

Oklahoma Region

Purple Card Sanction Policy

I. Purpose of Purple Card Sanction Policy

The purpose and intent of the Purple Card (PC) Sanction policy is to effectively address and sanction any unruly, abrasive, or prohibited behavior exhibited by any OKRVA member (adult or junior), parent or spectator, attending and observing any OKRVA sanctioned tournament. This policy is further intended to preserve order in its activities and maintain the safety and protection of all OKRVA members. This policy outlines the procedural usage of the "PURPLE" card, which supplements the yellow and red sanction cards currently used by match official(s) (as dictated by the USAV Rules Book). The USAV Code of Conduct remains in effect.

II. Prohibited Behavior

- A.** Prohibited behavior would include, but not limited to, any comment(s) made, or action(s) displayed, deemed by others as rude, profane, disrespectful, disruptive, or aggressive, which interferes with the normal progress of a tournament match.
- B.** Any behavior prohibited by USAV Code of Conduct policies.
- C.** Any misconduct deemed contrary to normally accepted behavior, which results in the unnecessary interruption of a tournament match

III. This policy applies to the following:

- A.** Any OKRVA adult member, i.e. club directors, coaches, rostered adult(s) or chaperones NOT currently participating in the match and has assumed the role of spectator. This policy also applies to these same individual(s) displaying misconduct BEFORE the start of a match, as well as AFTER the match has officially ended.
- B.** Any OKRVA junior player displaying misconduct BEFORE the start of a match, as well as AFTER the match has officially ended. (See Section VI for sanction guidelines for junior players.)
- C.** Any non-Region member, i.e. parent(s) or relative(s) of any OKRVA Member.
- D.** Any attendee or spectator of an OKRVA sanctioned tournament or match.

IV. When this policy is applicable

- A.** The use of yellow and red card sanctions will remain in force, according to the policies and procedures set by the Domestic Competition Rules (DCR)
- B.** Use of the "Purple" Sanction card may be applied to any situation during a match, where spectator unruly or abrasive behavior occurs, and the 1st Referee deems it necessary to address the misbehavior.
- C.** For misconduct by anyone before or after a match has ended, the USAV Code of Conduct is in effect.

D. The Purple/Yellow card sanction will be in effect for every OKRVA sanctioned Tournament, except 18s Bid Tournament and OK Regionals.

V. Application of the Purple Warning Card

A. Minor Conduct

1. Minor misconduct offenses are not subject to sanctions. It is the duty of the 1st Referee to prevent spectators and parents from reaching the sanctioning level. This can be done in two stages:
 - a. Stage 1: Verbal Warning issued through the coach to the spectator. The 1st Referee will summon both team captains to the referee stand and notify them that a parent or spectator affiliated with their team has reached the verbal warning level. The team captains will notify their respective coaches. The coach should notify parent or spectator affiliated with their team of the verbal warning.
 - b. Stage 2: Issuance of Purple and Yellow Card Warning (PW) This warning is issued to the team in which the offending spectator parent is affiliated. The 1st Referee shall hold up the Purple and Yellow cards in one hand, initiating this issuance. Both team captains are then summoned to the referee stand. This then is followed by a notification of the team warning, through the game captains to their head coach, that a parent or spectator affiliated with their team has reached the sanctioning level. Once either head coach determines affiliation, that head coach must inform the offender of the warning. This formal warning is the initial sanction and a symbol that misconduct has reached the sanctioning level for the match.
 - c. In the event the offender refuses to identify their team affiliation or fails to comply with the 1st Referee's request for identification, that offender is subject to a more serious sanction.
 - d. PC warnings are assessed to the affiliated team and are in force for the entire match. This means that each team may only receive one (1) PW per match. Any further sanction involving PC with that team will result in penalty point.
 - e. PWs are recorded on the scoresheet but have no immediate consequences.

B. Misconduct Leading to Sanctions

1. Inappropriate conduct by a spectator or parent toward officials, playing teams, other parents, or spectators is classified in three categories according to the seriousness of the offense.
 - a. Rude Conduct: actions contrary to good manners or moral principles
 - b. Offensive Conduct: defamatory or insulting words or gestures or any action expressing contempt.

- c. Aggression: actual physical attack or aggressive or threatening behavior

C. Sanction Scale

1. After a Purple Warning has been issued and in the judgment of the 1st Referee, they may issue a Purple Card Penalty (PP) all applicable sanctions shall be applied and recorded on the scoresheet.

THE SANCTION SCALE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

- a. Warning: First team offense
- b. Penalty: Second Rude or minor offensive conduct in the match by any parent or spectator is penalized with a point and service to the opponent

D. Application of Misconduct Sanctions

1. All misconduct sanctions are individual sanctions, remain in force for the entire match and are recorded on the scoresheet.
2. Repetition of misconduct by the same parent or spectator in the same match is sanctioned progressively, which means that a more severe sanction is given for each successive offense.
3. When Penalty sanctions are issued, it is displayed as Purple and Red card held up jointly in one hand.

VI. Application of Misconduct Warnings and Sanctions Against Junior Players

In the event participating junior player displays misconduct in a Region tournament as a spectator during a match or before/after a match, the following sanction guidelines shall be applied:

- A.** Any misconduct deserving sanction shall be directed by the USAV Participant Code of Conduct.
- B.** If a junior player is charged with expulsion or ejection/ban, the player becomes the direct responsibility of the parent(s) or the head coach/club director.
 1. Junior players are not to be expelled or ejected from any playing facility individually but fall under the direct supervision of parent(s) or the head coach/club director. No further participation by the player is allowed.

VII. Recording Warnings and Sanctions on the Scoresheet

- A.** Issuance of Purple and Yellow Cards jointly (Misconduct Warning) Record a PC in the **W Warn** column; record the team at fault, the set number, and the score.
- B.** Issuance of Purple and Red Cards jointly (Misconduct Penalty)
 1. Record a PC in the **P Penalty** column, record the team at fault, the set number, and the score at the time of penalty.

2. If penalty is against the serving team, record the serving team's exit score.
3. Record the awarded penalty point. Slash and circle the opposing team's next point in the **POINTS COLUMN**

VIII. Summary of Misconduct and Card Display

A. Warning (No Penalty):

Symbol- Purple and Yellow card held jointly
Warning recorded on scoresheet PW

B. Penalty (Point and serve to opponent):

Symbol – Purple and Red card held jointly
Penalty recorded on scoresheet PP and penalty point is slashed and circled



IX. Recording Purple Card Warning and Penalty on Scoresheet

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