



## BEHAVIOURAL PENALTIES SUMMARY

This document outlines a number of the DVBA’s behaviour related rules and policies, that are enforced by officials of the DVBA, within DVBA’s competitions.

Specifics of certain rules and processes can be found in the *Important Documents* section, which should be reviewed for full context and clarity.

The purpose of this document is to provide a summary of the ways in which poor and unacceptable behaviour is managed by the DVBA.

If a club or individual has a complaint or grievances with any DVBA member of staff, board member or referee, they may submit a complaint or grievances via their club delegate in accordance with the *DVBA Complaints and Grievances Policy*.

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## IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

[Basketball Victoria Code of Conduct](#)

[Basketball Victoria Tribunal Resources](#)

[DVBA Zero Tolerance Policy](#)

[DVBA NJBL By Laws: Association](#)

[DVBA NJBL By Laws: Game Day](#)

[DVBA NSBL By Laws.](#)

[DVBA Complaints and Grievances Policy](#)

## INCIDENT REPORTS

Information relating to *Incident Reports* can be found in the *DVBA NJBL By Laws: Association and the DVBA NSBL By Laws.*

### Section 8. Game Incident Reports

8.1.1. If an Incident Report is completed and submitted, to the Competitions Manager, by a Referee Supervisor, Referee or Club Delegate, the Competitions Manager will determine if any penalties or sanctions are warranted and will advise the relevant Member Club Delegate or individual.

8.1.2. If parties who are the subject of an Incident Report do not agree with the Competitions Manager's determinations on the matter, they may seek to appeal and request a meeting with the DVBA General Manager and/or Board. The lodgement of the appeal must be received by the Competitions Manager within seven (7) days of their initial decision being handed down.

8.1.3. The appeal meeting will only be granted on the following grounds:

- There is significant new or additional information, which was not available when the original determination was made.
- The Investigation of the reported incident was conducted in a manner which would result in an adverse finding.

8.1.4. The DVBA Board Chairperson will decide if the grounds for an appeal meeting are justified. If granted, the meeting must be held within seven (7) days of the receipt of the notification of appeal.

8.1.5. The hearing will be held before three (3) members of the DVBA Board's Executive Committee and any other person, as may be deemed necessary. These members will form the Appeals Committee.

8.1.6. Any DVBA Board Member directly involved in the reported incident will be excluded from the Appeals Committee.

8.1.7. Any Committee Member connected with any club, team or individual involved in the reported



incident will be excluded from the appeal meeting.

8.1.8. No request to appeal the decisions handed down, in relation to a reported incident, will be deemed to have been received until acknowledged by the Competitions Manager.

8.1.9. The decision of the Appeals Committee, within its powers, will be final.

### **DVBA TRIBUNAL ATTENDANCE AND APPEALS**

A Tribunal Report can be completed and submitted to the Competitions Manager, by a Referee Supervisor, Referee or Club Delegate (NJBL only).

The DVBA follows the Basketball Victoria Tribunal Procedure (see *Important Documents* section).

The Tribunal Report will often be for more serious charges, and the Tribunal Panel will decide if the charges are to go to a tribunal proceeding or offer a penalty based on the information provided in the report.

### **BEHAVIOURAL TECHNICAL FOUL RULE**

Players who receive behavioural technical fouls in games during the NSBL playing calendar season will have the following penalties applied:

- Accumulate three (3) technical fouls in a season: Automatic two (2) week suspension
- Accumulate four (4) technical fouls in a season: Automatic three (3) week suspension
- Accumulate five (5) technical fouls in a season: Automatic suspension for the remainder of the season

**If three (3) or more players from a team receive technical fouls in a season, the Competitions Manager will determine if any penalties or sanctions are warranted and will advise the relevant Member Club Delegate or individual.**

#### ***Answers to potential questions related to the Behavioural Technical Foul Rule:***

**Q. What if we do not have enough players to start in a game due to one or more of our players being suspended?**

A. Your team will have to call a walkover.

**Q. When a player returns from a suspension, does their number of technical fouls reset to zero?**

A. No, if a player accumulates three (3) technical fouls, resulting in a two (2) week suspension, and then receives an additional technical foul upon return, they will be suspended for a further three (3) weeks due to their accumulated total of technical fouls being four (4).



Appendix

Incident Report form

<b>Date of report</b>	
<b>What was the place/court/time of the game?</b>	
<b>The teams involved (if known)</b>	
<b>Who does the incident relate to?</b>	
<b>Would you like to be contacted about this incident?</b>	
<b>Your Name</b>	
<b>Referee Names</b>	
<b>Brief description of what happened</b>	