

LEN INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF RED AND YELLOW CARDS

This is to clarify the use of Red and Yellow Cards and includes the latest changes from LEN.

YELLOW CARD

A Yellow Card is to be considered as a warning and could be shown ONLY to the first coach. When the first coach is shown the Yellow Card he continues with the responsibilities and privileges of the coach, i.e. he could coach the team, request the Time outs and also will have the right to move around and up to the centre of the field of play when his team is in attack even during the match where he is shown the yellow card, as well as subsequent matches.

This yellow card WILL NOT be carried for subsequent matches or tournaments played after the match, at which a first coach had been shown the yellow card, is finished.

RED CARD

However any repetition of misconduct during a match or tournament at which a first coach had been shown a yellow card, such a coach will be shown the red card and will be suspended immediately from the bench for at least the first subsequent match in the same competition, WHETHER this is played during the tournament or afterwards. The sanction could be more than one match depending on the gravity of the situation.

The red card is the only card that will be carried from one tournament or (match not played during the same period), to the other tournament or match until the sanction has been served. Immediately the first coach is suspended, the second official takes over the position of the head coach but without his privileges. The second coach has to stay on the bench and is only allowed to ask for a timeout.

One has to be clear that a red card could be shown to the first coach without previously been shown the yellow card should the situation warrant immediate expulsion.

If any of the other two officials on the team bench misbehave, there is no warning for them (no yellow card), they will be shown the red card immediately and sanctioned accordingly.

All those persons that are shown a red card are to leave the bench immediately and suspended for subsequent match or matches according to the seriousness of the case. Any bench official who is thus suspended could not be replaced at the next match/s until the suspension is served and therefore the number of team officials on the bench is curtailed accordingly.

The suspended persons are to stay on the tribune at a fixed place indicated to them by the delegate, without passing any remarks or instructions to his team or referee. In default of this, the delegate could order the coach out of the swimming pool and impose a further suspension.