

2024 RULES UPDATE

GOAL AFTER WHISTLE

Buzzer beaters! We all love them, but how do you know if the goal counts? In the past, the ball had to pass completely through the ring before the whistle to be counted.

Now, if the whistle to end play or to hold time is blown after the ball has left the hands of the shooter & the shot is successful, the goal will be scored.

WHY HAS THIS CHANGED?

It is **easier for the umpire to assess whether the ball has left the player's hands** when time is blown and signalled, than to assess whether the ball has passed wholly through the ring.

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If the shot is unsuccessful there's only two reasons that a penalty pass will be awarded for an infringement after the ball has left their hands:



INTERFERENCE WITH GOALPOST

If a defending player has caused the goalpost to move which interferes with the shot.

DOWNWARD DEFLECTION

If a defending player deflects the ball on its **downwards** path towards the ring.

THE DETAILS

In the situation where the penalty has been awarded and then timekeeper signals for time, the umpire will blow the whistle for time and then advise the players that the penalty can be taken.

If this occurs at the end of a period of play, play will be extended for the penalty pass to be taken including any subsequent infringements at that penalty pass.



BALL HAS LEFT HANDS = GOAL

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SCORING A GOAL
HAND SIGNAL