

## **Pre-Game Checklist and Outline**

1. Arrival on court  
15 minutes for NFHS
2. Pre-Game Meetings  
Captains at 13:00 minutes  
Check the book , game ball  
Table crew  
Introduction to coaches
3. New Rules
4. Points of Emphasis
5. Any prior knowledge of teams (press?, aggressive defense?, post or perimeter game?)

## **Game Philosophy**

1. Stay in your primary area and trust your partner(s)
2. Call the obvious
3. Protect the shooter
4. Referee the defense and be aware of the offense
5. Take of business early  
Handchecking  
Post play  
Illegal Screens  
3-seconds in the lane  
Block/charge
6. Be consistent from start to finish (both ends of floor, both halves)
7. Positioning for open look
8. Patient whistle, let the play develop, see the whole play (anticipate the play, not the whistle)
9. Attitude and Ego

## **Primary Areas and Responsibility**

1. Trail Positioning
2. Center Positioning
3. Lead Positioning
4. Double Whistles
5. Trouble Spots
6. Things that can get us in trouble
7. Rotation Mechanics
8. Help situations  
out of bounds  
shooters  
Pass/crash  
goal tending/basket interference

## **Clock Management**

1. Game clock
2. Last minute of the half/game
3. Unusual Situations

## **Bench Decorum**

1. Coaches - stay calm, be professional
2. Players-use captains
3. Technical Foul situations

## **Game Management**

1. Foul Selection
2. Dead Ball Officiating
3. Technical Fouls
4. Correctable errors
5. Unusual Plays
6. Communication
7. Have Fun