

Subject: Zero Tolerance

To All

This document references what the Zero Tolerance Policy Means to all CCYFL Players and Coaches:

The only coach authorized to communicate with the officials is the Head Coach. Any assistant coach who attempts to berate, influence or in any other way harass the officials will be subject to penalty. The officials may, at their discretion, issue a sideline warning. If the assistant coach is deemed to be out of line, the official will assess an unsportsmanlike penalty. Two unsportsmanlike penalties on any coach will result in his/her ejection. In certain cases, a coach may be assessed a flagrant unsportsmanlike penalty. This will result in the immediate ejection of that coach.

The two-yard area between the team box and the field is to be occupied by no more than three coaches. No team substitutes may be in the area except when the coach is preparing to send them into the game. This area must be shared with the officials and the chain crew. The coaches are responsible for avoiding interfering with the officials or chain crew once the ball has been declared ready for play.

No coach may enter the field without permission from the officials, unless it is during a charged timeout or intermission between periods. If the Head Coach wishes to discuss a possible misapplication of the rules, he/she may request a time out to consult with the Referee. After the discussion, if a correctable error occurred, the time out will be charged to the officials. If no correctable error occurred, the time out will be charged to the team. If the team had no more time outs, a delay of game penalty will be assessed.

None of this is anything that is not spelled out in the rules. The officials generally have tried to be tolerant, but unfortunately a few coaches have abused this tolerance. Those coaches who have been cooperative and follow the rules won't see much change...those who haven't, will.

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