



Wallan Basketball Association Incorporated (WBI)

2019

Sin Bin Policy

INTRODUCTION:

In an attempt to control the behaviour of people involved in our sport and the potentially negative impact that “bad” behaviour can have on all aspects of our game.

PURPOSE:

To adopt the concept of a “Sin Bin” to deal with inappropriate player/bench person behaviour across all domestic levels.

To provide protection, support and respect to all referees’.

DEFINITIONS:

Inappropriate (“Bad”) Behaviour:

A person’s actions/behaviour inclusive of swearing, verbal abuse, aggressive body language, gestures, eyeballing, dirty looks, disputing and criticising.

Bench Person:

Player, coach, assistant coach, manager and/or person in the bench vicinity – eg. parent(s)/spectator(s).

Playing time:

Actual court (fixed) time playing the game.

POLICY:

At the discretion of the referee(s) will implement procedures to ensure a process for the management of a “Sin Bin” based on the Inappropriate (“Bad”) behaviour of players and bench person(s).

PROCESS:

Game referee(s) will be required to:-

1/ Instantly penalize any obvious form of Inappropriate (“Bad”) behaviour (dissent), such as disputing calls, critical comments towards referee(s) or their calls, bad language etc with a Technical Foul and send the person to the “Sin Bin” for 5 minutes of playing time.

2/ In conjunction with the scorer document on the score sheet the player name, commencement time of the 5 minutes along with the return to play time.

NOTE:

- A player who is sent to the “Sin Bin” is allowed to be substituted.

- Player(s) / Coach(es) or bench person(s) sent to the “Sin Bin” cannot communicate with team members.
- A second similar offence by the same person results in them being disqualified from the game. (a similar offence involves more of the same resulting in a 2nd Technical Foul).
- A parent or spectator who is near or on the bench and a bench Technical Foul is called on them, they are not required to go to the “Sin Bin” as match rules and court supervisor should be utilised to control spectator actions.
- If a Technical Foul is for a technical offence (eg. leaning over the line on a pass in) – the “Sin Bin” option would not be applied. If a Technical Foul occurs with one minute to go in the first half the person sits in the “Sin Bin” for the first 4 minutes of the 2nd half. Similar reasoning would be applied to all intervals of play between periods including time outs. (5 minutes is a fixed time during a playing period).
- If a Technical Foul is called with less than 5 minutes to go in the second half the person is required to remain in the “Sin Bin” for the remainder of the game.
- If a player refuses to leave the court, normal game rules apply. If a Junior, seek adult support.
- The player/bench person can be reported.
- If a team only has 5 players and a Technical Foul is called they then play with four.
- If a team only has 2 players left and one is issued a Technical Foul and sent to the “Sin Bin”, the game is over and the opposition win by forfeit.

RELATED POLICIES / RULES / PROCEDURES / GUIDELINES:

- Code(s) of Conduct
- Tribunal Policy

DISPUTES:

Any disputes arising from implementation of these guidelines will be dealt with in the first instance by the

Board Referee Representative in conjunction with the Referee Sub Committee and WBI Board.

IMPLEMENTATION:

The “Sin Bin” Guidelines are ratified for implementation by the WBI Committee at the commencement of the next domestic season being the 2014 Championship Season.