

Zero Tolerance Policy

Players

A minor penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct (zero tolerance) shall be assessed whenever a player:

1. Openly disputes or argues any decision of an official.
2. Use obscene or vulgar language at any time, even if it is not directed at any particular person.
3. Visually demonstrates any sign of dissatisfaction with an official's decision.

Any time that player persists in any of the above actions, the player shall be assessed a misconduct penalty (10 minutes). A Game Misconduct (with associated suspension) shall result if the actions continue.

Coaches

A bench minor for unsportsmanlike conduct (zero tolerance) shall be assessed whenever a coach:

1. Openly argues or disputes any decision by an official.
2. Uses obscene or vulgar language to anyone at anytime.
3. Visually displays any sign of dissatisfaction with an official's decision, including standing on the boards, standing in the bench doorway in an attempt to incite players, spectators, or officials.

Anytime that coach persists in the above behavior a Game Misconduct will be assessed (with associated suspension).

Officials

Officials are required to conduct themselves in a businesslike, sportsmanlike, impartial, and constructive manner at all times. Actions such as "baiting" or inciting are strictly prohibited. Such actions will make the referee subject to disciplinary action.