



SDFDC Spectator Rule Breach Summary

The Swans District Football Development Council (SFDC) promotes a positive game-day environment in accordance with the Spirit of the Game (By-Law 1) and the Parent's Code of Conduct. **Should a spectator behave in a manner which breaches the Parent's Code of Conduct, the Umpire will be permitted to do the following:**

- 1) Stop the game by blowing the whistle.
- 2) Approach the spectator's respective club's dugout and advise the Team Manager or Club Official of the details of the breach.
- 3) The Umpire will indicate the spectator to the Team Manager or Club Official.
- 4) The Umpire will advise the following to the Team Manager or Club Official. "This is an official spectator warning. Should there be any further breaches of the Parents Code of Conduct, it will result in a report to the JCC Executive."
- 5) The Umpire will advise the players of the reasons for the official spectator warning.
- 6) Play will resume at the last act of play with a ball-up.
- 7) Should the spectator in question or another spectator cause any further breaches, the game will be stopped by a blow of the whistle.
- 8) The Umpire will approach the spectator's respective club dugout and advise the Team Manager/Team Officials of the secondary breach.
- 9) The Umpire will indicate the spectator to the Team Manager or Club Official.
- 10) A free kick and a 50 metre penalty will be awarded against the offending team.
- 11) The matter will be placed on the match report for the attention of the JCC Executive.

Please Note

Following the receipt of the second breach, the club in question will automatically be penalised with a \$100 fine by the JCC Executive. Clubs might look to pass on such a penalty to the spectator in question. Failure to pay this penalty will render the club or registered player (attached to the offending spectator) as non-financial and could potentially impact their eligibility to play in the future.