

# NFHS Basketball - Summary of Fighting Rules (4-18, 10-7)

Fighting is a **flagrant act** and can occur when the ball is dead or live. It includes, but is not limited to, acts such as:

- An **attempt** to strike, punch or kick by using a fist, hands, arms, legs or feet **regardless of whether contact is made.**
- An **attempt to instigate a fight** by committing an unsporting act that causes a person to retaliate by fighting.

## Penalties

Players on the Floor Participate in Fight	
Were there a corresponding number of players involved?	
Yes	No
Double Flagrant Fouls are Assessed	Flagrant Foul for Each Participant
All Participants are Disqualified	
No Free Throws are Awarded	<b><u>TWO FREE-THROWS</u></b> Awarded to Offended Team for <b><u>EACH ADDITIONAL</u></b> Player
Resume Play via POI	Offended Team Awarded Division Line Throw-In

**Bench Personnel Leaves Bench -- DOES NOT Participate**  
*(in Actual Fight or if a Fight May Break Out)*

Were there a corresponding number of players involved?	
Yes	No
Flagrant Foul for Each Bench Personnel Leaving Bench	
Each Bench Personnel (Leaving Bench) is Disqualified	
Head Coach Assessed a Maximum of <b>ONE</b> Indirect Technical Foul -Regardless of Number Leaving Bench	
No Free Throws	<b>MAXIMUM</b> of <b>TWO</b> Free-Throws Awarded to Offended Team
Resume Play via POI	Division Line Throw-In Opposite Table for Offended Team

**Bench Personnel Leaves Bench -- DOES Participate**  
*(in Actual Fight or if a Fight May Break Out)*

Were there a corresponding number of players involved?	
Yes	No
Flagrant Foul for Each Participant	
Each Bench Personnel (Leaving Bench & Participating) is Disqualified	
Head Coach Assessed <b>ONE</b> Indirect Technical Foul - For <b>EACH PERSON</b> leaving bench and participating.	
No Free Throws	<b>TWO FREE-THROWS</b> Awarded to Offended Team for <b>EACH ADDITIONAL PERSON</b> leaving bench
Resume Play via POI	Division Line Throw-In Opposite Table for Offended Team