

## Excerpt from the TAS Code of Conduct

### 1. *General Behaviour*

- The Host School has the right to expect that both visitors and members of its own community will adhere to its own particular customs and practices.
- Racial/sexual/religious abuse or any other form of harassment will, under no circumstances, be tolerated by TAS. Players should be given no more than one warning before being sent off and reported to the school. Spectators likewise should be reported and asked to leave the sideline if guilty of racial/sexual/religious abuse.

### 1. *Behaviour and Example of Coaches*

- Under no circumstances is there to be deliberate bending of the General Competition Rules and By-Laws for the various sports. Coaches, Coordinators and Directors of Sport are expected to abide by the "spirit" as well as the "letter of the law".
- Coaches must accept the decisions of referees and umpires. This does not preclude rational clarification of decisions at a subsequent time.

### *Conduct and Sanction of Players*

- A high standard of conduct is expected at all times, both on and off the field.
- Each and every player should be an example of what a sportsperson should be, including an appreciation of good play and an acceptance of the mistakes made by fellow players. Ill-temper or spite should never be shown; assistance for opponents when it appears desirable should be given.
- Congratulations, thanks or cheers appropriate to the game, by the captain and/or players is to be encouraged.
- The orders or instructions of the umpire, referee or designated official should be obeyed quickly, and any decisions, however unfavourable, should be accepted without question.
- The use of drugs, including pain-killers, to improve or maintain the performance of any individual player or group of players is strictly forbidden.

#### Player Sanctions :

In all instances where a player is dismissed or excluded from play for foul play or play deemed dismissible by the officiating crew of their game, they will incur a minimum one week suspension from that TAS sport. (It is important to note that a bye does not constitute a week of TAS sport.) Schools may impose longer sanctions if they deem it appropriate.

### 2. *Conduct of Spectators*

- Good play, by either side, should be acknowledged by spectators in the appropriate manner. This can encourage players and help them to lift their game as the match or contest progresses.
- The Principal, or their representative, has the legal right to remove any person or persons who do not conform to the acceptable standards of behaviour as set by his/her school.
- Consumption of alcohol by spectators during the conduct of a match or contest is not permitted.
- Referees or umpires are not to be approached by spectators at any time before, during or after a match.
- While cheering and supporting one's own team is recognised as part of the conduct of the game, and provided this barracking is within the requirements of the By-Laws it is to be encouraged; "anti-barracking" is banned.
- While the Host School should make every endeavour to provide for the disposal of rubbish, all spectators should make every effort not to litter any parts of the playing fields and/or grounds.