

BQJBC Zero Tolerance Policy – 2016–17

To ensure a safe and enjoyable playing environment for all players, officials and participants, Basketball QLD will be implementing a Zero Tolerance Policy for inappropriate behaviour for Parents and Spectators this season.

The Policy will ensure that:

1. There will be a zero tolerance shown towards any inappropriate or abusive behaviour from parents and spectators
2. Any parent/guardian and/or spectator who feels the necessity to:
 - Persistently or wilfully question or challenge the rulings of the referees
 - Berate or abuse referees
 - Berate or abuse players
 - Berate or abuse other parents or spectators
 - Display conduct which is inappropriate in a sporting environment

will be asked to leave the venue immediately by the Court Controller. No warnings need be given in the event of the above action becoming necessary.

If the referees have an issue with a spectator they may stop the game and get the Court Controller and inform them of what has occurred in order to have the Court Controller remove the parent or spectator.

If at any stage during a game a referee believes a spectator needs to be watched they may stop the game and ask the Court Controller to watch.

Please note that teams **cannot** be given a Technical Foul for the behaviour of their spectators, unless the spectator was sitting on the team bench (along with coaches, managers & substitutes).

BQJBC Report Procedure – 2016–17

Referees may submit a report on any incident that they believe warrants being reported; however referees **must** report any incident which results in an ejection of a participant. Please note that any coach who receives two direct technical fouls is ejected.

The Report must be completed at the venue on the day of the incident occurring, preferably directly after the game. The referees should inform the Referee Supervisor and/or Court Controller of what has occurred immediately following the game. It is preferred that referees complete the form with the guidance of the Referee Supervisor, whilst it is still fresh in their minds. The report is to be as descriptive as possible.

Your report should include the following:

- At what stage of the game the incident/s arose
- If there had been issues prior to the ejection
- What exactly happened. i.e. rather than saying the coach swore at me or made a rude gesture you must note what language was used and/or what action/s the coach made
- Include any verbal/non-verbal communication made such as body language, demeanour and tone
- (if ejected) any issues with the participant leaving the court

The Referee Supervisor or Court Controller should inform the Team Manager that a report will be completed and that they can either wait for the report at the stadium or have it sent to their Association Delegate by the BQ Competition Manager on the Monday following the incident.

Process after Report has been submitted to BQ

- The BQ Competition Manager will review the report and liaise with a Tribunal Chairperson selected by BQ to determine if a Tribunal is required.
- The referees or referee supervisor may be contacted by the BQ Competition Manager for further information if required.
- If a Tribunal is required it will be held at the Basketball Queensland Office during the week following the game.
- Both officials are to attend any tribunals involving incidents during their games. In cases where the referees are under the age of 18 an adult **must** attend with them.