

POINT OF INTERRUPTION CHART

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The point of interruption is defined as the point in a game in which a stoppage of play occurs (Rule 4-22). One of the reasons for using point of interruption is to resume play after a technical foul is called. The following chart should provide clarity in determining the point of interruption when any technical foul(s) is called.

Play is stopped for, followed by any technical foul(s)	The location for point of interruption is:	The team entitled to the ball
A floor violation	The out-of-bounds spot nearest to where the violation occurred.	The team entitled to the ball as a result of the floor violation, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
A held ball	The out-of-bounds spot nearest to where the held ball occurred.	The team entitled to the ball as a result of the alternating-possession arrow, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
An inadvertent whistle (excluding a try in flight)	The out-of-bounds spot nearest to where the ball was located when the inadvertent whistle occurred.	The team in control when the inadvertent whistle occurred and charged, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
An inadvertent whistle while a try is in flight	 When the try is successful, the out-of-bounds spot is the end line. When the try is unsuccessful, the out-of-bounds spot nearest to where the try was unsuccessful. 	1) The team not credited with the score, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team. 2) The team entitled to the ball as a result of the alternating-possession arrow, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.

Play is stopped for, followed by any technical foul(s)	The location for point of interruption is:	The team entitled to the ball
A timeout	The out of bounds spot nearest to where the ball was located when the timeout was called.	The team in control when the timeout was granted and charged, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
A personal foul (committed against a player who is not in the act of shooting)	 If the offended team is not in the bonus, the POI is the out-of-bounds spot nearest to where the foul occurred. If the offended team is in the bonus, the POI is the free throws. 	1) The team entitled to the ball as a result of the foul, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team. 2) Play resumes with the free throws for the common foul, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
A personal foul (in the act of shooting)	The endline, as the POI is the free throws for the personal foul.	Play resumes with the free throws for the common foul, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
An unsportsmanlike or disqualifying foul	The division line opposite the scorers' table.	The team offended by the unsportsmanlike foul, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
A technical foul	The out-of-bound spot nearest to where the ball was located when play was stopped for the technical foul.	The team in control when the technical foul was charged, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
A double or simultaneous personal foul, or fouls of equal gravity	The out-of-bounds spot nearest to where the ball was located when the double/simultaneous foul or fouls of equal gravity occurred.	The team in control when the double or simultaneous foul or fouls of equal gravity occurred, unless one of the technical foul penalties includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.
Fouls committed by opposing players, one of which is unsportsmanlike or disqualifying	The division line opposite the scorers' table.	The team offended by the unsportsmanlike or disqualifying foul, unless the technical foul penalty includes an awarded throw-in to the offended team.

Play 1: Following a held ball, A1 is assessed a technical foul for (a) unsporting conduct or (b) pushing B1. The AP arrow favors Team A.

Ruling 1: In (a), any Team B member will shoot two free throws and play will resume with an AP throw-in to Team A at the point of interruption, which is the out-of bounds spot nearest to where the held ball occurred. In (b), any Team B member will shoot two free throws and play will resume with a throw-in to Team B at the division line opposite the scorers' table.

Play 2: A1 fouls dribbler B1. After the whistle, B1 is assessed: (a) a technical foul for unsporting conduct or (b) an unsportsmanlike foul. Team B is not in the bonus.

Ruling 2: In (a) Any Team A member will shoot two free throws for B1's unsporting technical foul and play will resume with a throw-in to Team B at the point of interruption, which is the out-of-bounds spot nearest to where A1's foul was committed. In (b), Any Team A member will shoot two free throws for B1's unsportsmanlike foul and play will resume with a throw-in to Team A at the division line opposite the scorers' table.

Play 3: A1 fouls dribbler B1. After the whistle, B1 is assessed (a) a technical foul for unsporting conduct or (b) an unsportsmanlike foul. Team B is in the bonus.

Ruling 3: In (a), any Team A member will shoot two free throws for B1's unsporting technical foul and play will resume at the point of interruption, which is B1's free throws for A1's personal foul. In (b), following B1's free throws for A1's personal foul, any Team A member will shoot two free throws for B1's unsportsmanlike foul and Team A will be awarded the ball for a designated spot throw-in at the division line opposite the scorers' table.

Play 4: A1 commits an unsportsmanlike foul against B1. After the whistle, B1 is assessed (a) a technical foul for unsporting conduct or (b) an unsportsmanlike foul.

Ruling 4: In (a), any Team A member will attempt the two free throws for B1's player/substitute technical foul, followed by any Team B member attempting two free throws for A1's unsportsmanlike foul. Play resumes with a throw-in by Team B at a designated spot at the division line opposite the scorers' table. In (b), any Team B member will attempt the two free throws for A1's unsportsmanlike foul, followed by any Team A member attempting two free throws for B1's unsportsmanlike foul. Play will resume with a throw-in by Team A at a designated spot at the division line opposite the scorers' table.

Play 5: While A1 is dribbling the ball, A2 is assessed a player/substitute technical foul for unsporting conduct. After the whistle, Team A's head coach is assessed a bench technical foul for unsporting conduct.

Ruling 5: Any Team B member will shoot the two free throws for A2's player/substitute technical foul, followed by any Team B member shooting two free throws for the bench technical foul assessed to Team A's head coach. Play will resume with a throw-in by Team A at the point of interruption, which is the out-of-bounds spot nearest to where the ball was located when A2 was assessed her technical foul.