

Sanctionable Offences - Gameplay

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Turnover	Warning	Elimination	Blue Card	Yellow Card	Red Card
Gameplay					
More than 3 players advance past return line during the rush/more than 6 players step on to court					
Competing for opponent's balls before your own are made live during rush					
	Repeatedly late to line up for a new set, or deliberately moving between "Ready!" and "Go!" commands during the rush.	→			
		Deliberate/avoidable physical contact or sliding/diving towards contested ball during opening rush		Dangerous physical contact during rush e.g. sliding or diving	
Dispossess an opponent of a ball after rush e.g. snatching		Dispossess an opponent of a ball e.g. snatching after rush	Deliberate/avoidable near-contact after rush (see Neutral Zone rules)	Deliberate/avoidable physical contact after rush	Dangerous physical contact after rush / Serious physical offence i.e. violent conduct
Retriever error - touching ball on court, contact with official, returning ball to opponents, moving into opponent's half, hiding possession			Repeated retriever errors	Retriever interfering with play e.g. blocking a live attempt over court	
		Not making an attempt after 'play ball' time has been exceeded			
		Equipment misconduct e.g. Pinching a ball's outer skin, pulling out their shirt to assist in making a catch	→	→	
		Invalid attempt, including kicking or spiking	Invalid attempt - end of match context / Flagrant invalid attempt during last 30 seconds of a set		
		Faking at a non-player, player clearly already out or after time has been clearly stopped	Throwing at a non-player, player clearly already out or after time has been stopped	Throwing at a non-player or a player during a clear break in play / Throwing at a non-player's head, player clearly already out's head or after time has been stopped	Throwing at a non-player's or a player's head during a clear break in play
			Head shot at a static target of <4m range	Intentional head shot	
			Non-player entering court - not interfering in play	Non-player entering court - interfering in play	

Sanctionable Offences – Conduct & Allocated Refereeing

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Conduct					
	Verbal offence including taunting	→	→	→	Serious verbal offence e.g. discriminatory
	Calling others out, persistent appealing or questioning the referee	→	→	Aggressive, or continued persistent appealing or questioning the referee	Abusing an official / Spitting
	Not leaving court in a timely manner once out		→	Cheating - remaining on court in spite of clearly being out, or being called out	
Exiting player interfering with play (affecting possession)	Exiting player not leaving by nearest exit route		→	Exiting player interfering with play	
Returning player interfering with play (affecting possession)		Returning player returning via wrong location	→	Returning player interfering with play	
		Wrong player returning to play from queue	→	Wrong player returning to play from queue - deliberate	
	Refusing to comply with referee's instruction	→	→	→	
		Moving beyond allocated boundaries during referee discussions	→	→	
			Attempting to influence referee by claiming to have seen firsthand/video	→	
			Swearing loudly or within earshot of spectators	Swearing – direct	Swearing at an official – direct
			Time-wasting, including delaying 20-second reset	Time-wasting (end of match)	
		Other unsporting conduct – not likely to be deliberate	Other unsporting conduct – deliberate	Other unsporting conduct – interfering with play	
				Intentionally imitating an out player when still in	
				Delaying stepping on to court after a reset to gain advantage	
Allocated Refereeing					
	Explicit lack of attention, including use of mobile phone (new player or minor offence)			Explicit lack of attention, including use of mobile phone	
	Passive officiating			Passive officiating	
				Interfering with play	