



Fair Play Points Allocation Guidelines

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At the conclusion of each round game, referees award each team up to 3 points in the Association's Fair Play awards. There is a prize at the end of each season for the team/s with the highest score.

The BCTA does not expect perfect behaviour from all players in every game, and it is not the purpose of the Fair Play awards to penalise occasional minor transgressions. The Association recognises that Touch is a competitive sport and players must be allowed to vent their frustrations from time to time. It is only when this is done in an inappropriate or excessive manner that points should be deducted. It is anticipated that teams will be awarded 2 or 3 points in the vast majority of games.

Please note that these definitions and examples are intended as **guides only**, designed to increase consistency between referees and give players a clearer understanding of the Association's expectations. Referees remain free to use their discretion and depart from the guidelines should they deem it appropriate.

Examples:

Points	Guidelines
3 Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exemplary display or • Up to 2-3 minor transgressions
2 Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Player sin-binned or • More than 2-3 minor transgressions but no major ones
1 Point	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 major transgression or • More than 5-6 minor transgressions
0 Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 1 major transgression

Minor Transgressions include:	Major Transgressions include:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard touches • Mild swearing • Disputing a referee's decision • Poor sportsmanship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overly physical play • Fighting • Calling "phantom" touches • Abusing players, referees, coaches or spectators • Most sin-bin offences • All send-off offences