



OFFICIAL NFHS BASKETBALL SIGNALS

Starting and stopping clock	1	2	3	4	5	Information	6
	Start clock	Stop clock	Stop clock for jump/held ball	Stop clock for foul	Stop clock for foul (optional bird dog)		Directional signal
	7	8	9	10	11		12
	Designated spot	Visible counts	Beckoning substitutes	60-second time-out	30-second time-out		Not closely guarded
Shooting/scoring	13	14	15	16	17	18	
	No score	Goal counts	Point(s) scored use 1 or 2 fingers after signal 13	3-point field goal Attempt and if successful	Bonus free throw for 2nd throw, drop one arm – for 2 throws, use 1 arm with 2 fingers – for three throws, use 1 arm with 3 fingers	Delayed lane violation	

Violations	19	20	21	22	Fouls	29	30	31
								
	Traveling	Illegal dribble	Palming/ carrying the ball	Over and back		Illegal use of hand	Hand check	Holding
	23	24	25	32		33	34	35
	3-second violation							
		5-second violation	10-second violation	Blocking		Pushing or charging	Player-control foul	Team-control foul
	* Open hand - run end line							
	26	27	28	36		37	38	
								
	Free throw, designated spot, or other violation	Excessively swinging arm(s)/elbow(s)	Kicking	Intentional foul		Double foul	Technical foul	