

UW-Whitewater Intramural Sports Sportsmanship & Conduct Policy

Effective Spring 2022, team sportsmanship will no longer be rated on a 1-4 scale. This sportsmanship rating system has been too subjective, inconsistently enforced and is simply too antiquated to continue without revision.

The updated policy will be enforced based on individual circumstances and what is outlined in the following table. Not all circumstances can/will be foreseen and therefore may not be outlined. Administrative staff reserves the right to administer penalties as they see fit given the circumstance(s). The information in the table is intended to apply to all activities offered by Intramural Sports. While terminology may not be directly applicable to a specific activity, information is seen as universally applicable. Teams are still expected to act respectfully towards opponents.

Incident/Action	Enforcement Type	Individual Penalty	Team Penalty
Illegal Substitution	Administrative	None @	None @
Illegal Equipment	Administrative	None @	None @
Foul Out	Administrative	Contest Disqualification	None
1 st Verbal Warning ^	Unsporting	None @	None @
2 nd Verbal Warning	Unsporting	Technical Foul	None @
Excessive Verbal Warnings	Unsporting	Technical Foul	Technical Foul
Unnecessary Roughness	Administrative	None @	None @
Excessive Unnecessary Roughness	Unsporting	Ejection	Technical Foul
Flagrant Foul	Unsporting	Technical Foul	Technical Foul
1 st Technical Foul (ind.) *	Unsporting	Technical Foul & Warning	Technical Foul & Warning
2 nd Technical Foul (ind. season)	Unsporting	Technical Foul & Warning	Technical Foul & Warning
2 nd Technical Foul (ind. game)	Unsporting	Ejection	Depends on accumulation
2 nd Technical Foul (ind. season)	Unsporting	Technical Foul & Warning	Depends on accumulation
2 nd Technical Foul (team game)	Unsporting	Technical Foul & Warning	Depends on accumulation
2 nd Technical Foul (team season)	Unsporting	Technical Foul & Warning	Technical Foul & Warning
3 rd Technical Foul (ind. Season)	Unsporting	Auto 1-game suspension	Depends on accumulation
3 rd Technical Foul (team game)	Unsporting	N/A	End of Game – forfeit fine
3 rd Technical Foul (team season)	Unsporting	N/A	Team forfeit fine
4 th Technical Foul (ind. Season)	Unsporting	Removed from season	Depends on accumulation
4 th Technical Foul (team season)	Unsporting	N/A	Team forfeit fine & susp.
5 th Technical Foul (ind. IM exp.)	Unsporting	Referral to Dean/Removal	Depends on accumulation
5 th Technical Foul (team season)	Unsporting	N/A	Team removed, no refund
Fighting (individual)	Unsporting	Ejection	Two Technical Fouls
Fighting (multiple teams)	Unsporting	Contest Ends	Two Tech. Fouls/team

@ Administrative penalties/fouls/infractions are not intended to impact a team or individual's conduct review unless infractions are frequent, repetitive and/or deemed intentional/in violation of the spirit and intent of the activity.

^ verbal warnings apply to individual contests. If repetitive verbal warnings continue in a given season, disciplinary action deemed appropriate by administrative staff may be taken

*also includes yellow cards, unsportsmanlike conduct penalties, etc. (red card = two technical fouls)

NOTES

- Repetitive fouls/penalties resulting from overly-physical (and unnecessary) activity are subject to review by staff on a case-by-case basis and may result in disciplinary action.
- Ejections result in a required meeting with the Assistant Director and possible suspension(s).
- Administrative staff tend to be lenient with conduct-related penalties (i.e. ejections, suspensions, etc.) when the person(s) involved exhibit professional, collected and understanding behavior.
- Supervisor staff no longer needs to record sportsmanship ratings on scoresheets or enter them in IMLeagues
- Supervisors should be completing an Unsporting Conduct Report AND/OR writing on the reverse side of a scoresheet whenever they believe administrative staff needs to be made aware of a situation