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Referee's Corner

Welcome to my first Referee's Corner.

For those who don't know me I am a level 4 referee and have been officiating for a number of years both at National League and Local League. I am here to help develop all referees across the YBL.

Each month, I will look at a different rule that sometimes causes confusion.

This month we look at an Unsportsmanlike Foul and the criteria we use as referees to implement the rule.

Referees

There are 5 categories for an unsportsmanlike foul which should be followed; however, this guidance is in relatively plain English. It was felt that in previous seasons not enough Unsportsmanlike Fouls were called at all levels. Some being treated as normal foul calls.

- 1. Was the action a basketball action, if no then call an unsportsmanlike foul.
- 2. Was the contact hard or likely to cause injury if yes then unsportsmanlike.
- 3. In the last 2 minutes any foul before the ball is inbounded is unsportsmanlike.
- 4. Any contact with head or neck whether intentional or not is unsportsmanlike.
- 5. If the ethos of fair play and sportsmanship is broken then unsportsmanlike

Coaches

1. It is the coaches responsibility to support the referee with the calling of the unsportsmanlike foul. A way that this can be done is by ensuring that the rule is rigorously adhered to in all training sessions.

2. It is the coaches responsibility to educate their players bearing in mind their age and emotional ages. It should not be "win at any cost" ethos.

3. It. Official Wording on the 5 Criteria Article 37 / UF Criteria 1ts

Not a legitimate attempt to play the ball within the spirit and intent of the rules.

Excessive, hard contact caused by a player in an effort to play the ball or an opponent.

An unnecessary contact caused by the defensive player in order to stop the progress of the offensive team in transition. This applies until the offensive player begins the act of shooting.

Criteria C4

Contact by the defensive player from behind or laterally on an opponent in an attempt to stop the fast break and there is no defensive player between the offensive player and the opponent's basket. This applies until the offensive player begins the act of shooting.

Criteria C5

Contact by the defensive player on an opponent on the playing court during the last 2 minutes in the last period and in éach extra period, when the ball is out of-bounds for a throw-in and still the hands of the official or at the disposal of the player taking the throw-in.

JUNIOR ASSOCIATES



Words Director James Davies

Could you be a YBL influencer?

We want to hear the voice of the juniors who play within out leagues. At the moment the YBL staff make all the decisions, would you like to be able to help shape those decisions?

We want the YBL to be the best for; young, grassroots and development leagues in the World!

The J.A.I. is in its planning stages; this is your opportunity to voice your opinions and ideas about what is good and what could be better.

Jade Kinch will be YBL Lead on this project. The group will meet twice during the season and then with the Board of Directors at the end of the season.

We would like representation from as wide an audience as possible with at least each age group represented.

We'll try our best to spread the meetings so there is not always a lot of travel for those attending (because, we know it will be the parents bringing them!).

So, if you want to influence the YBL and become a Junior Associate then please email Director Kim on admin@ybl.org.uk.

LICENCES

For players, coaches and officials

Words Director Kim Humphreys

[Nope! –JD]

Many clubs and individuals are still struggling with

officiate within the YBL.

If you watch our YouTube video this week, I will

scoresheets for each role.

R000123 Referee **Table** T000124

Local League Player A000125 **National League Player**

P000126

C000127

Coach

WEWANT 500 A few Stats

Words Director James Davies

Our YouTube Channel is gaining popularity as we start our second season of videos. Most people have commented on the new format of last weeks video and the more relaxed approach Kim and I have taken.

Over the course of the season, there will be several YouTube series that we have already started to produce; fan clips, game reviews, coaches' corner, player interviews plus a lot more!

We want you to spread the YBL joy and get subscribing to our YouTube channel. We'd like to reach 500 by the end of the season in April 2020.

We need your help to do this. Any ideas you have that can boost the ratings, get in touch. Please, get your family, friends and team mates to subscribe and hit the bell notification button!

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Top 3 +50% Free Throws in no particular order

54.5% 6/11

B. Farouk Bournville Bears

C. Martin

66.0% 8/12

Coventry Tornadoes

A. Stone, Bournville Bears 51.7% 15/29 2

Q No. of Players who have played in two weeks

Highest points scored from Bournville Bears

Q three pointers in one game from Redditch Royals

No. of players fouled out in their first game

C Q No. of fouls recorded in the first two weeks

Unsportsmanlike Fouls

No. of Players with two tech's

What are you saying?

Dave Bradshaw (U17: Redditch Royals vs Bournville Bears) Very close game [with] no more than four points between both teams, lead changing 5 times. Great advert for the Game.

Kevin King (U13: Shrewsbury Storm vs Bournville Bears) Great game, played in good hard working spirit

Chris Gibbs (U13: Bromsgrove Bears vs Redditch Rookies)

Good first game! Kayleigh Bradfield (U15: Coventry Elite vs Walsall 99ers) Great first game!