

NOTE:

The two versions of Poser 16 (original and revised) are very similar with similar outcomes, however in the case of the original Foul situation the outcome might be interpreted differently.

If the referee was of the opinion that Player B's actions were deliberate he could well adjudicate that the incoming player could play from 'In Hand'.

In this instance an official warning would almost certainly be issued to the offending player as well.

Quite often, when assessing situations such as those presented in Posers it is important to understand the variations of what action may be taken depending on the environment and conditions the match is being played under. Being present at the time is often the only way this could be accurately assessed and addressed.

RECOMMENDATION

It is highly recommended that whenever the Cue Ball is 'In Hand' that the referee keep the cue ball in his control until such time as he can hand it to a 'Ready' incoming striker.

Adopting this practice will avoid having to make a contentious decision and prevent what could become an awkward situation, from developing.

Regards,

John & Larry