



SIN BIN RULE

JUNIOR AND SENIOR DOMESTIC COMPETITIONS

Waverley Basketball Association has decided to adopt the Sin Bin Rule. This rule is supported by Basketball Victoria and will be used throughout all domestic competitions at Waverley.

It is intended by the introduction of this rule to have fewer reports to the Tribunal, improved player conduct and increased enjoyment for all involved with the game.

The rule will be implemented as follows:

- Any technical foul that is called will result in the opposition team being awarded two free throws and possession of the ball from the half way line opposite the scoretable. In addition to this:

A technical foul on a **PLAYER**:

- will result in that player being withdrawn for the game for a total of **five minutes** of playing time.
- The player may be substituted if a sub is available.
- The referee will note the time on the playing clock that the player leaves the court and instruct the scorer to write down the earliest time that the player may return to the court through a normal substitution.
- On return to the playing court, if the player commits a similar indiscretion, a disqualifying foul should be applied with the normal penalty.

A technical foul on a **COACH**:

- will result in that coach leaving the court (out of view) for a total of **five minutes** of playing time.
- The coach may return to the court and the team bench when the five minutes has elapsed.
- An assistant coach may replace the coach while he/she has left the court.
- The referee will note the time on the playing clock that the coach leaves the court and instruct the scorer to write down the earliest time that the coach may return to the court.

Examples:

1. Player who leaves court with time on clock 12:35 may return at the nearest available substitution opportunity after the clock ticks through 7:35, regardless if a timeout is called.
2. Player who is sent to the Sin Bin at 3:20 in the first half may return after the clock ticks past 16:20 in the second half (*or 18:20 when using 20 minute half regulations*).
3. Player or coach who is 'sin-binned' with less than 5 minutes to go in the second half may not return to the game.

No warnings are required (though advisable) and any players who step over the line must be Sin Binned so that the game benefits from their absence

Reportable offences are to be reported to the Tribunal in the usual manner

The 'Sin Bin' rule does not apply to unsportsmanlike fouls, as these will be administrated in the usual manner