

COURT MARKINGS: Coaching Box.

1-13-2 The coaching box shall be outlined outside the side of the court on which the scorer's and timer's table and team benches are located. The area shall be bounded by a line drawn 14 feet from the end line towards the mid-court. At this point a line drawn from the sideline toward the team bench becomes the end of the coaching box going towards the end line. From this line go another 14 feet towards the mid-court, then a line drawn towards the bench becomes the end of the coaching box closest to mid-court. The coaching box is 14 feet long placed in the middle of the regulation 42 feet long half court. These lines shall be located off the court and be 2 inches wide. (For a court less than regulation size, the measurement would start 14 feet from the mid-court line, in order to allow proper distance from the scorer).

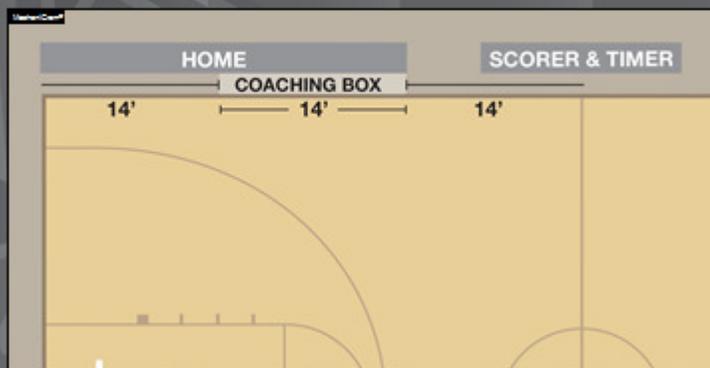
The spirit of this editorial change is to maintain a consistent Coaching Box for each gym under the NFHS rule set. Please see the attached diagram for information. In order for the coaching box rule to be used, the Officials will insist that these lines are clearly marked for every game. A "coaching box" game will not start without these markings. It is not the official's responsibility to mark the floor. It is the responsibility of the home team to do so for both benches. The marking shall be done well before players are even in the gym. I am trying to avoid any issues. I would not want to see someone putting tape on the floor during warm-ups for example. This is why this note is going out to you now, rather than passing the info through referees. **If the area is not marked according to the parameters of the rule, the game can be played without a coaching box, but in such a case the coach may only stand to ask for time out, to talk to players on the bench, or to applaud spontaneously. At all other times the coach would have to be seated while the clock is running.**



EDITORIAL CHANGE

REFEREE

Court Rule 1-13-2



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