

### NCS, CIF EJECTION POLICY 2020-21 COACH NOTIFICATION FORM

The following is a partial summary of NCS, CIF Ejection Policy rules and minimum penalties applicable to players and coaches as adopted by the NCS Board of Managers. The Head Coach is responsible for determining the cause of ejection for any of their players or coaching staff members and is responsible for enforcement of the NCS, CIF Ejection Policy. Confusion over the cause of a player or coaching staff member's ejection shall not be the basis for allowing a player or coaching staff member to avoid the sanctions required by the NCS, CIF Ejection Policy.

1. Ejection of a player or coach from a scrimmage:  
Penalty: A player or coach who is ejected from a scrimmage must complete the NFHS Sportsmanship course prior to the next contest. During a scrimmage, if more than one player or coach from a team is ejected or participates in a fight, then the team and coaches shall complete the NFHS online sportsmanship course prior to the next contest, the team shall lose one (1) practice the following week and will be put on probation for the remainder of the school year.
  
2. Ejection of a player from a contest:  
Penalty: A player ejected from a contest for violation of a NFHS or sports governing body rule (other than assaultive behavior/fighting or leaving the bench area during a fight) shall be ineligible for the next contest (non-league, league, invitational tournament, post-season {league, section or state} playoff). A player ejected a second time under this provision shall be ineligible for the next three contests. A player ejected a third time under this provision shall be ineligible for the remainder of the season (includes post-season play). If the ejection is for unsportsmanlike conduct, the player must also complete the NFHS online Sportsmanship course.
  
3. Ejection of a player from a contest for gross unsportsmanlike conduct, assaultive behavior/fighting (throwing a punch; striking an opponent with fist, locked hands, forearm or elbow; kicking or kneeling; biting) or leaving the bench area:  
Penalty: A player ejected from a contest for these reasons is ineligible for the school's next three contests. In unusual circumstances the NCS Commissioner may increase the suspension up to six games. In addition, these player(s) shall complete the online NFHS Sportsmanship course. The player may not participate until the course has been completed and the player has met with the school principal or his/her designee. A player ejected a second time under this provision shall be ineligible for the remainder of the season (includes post-season play).
  
4. Ejection of coaches, assistant coaches and/or coaching representatives for unsportsmanlike conduct as defined by a NFHS or sports governing body rule.  
Penalty: A coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative who is ejected from a contest for unsportsmanlike conduct as defined by a NFHS or sports governing body rule shall be disqualified from any coaching activities for the remainder of the day and the school's next contest (non-league, league, invitational tournament, post-season {league, section or state} playoff). The coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative will immediately remove themselves from their coaching responsibilities in accordance with National Federation or sport governing rules for the respective sport. The coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative must leave the vicinity of the playing area immediately and is prohibited from any contact, direct or indirect, with the team players and other team personnel during the remainder of the contest. If there is no other coaching representative who is certified by the school in accordance with CIF Bylaw 503, the contest shall be terminated and declared a forfeit. The offending coach's school will be credited with a loss and the opposing school shall be credited with a win.

The ejected coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative will be prohibited from attending the next contest for that team or any other team in the same sport prior to serving the penalty. Coaches also must meet with their respective Athletic Director and/or School Administrator and complete the online NFHS Sportsmanship course.

A coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative ejected a second time from a contest during one season for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be prohibited from coaching or attending the next three contests for that team. In unusual circumstances the NCS Commissioner may increase the suspension up to six contests. A coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative ejected a third time from a contest during one season for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be prohibited from participating in the remainder of the season (includes post-season play).

A coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative who is ejected for fighting, assaultive behavior or gross unsportsmanlike conduct shall be disqualified for the team's remaining contests for the season.

5. Before a player or coach may participate in a contest following a multiple contest disqualification, must meet with the school principal to discuss future behavioral expectations and complete the NCS Return to Competition Form.
6. Illegal participation in the next contest by a player or coach ejected in a previous contest.  
Penalty: Illegal participation in the next contest after a player, coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative has been ejected shall result in the contest being forfeited and the ineligible player, coach, assistant coach and/or coaching representative shall be ineligible for the next contest.
7. When one or more players leave the bench to begin or participate in an altercation.  
Penalty: The school, league or NCS may use electronic video to identify players who have left the bench area to begin or participate in an altercation. This identification may be made after the jurisdiction of the game officials has ended. Players so identified are subject to the penalties outlined in NCS Ejection Policy. Electronic video may also be used to identify players who were erroneously identified as having left the bench area.
8. When a school incurs multiple ejections in the same sport and level of competition during the same season the following is required:
  - a. The Head Coach must meet with the Athletic Director and/or School Administrator to review the Sportsmanship guidelines in the NCS Sports & General Rulings Handbook.
  - b. The Head Coach must take the NFHS Sportsmanship course and forward the certificate of completion to the League Commissioner. Non-League Affiliate Members must send the certificate to the NCS Coordinator of Officials.
  - c. The school must develop an action plan for the team regarding sportsmanship and forward the plan to the League Commissioner. Non-League Affiliate Members must send the action plan to the NCS Coordinator of Officials. The plan must be submitted within five business days after notification of this requirement is sent to the school.

If a varsity level team has any further ejections during the same season of sport, the team will not be allowed to host during the NCS Championships for that sport. The NCS Commissioner has the authority pursuant to the NCS Sports & General Rulings Handbook and the NCS Board of Managers Policy Statement (g) to impose additional sanctions on the school regarding sportsmanship issues.

9. Physical Assault of an Official:  
Penalty: The person alleged to have physically assaulted an official shall be ineligible to participate in or attend any contests until the investigation has been completed and the NCS Commissioner of Athletics has accepted the results and recommendation of the school's investigation.

I have been provided with a complete version of the NCS, CIF Ejection Policy. I understand that this Coach Notification Form is only a partial summary of the information contained within the NCS, CIF Ejection Policy. I also understand that there are severe consequences for coaches and team members for assaultive behavior/fighting and leaving the bench area to begin or participate in an altercation.

Coach's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

SPORT \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ VAR \_\_\_ JV \_\_\_ F/S \_\_\_ FR \_\_\_

This signed Coach Notification Form is to be maintained at the school.