



**NCAA Men's and Women's Water Polo
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Interpretations/Clarifications**

Interpretation for Rule 5-1, 5-3 and 6-14 – Shot Completed

Situation: A shot is taken by the Blue team, hits the crossbar and rebounds back into the field of play where it hits a player on the White team on the back of the head and goes out of bounds over the goal line. Which team should be awarded the ball and from where should the free throw be taken.

Interpretation: Pursuant to **Rule 5-1, 5-3, and 6-14**, a shot is considered completed when any of the following occur:

- (1)The ball goes completely past the goal line between the goal posts and under the cross bar.
(Goal)
- (2)The ball goes out of bounds over the end line or sideline.
- (3)The ball hits any part of the goal and rebounds into the field of play.
- (4)The ball is blocked by a player on either team and rebounds into the field of play.

Answer:

Because the shot was considered completed when the ball rebounded off the crossbar and into the field of play, a corner throw is awarded to the Blue team because a player on the White team was responsible for sending the ball out of bounds after the shot was completed.
