

# Official's Pre-Game - Generic

## Crew chief lead pre-game (@07:00 minutes)

with co-officials, including table and head coaches, game day delegate (and both captains if you wish).

Reference new rules for this season (if any)

Rules for this game/division

What we expect from players and coaches (game management)

Asking for time-outs and substitutions

Communicating with on-floor and table officials.

Any issues the officiating crew need to know?

## Game Protocols

Coaches must stay in their boxes  
 Only one coach to be standing from each team  
 Only recorded head-coach able to ask officials questions  
 Only team/on-court captain can ask officials questions.  
 Players to ask table for substitutions, not coaches.

Bad language or behaviour  
 What is accepted or tolerable conduct  
 Potential problems  
 Game management concerns

## Game Management

Playing the advantage (RSPQ)  
 Legal guarding position (cylinder)  
  
 Eye contact with all officials, on floor & table  
 Verbally and visually confirming free-throws  
 Warnings to players  
 Technical Fouls (Coach, Bench, Player, 'W' Warning)  
 Fighting / Bench clearance

Call the obvious!  
 Accidental contact vs. legitimate contact

Double/Triple whistles  
 Warnings to coaches  
 Unsportsmanlike fouls  
 Correctable errors

## Mechanics - AoR

AoR (Area of Responsibility)  
 Lead primary coverage  
 Moving along the baseline/mirror  
 Setting up on lead  
 Closing down  
 Rebounding

Lead looking for foul on shooter  
 Trail looking up for hand checks/interference  
 Back court  
 Pressing (referee positions)  
 (Rotation (3PO))  
 DON' BALL WATCH!

## Interaction with the Table Officials

Are they ready to start?  
 Regular eye contact.

Listen for horns / buzzers  
*substitutions and time-outs.*

## Post-Game

Leave as a crew  
 Review game; missed calls etc

Self evaluate (see next page)  
 Report to the league any issues or concerns

## FINAL THOUGHTS

Be consistent in your officiating and with your co-official.  
 Talk to each other.

Trust your co-official.