

Sportsmanship Points in Competitive Divisions

Sportsmanship points will affect team standings. The affect will manifest itself in two ways.

1. The percentage of sportsmanship points will affect the total points in a team's standings. On a weekly basis, the percentage of sportsmanship points will be multiplied by the total standings points. A team with no deductions loses no standings points. A team losing sportsmanship points will lose points in the standings.
2. If, at the end of the season, a team has earned less than 95% of its possible sportsmanship points, it will not qualify for the playoffs.

Sportsmanship points deduction guidelines

If necessary, the **Referee** will deduct sportsmanship points at the end of the game. **Referees** and **Coaches** *should be aware of the following guidelines* regarding the number of points to be deducted for certain violations.

- Sportsmanship points may be deducted for any poor performance in a category. For example, unacceptable spectator dissent could result in a deduction of 1 or more points in the "Spectator conduct" category.
- Deduct 1 point from "Player conduct" or "Coach conduct" for **each Caution** issued.
- Deduct all 5 points from "Player conduct" or "Coach conduct" when a **Send-Off** is given.
- Give a score for each category, then total them up. The total should not be greater than 23 points.
- If 2 or more points are deducted from any category, an explanation for the deduction is required.