

Sanctioning Players and Coaches

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Unsporting conduct includes:

- actions which are unbecoming to an ethical, fair and honorable individual
- acts of deceit, disrespect or vulgarity, including taunting



Unsporting conduct for a coach, substitute or team attendant

- Usings acts or words when an opponent is about to play the ball;
- Entering the court while ball is in play;
- Attempting to influence decision by a referee;



Unsporting conduct for a coach, substitute or team attendant

 Disrespectfully addressing a referee or anyone involved in the contest;

Questioning a referee's judgment;

Holding unauthorized conferences;



Unsporting conduct for a coach, substitute or team attendant

- Attempting the re-entry of a disqualified player;
- Illegally leaving the designated bench during the set;
- Making any excessive requests designed to disrupt the set;
- Abusing the re-serve rule.



Unsporting conduct for a player includes:

- Usings acts or words when an opponent is about to play the ball;
- Disrespectfully addressing referee or other match officials;
- Questioning, trying to influence or showing disgust with referee's decisions;



Unsporting conduct for a player includes:

- Using profane or insulting language or gestures or baiting/taunting anyone involved in the contest;
- Making any contact with opponent which is deemed unnecessary
- Using any part of a teammate's body or any object to gain physical support for advantage in playing the ball;



Unsporting conduct for a player includes:

- Deliberately serving prior to signal for serve;
- Abusing re-serve rule;
- Spitting other than into the proper receptacle;
- Making any excessive requests designed to disrupt the set.



Unsporting conduct shall be penalized as follows:

- Warning (yellow card) for first minor offenses;
- Unsporting penalty (red card) for first serious offense or second minor offense and loss of rally/point awarded to opponent;



Unsporting conduct shall be penalized as follows:

- Disqualification (yellow and red card displayed apart) for first flagrant offense, second serious offense; or third minor offense and loss of rally/point awarded to opponent.
- Offender is disqualified from further participation in match; may be removed from the vicinity of team bench.



Procedure for Unsporting Conduct Violations:

R1 shall administer the cards as follows:

- Hold the card(s) in the hand(s) on the offending team's side of the court with the arm outstretched, elbow bent 90 degrees and hand(s) held head-high
- Indicate to the R2 the number of the player(s) or which coach is receiving the card



Procedure for Unsporting Conduct Violations:

R2 shall administer the cards as follows:

- move to the offending team's side of the net and take a few steps onto the court toward the R1
- holds the card(s) in the middle of his/her chest and indicates verbally the number of the offending player(s) or coach.



Procedure for Unsporting Conduct Violations:

CARD PROCEDURES FOR UNSPORTING CONDUCT VIOLATIONS

Second Referee Communicating with First Referee First Referee Administering Cards









 The R1, as the head official, sets the tone for the match and is responsible for controlling the unsporting conduct of coaches, players and/or other team personnel.

 It is the responsibility of the R1 to immediately administer any card(s) requested by the R2.



- A red card or a yellow and red card may be issued on a first unsporting conduct violation, if the situation warrants.
- The R2 directs the scorer to record the information in the Comment Section of the scoresheet for that set.
- All cards carry over from set to set throughout the match.



- When unsporting conduct occurs from the bench or court and the referees cannot determine the specific offender(s), the warning or penalty is issued to the head coach.
- If the team captain asks in a proper manner, the R1 shall give the reason for the penalty, but shall not permit further discussion of the penalty.



- Any cards issued for unsporting conduct prior to the first set or between sets shall be administered at the beginning of the set immediately following the violation.
- Requests such as time-out, serving order check, substitution, etc. shall not be recognized until after the card(s) is administered.



When the head coach receives a RED for unsporting conduct, ALL coaches shall remain seated for the remainder of the match except to request a time out or substitution or to confer with the official during a dead ball.

When a spectator becomes unruly or interferes with the orderly progress of the set, the R1 shall suspend the set until host management resolves the









RED AND YELLOW CARDS ... Know When and How to Use Them!





