

"Be The Referee" is a series of one-minute podcasts designed to help educate people on the rules of different sports, to help them better understand the art of officiating, and to recruit officials. "Be The Referee" features insights from MHSAA experts on officiating. These messages can be heard on This Week In High School Sports, which airs on over 100 radio stations and audio web outlets across Michigan.

Oct. 26, 2021 -- We're on the volleyball court today where Team A's back-row setter is in the front zone near the net and jumps to try to make the team's second contact. The ball enters the plane of the net where Team A's back-row setter and Team B's front row player simultaneously touch the ball above the top of the net. What's the call?

Illegal block on Team A's back-row setter.

A back-row player attempting to play a ball in the space directly above the net is considered an illegal blocker if the ball is attacked or blocked by an opponent into the back-row player while reaching above the height of the net.

Team B would receive a point and would be next to serve.