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CONTACT: GENERAL PRINCIPLES CYLINDER & VERTICALITY

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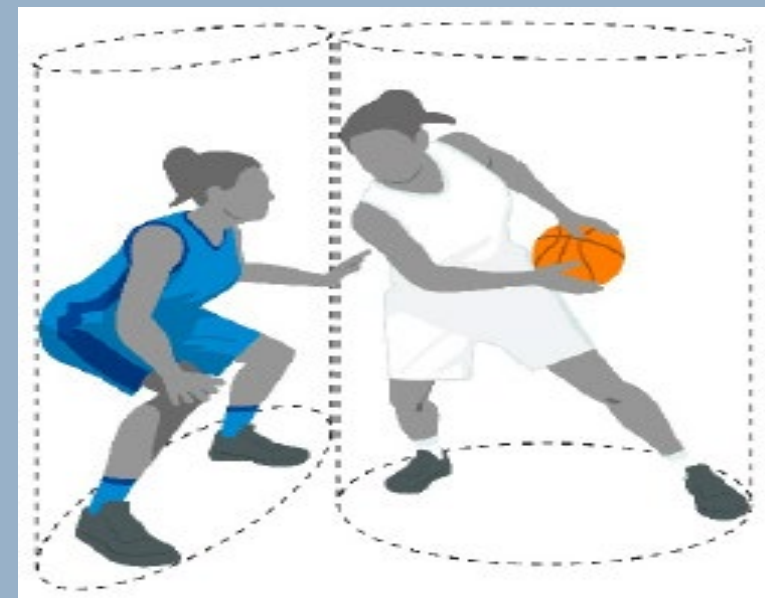


CYLINDER PRINCIPLE

Space within an imaginary cylinder occupied by a player on the court

DIMENSIONS

- Distance between the player's feet shall vary according to his height
- Space above the player
- Limited by the boundaries of the player's cylinder

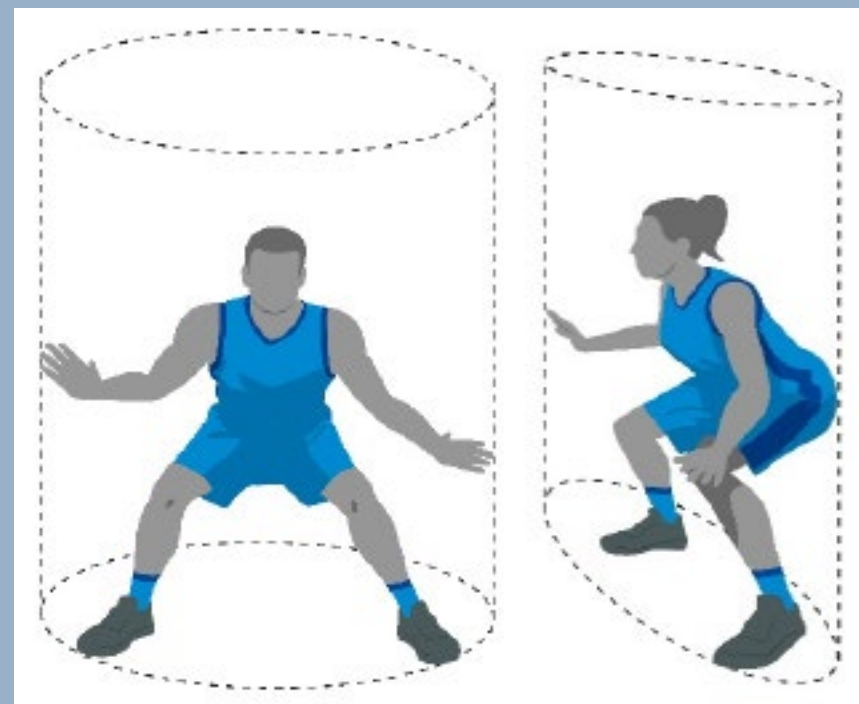




BOUNDARIES

DEFENSIVE PLAYER & OFFENSIVE PLAYER WITHOUT THE BALL

- Front by the palms of the hand
- Rear by the buttocks
- Sides by the outer edge of the arm and legs

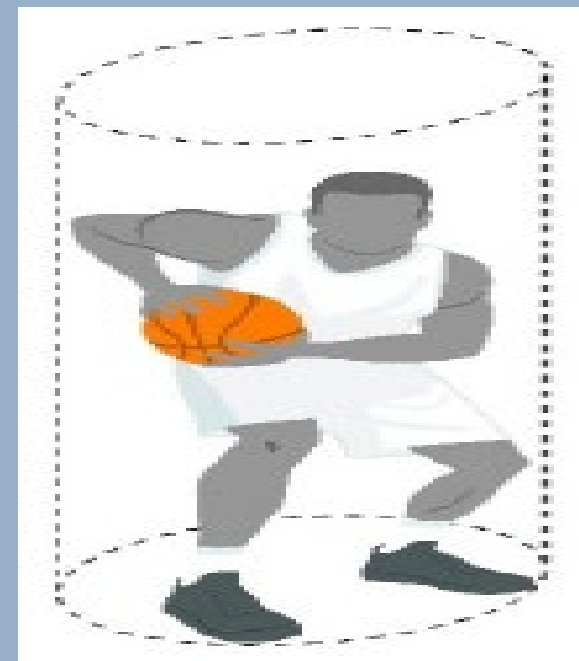




BOUNDARIES

OFFENSIVE PLAYER WITH THE BALL

- Front by the feet, bent knees and arms, holding the ball above the hips
- Rear by the buttocks
- Sides by the outer edge of the arm and legs

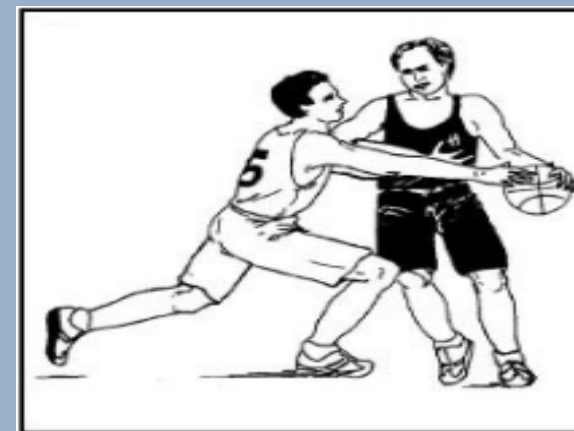




RESTRICTIONS

DEFENSIVE PLAYER

- Shall not enter the cylinder of the offensive player with the ball and cause illegal contact when offensive player is attempting a normal basketball play (*dribble, pivoting, shooting and passing*)



OFFENSIVE PLAYER WITH THE BALL

- Cannot spread his arms or legs outside his cylinder and cause an illegal contact in order to gain additional space

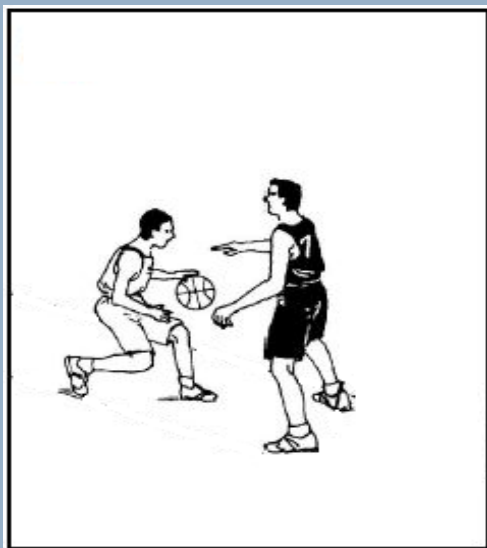




PRINCIPLE OF VERTICALITY

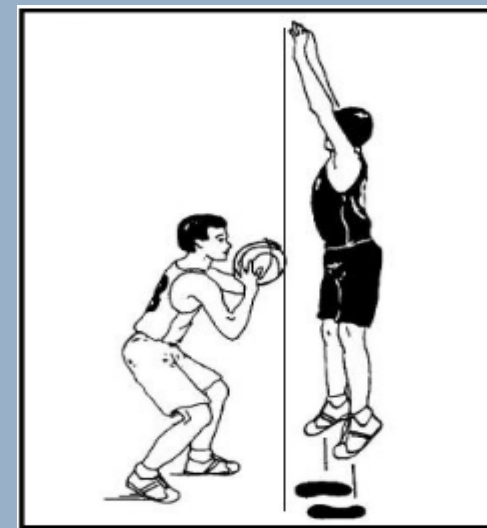
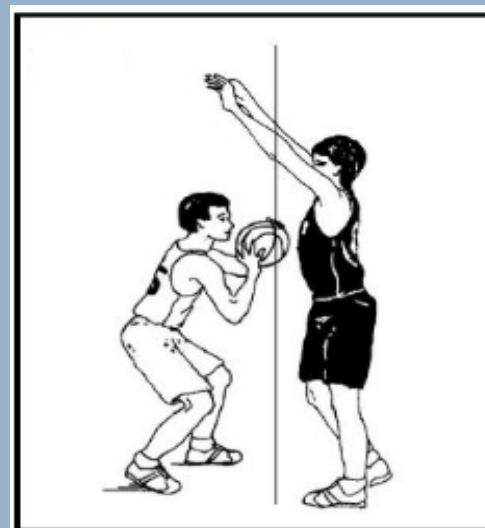
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Can occupy any position (cylinder) on the court not already occupied by an opponent



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Protects space occupied on the court and space above him when he jumps vertically within the space





PRINCIPLE OF VERTICALITY

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Player who leaves his vertical position is responsible for the contact if an opponent has already established his vertical position

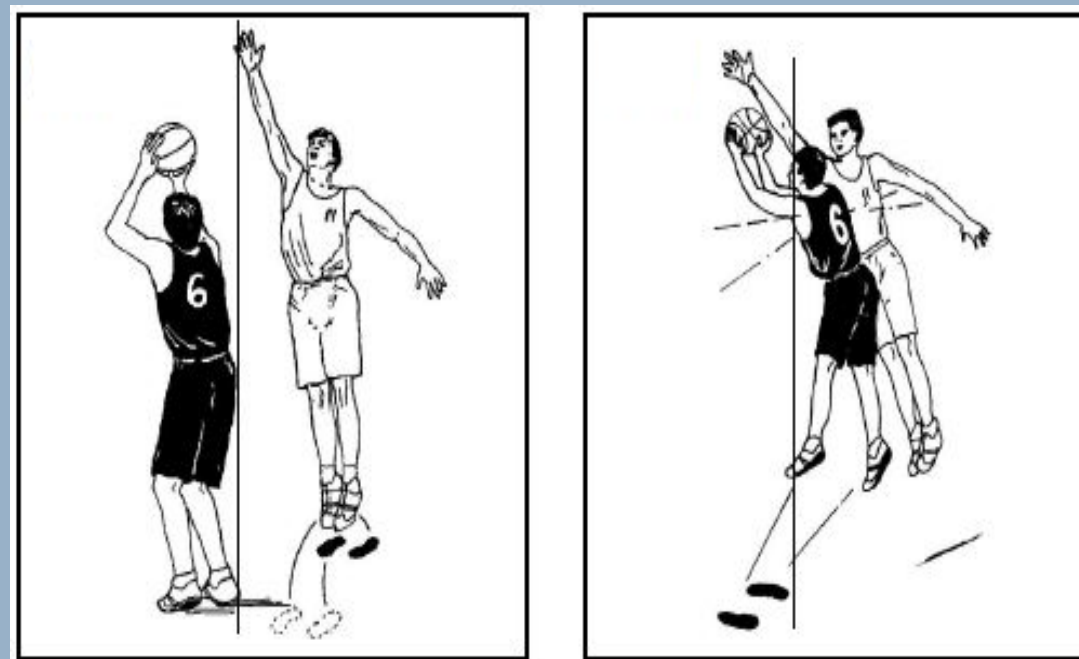




PRINCIPLE OF VERTICALITY

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Defensive player must not be penalised for leaving the court vertically and having his hands and arms extended above him within his cylinder



PRINCIPLE OF VERTICALITY

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Offensive player (*on court or airborne*) shall not cause contact with the defensive player in a legal guarding position by

- Using his arms/legs to create more space
- Spreading his legs or arms during or immediately after a shot for goal

