and intent of the rules.
2. **Criteria 2 (C2):** Excessive, hard contact caused by a player in an effort to play the ball or an opponent.
3. **Criteria 3 (C3):** An unnecessary contact caused by the defensive player in order to stop the progress of the offensive team in transition. This applies until the offensive player begins the act of shooting.
4. **Criteria 4 (C4):** Contact by the defensive player from behind or laterally on an opponent in an attempt to stop the fast break and there is no defensive player between the offensive player and the opponent’s basket. This applies until the offensive player begins the act of shooting.
5. **Criteria 5 (C5):** Contact by the defensive player on an opponent on the playing court during the last 2 minutes in the last period and in each extra period, when the ball is out-of-bounds for a throw-in and still the hands of the official or at the disposal of the player taking the throw-in.

<https://vimeo.com/247241083>

These changes may take some time for players, coaches, referees and spectators to get used to, and we ask that all participants exercise patience while this transition takes place.