

# Red and Yellow Cards

Every referee should have a set of red and yellow cards. Actually it is strongly recommended every referee have a backup set of red and yellow cards also. These cards can play a vital role in managing a match.

## Unnecessary Delay – Administrative Cards

Yellow and red cards administered pursuant to this rule are not for unsporting conduct (see Card Procedures for Unsporting Conduct Violations below). Administrative yellow and red cards are the penalty for unnecessary delay. The process of administering yellow and red cards is as follows:

1. Any first administrative unnecessary delay results in the issuance of a yellow card. The issuance of the first administrative unnecessary delay in a set shall not require the head coach to remain seated for the remainder of the match.
2. All subsequent administrative unnecessary delay violations in that particular set shall result in an administrative unnecessary delay (red card) and a loss of rally/point shall be awarded to the non-offending team and shall not require the head coach to remain seated for the remainder of the match.
3. Administrative unnecessary delay cards do not carry over from set to set throughout the match. For repeated delays in any situation, in subsequent sets after the first administrative unnecessary delay has been administered, unsporting conduct MAY be assessed consistent with the procedures as set forth in the rules.
4. The signal for administrative unnecessary delay is signal #21. When the second referee initiates the call for unnecessary delay, he/she;
  - a. Moves to side of the net for the offending team
  - b. Raise the hand on the side of the offending team beside head, palm facing in, hold the appropriate card on the wrist of the raised hand.
  - c. The arms are then lowered to the sides of the referee.
  - d. The first referee administers the card in the same manner.
5. When the first referee initiates an administrative unnecessary delay, the second referee does not repeat the procedure.
6. The second referee confirms with the scorer that the unnecessary delay administrative card is recorded in the comment section of the scorebook.



# Card Procedures for Unsporting Conduct Violations



An important tool for managing a match are your yellow and red cards. Very few cards if any should be issued throughout the season. The use of cards is a serious call and should be used with professionalism, good judgment and with no personal influences. Verbal warnings are encouraged, but if a card or cards must be issued, do so with authority and with proper procedure.

## CARD PROCEDURES FOR UNSPORTING CONDUCT VIOLATIONS

### Warning/Penalty (Yellow OR Red Card)

Second referee steps to the side of the offending team and toward the first referee. He/she holds a card in the middle of the chest and indicates the number of the player or which coach received the card

First referee holds a card in hand on offending team's side held head high, then indicates the number of player or which coach received the card.

First referee notifies the team captains; second referee notifies the appropriate coach of the reason for the warning or penalty.

Second referee notifies the scorer and confirms the warning is placed in the comments section of the scoresheet.

### Disqualification (Yellow AND Red Card)

Second referee steps to the side of the offending team and toward the first referee. He/she holds a card in each hand in the middle of the chest and indicates the number of the player or which coach received the cards.

First referee holds cards head high in each hand on the side of the offending team, then indicates the number of player or which coach is disqualified.

First referee notifies the team captain second referee notifies the appropriate coach of the reason for the disqualification.

Second referee notifies the scorer and confirms the disqualification is placed in the comments section of the scoresheet.