

# VJBL Behaviour Policy



## VJBL BEHAVIOUR REQUIREMENTS

- At no point before, during or after a game are Assistant Coaches, Spectators or Team Managers permitted to approach a referee.
- At no point before, during or after a game are spectators allowed to approach Referee supervisors.
- All Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Spectators and Team Managers must abide by the Basketball Victoria (BV) Codes of Conduct.
- If you are asked to leave the venue by a venue official, Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Spectators and Team Managers must do so immediately, or Tribunal Reports and loss of games may be applied.

## REMOVAL FROM VENUE

The following procedure is required to be followed if a Venue Official requires an Assistant Coach, Spectator or Team Manager to leave the venue.

- The Venue Official must complete the Technical Foul / Behaviour Foul - incident form online if they believe the accused behaviour was at a level that they were required to leave the venue.
- If the accused has been reported to the tribunal by an official, this is to be detailed on the Incident form as well and forwarded to the VJBL Administration.
- **NOTE:** Not all ejections require an official tribunal report, this is only required when the action/s of those involved warrant a formal Tribunal Report.
- If the accused won't voluntarily give their name, please complete the incident form and the VJBL Administration will follow the name up with the team involved.

## PENALTIES FOR BEING REMOVED

The VJBL Administration will review all Technical Foul / Behaviour – incident Forms and BV Report Forms.

## VJBL SUSPENSION

If an Assistant Coach, Spectator or Team Manager has been removed from the venue for alleged abusive behaviour and the VJBL Administration can reasonably confirm the allegations, the accused will be banned for the remainder of the VJBL Season.

If the removal of the Assistant Coach, Spectator or Team Manager occurs during the VJBL finals series, the accused will be banned for the remainder of the season and Grading Phase One of the following season.

Head coaches are not mentioned above, however will still have their behaviour sanctioned accordingly where required.

## REPORTABLE OFFENCES

After reviewing the Incident Form (and Tribunal Report Forms where completed) the following procedures will be followed:

If a formal report is not submitted, a review of the Incident Form may indicate a formal report is required.

- Basketball Victoria's Integrity Department or VJBL League Manager will ask the Referee and/ or Venue Official to complete a formal report.
- Once the report is received, an offer may be made by the Basketball Victoria Integrity Department or the report will be sent directly to the tribunal.
- Alternatively, Basketball Victoria's Integrity Department may direct the VJBL Administration to apply appropriate penalties as stated below.

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## TEAM PENALTIES

It is the team's responsibility to ensure that all Assistant Coaches, Spectators and Team Managers abide by the Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct and By-Laws. Penalties will be applied to the team involved with unacceptable spectator behaviour.

- First Offence – The team may have the remainder of home games moved to a neutral venue or the team may be removed.
- Second Offence – The team will be removed from the competition.

The Offences that will be taken into consideration may have occurred by multiple spectators or the same spectator, they will all count against the team.

## ASSOCIATION PENALTIES

It is the association's responsibility to manage a team's behaviour and educate players, coaches, officials and team spectators on their responsibilities and obligations to abide by the Basketball Victoria Codes of Conduct, Conditions of Entry and Basketball Victoria Policies.

The following penalties may also be applied to the Association for repeated breaches by a single team during the current VJBL season.

- First Offence by a team – The Association will receive a warning.
- Second Offence by the same team – The Association will be placed on a \$500 good behaviour bond, (if the team isn't removed from the competition), however if the team is removed they will be expected to pay the \$600 withdrawal fee.
- Third Offence by the same team – the good behaviour bond will be forfeited, and the team will be removed and \$600 withdrawal fee applied.

Associations have the right to appeal to the JRC Committee on any penalties, as per Rules of Operation.