

NORTH COAST SECTION EJECTION POLICY

WATER POLO - 2011

The following is a summary of the rules pertaining to the NCS Ejection Policy in water polo. This summary is provided for athletic directors, coaches and league commissioners. Athletes and coaches may be disqualified from competition for many reasons according to National Federation rules. This summary outlines which rules will apply to the NCS Ejection Policy. **Please review these rules with your coaches and student athletes.** However, any act by an athlete or coach that is unsportsmanlike or dangerous conduct shall subject the student or coach to ejection and application of the NCS Ejection Policy. It is important to note that a one game or contest ejection is not a substitute for appropriate counseling of the student or the coach, nor for the student=s or coach's demonstrated contrition and acceptance of responsibility for the action(s) which led to the ejection. The one game or contest suspension is the universal penalty for ejection from a contest but in no way is it a substitute for a school=s and coach=s responsibility to provide appropriate counseling, remedial action, and discipline. Each league shall establish a procedure for reporting ejections (NCS Sports & General Rulings Handbook - bylaw 307H).

Coaches Review Content

League commissioners shall have coaches review the content of the Ejection Policy for the coaches' respective sport at the end of the season meeting and make recommendations for change. The league commissioner will direct such recommendations to the NCS Sports Advisory Committee ("SAC"), which will consider them. The SAC will determine whether to forward recommendations to the Board of Managers for change.

(Board of Managers 10/24/97)

School Administration and Coaches' Responsibility

School administrators and coaches are responsible for determining the cause of ejection for any coach or player and are responsible for enforcement of the Ejection Policy. Confusion over the cause for a coach's or player's ejection shall not be the basis for allowing a student who has been ejected under an applicable rule to avoid the sanctions required by the Ejection Policy (either prohibition from participation or forfeiture should a student or coach who is in violation of the Ejection Policy participates in a subsequent contest).

(Board of Managers 10/24/97)

Note: Any act by an athlete or coach that is unsportsmanlike or dangerous conduct shall subject the student or coach to ejection from the contest and application of the NCS Ejection Policy will apply.

SPORT	RULE	DESCRIPTION	Does the rule apply to the NCS Ejection Policy?
Water Polo	7-4 art. 5	<p>Red Card: A red card may be issued for disruptive behavior to the head coach, assistant coaches, other team officials on the bench and to individual players on the bench. If a coach or team official is disruptive after receiving a yellow card, a red card is issued. If, in the judgment of the referee, the infraction is severe, a red card may be issued immediately to a coach or team official without issuing a warning or a yellow card, depending upon the severity of the infraction. A red card may also be issued directly to a player on the bench who is disruption (no warning or yellow card is issued to an individual athlete).</p> <p>A coach or other team official receiving a red card must leave the pool facility and have no visual or electronic contact with the team. The assistant coach assumes the rights and privileges of the head coach when the head coach receives a red card during a game. A player receiving a red card must sit in the spectator stands under supervision during the remainder of that game but may not communicate with the players, team officials or referees by any means until after the duration of jurisdiction of the referees.</p> <p>Further misconduct by an excluded player, coach or other team official could result in a forfeit.</p> <p>The person receiving a red card is automatically suspended from the next game.</p>	Yes

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	21-11 (1-9)	<p>Art. 1...To commit an act of flagrant misconduct (including kicking or striking or attempting to kick or strike with malicious intent, fighting or biting) against an opponent or official, whether during play (including any stoppages or time-outs) or the intervals between periods of play. Fighting could include, but not be limited to, an attempt to strike an opponent with the arms, hands, legs or feet, or a combative action by one of more players, a coach or team personnel. Combative action includes but is not limited to: (1) a player, coach or other team personnel attempting to punch or kick an opponent, whether or not there is contact with an opponent; (2) a player, coach or other team personnel who, in the opinion of the referee, instigates a fight by perpetrating an unsporting act towards an opponent that causes the opponent to retaliate by fighting. An player coach or other team personnel who leaves the bench area during a fight shall be assessed a brutality foul. The player who commits an act of brutality or participates in a fight during dead time or live time shall be excluded from the remainder of the game.</p> <p>Articles 2 through 9 further outline NFHS penalties and procedures and all apply to the NCS Ejection Policy.</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p>