



Albury Basketball Association – Domestic competition Technical Foul (Behavioural) Policy – Revised March 2024.

Basketball is intended to be a recreational activity for enjoyment and health, and where it is our desire to provide a safe competitive environment for all participants. In essence the health of our game is dependent on our ability to nurture and development of game officials.

All persons must conduct themselves in a proper and reasonable manner in accordance with The Basketball NSW Code of Conduct. In particular there will be a zero-tolerance policy towards any inappropriate or abusive behaviour from participants towards officials.

Any player or coach who breaches the Code of Conduct by

- Persistently or wilfully questions/challenges the rulings of referees,
- Berates or abuses referees,
- Audible offensive language or
- Harassment of referees, will be subject to the following policy.

A technical foul for non-behavioural matter will not come under this policy.

Technical Foul Policy

During Games - Sin Bin

Players and Coaches in all grades of competition who receives a technical foul (behaviour focused) are required to sit out and take no part in the game for a period of five (5) minutes.

Should this player/coach receive two (2) technical fouls they are disqualified from the game and MUST immediately leave the viewing area of the game.

Post Games

A player or coach will then also be subject to the following:

Step 1: First incident* Warning

Step 2: Second incident* Automatic 1 active playing round or week suspension, Whichever period is greater **

Step 3: Third incident* Automatic 2 active playing round or week suspension, Whichever period is greater **

Any participant who reaches step 3 will also be referred to ABA Board for possible removal of membership or banned from future registration.



** Incidents can be defined as per game, rather than per technical foul and can include technical fouls, disqualifying fouls.*

*** Date of suspension starts immediately and includes all games they are involved in (coaching, playing, etc). The suspension period is inclusive of any breaks, final periods or holidays.*

Notification of Technical Fouls

Technical Fouls will be recorded by referees post game via Jotform and will be forwarded to the respective club.

Appeals

Appeals will be directed towards the respective clubs as the first point of contact.

If the club and participant are unable to come to an agreement, a written request for appeal must be submitted to the Basketball Operations manager (operations@alburybasketball.com.au) and include significant additional or new evidence. Any suspension will stand until the request for review has been actioned and finalised.

Extraordinary Circumstances

In Extraordinary Circumstances the ABA reserves the right to refer any case the ABA Board for immediate review.