

SPORTSMANSHIP POLICY

RATING SYSTEM

Each team will be rated by the respective officials and/or intramural supervisor for each contest according to the sportsmanship displayed. It is the responsibility of the team captain to find out what rating his/her team receives. Teams that have a question about their assigned rating should submit it in writing to the Coordinator of Intramural Sports. The following system will be utilized:

3 points - Outstanding - This rating will be given to a team that demonstrates the willingness to go above and beyond the expected behavior of a competitive sports team.

2 points - Good - This rating will be given to a team that demonstrates good sportsmanship and maintains an attitude of complete cooperation.

1 point - Fair – This rating will be given to a team under the following conditions:

- The team has been warned about unnecessary roughness.
- Players, other than the designated captain, persist in questioning the officials, or any player repeatedly argues with an official.
- Spectators clearly related to the team fail to conduct themselves in an orderly fashion.
- The team fails to cooperate with the officials to keep the game running in an orderly fashion.

0 points - Poor – This rating will be given to a team under the following conditions:

- A player or coach is ejected for any reason by an official, intramural supervisor, or any intramural staff personnel.
- A coach, player, or spectator clearly related to the team repeatedly makes abusive remarks toward an opponent, official, or any intramural staff in charge of the activity.
- Any physical abuse is used towards an opponent, official, or intramural staff member.
- The team, after being warned, continues to use unnecessary roughness.
- Spectators clearly related to the team engage in disruptive behavior that jeopardizes the officials' ability to control the game.

• The team shows willful disregard for the rules and/or policies of the Intramural Sports program including, but not limited to, participating under an assumed name or the use of an ineligible player.

Any team that accumulates two "poors" in a season will be removed from competition in that sport. **NOTE:** A team receiving a poor rating during a league or All-University playoff game will not be allowed to advance to the next round. That team's opponent will receive a forfeit win and advance in their place.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct Defined

Unsportsmanlike Conduct is defined as a player, coach, or spectator who at any time while on field or on the grounds of an Azusa Pacific University Intramural Sport Event conducts themselves in an abusive, offensive, or illegal manner during game situations or outside of game situations. This includes but is not exclusive to:

- Fighting
- Verbal abuse or dissent toward an official or opponent
- Racial or ethnic slurs
- Inappropriate comments or actions that may be construed as sexual harassment
- profanity
- Obscene gestures
- Flagrant and violent fouls
- Taunting
- Trash talk
- Baiting
- Cheating
- Throwing or abusing equipment
- Inappropriate posters
- Physical intimidation or abuse of an official or opponent
- Unauthorized leaving of a team bench area
- Striking or physically abusing an official opposing coach, or player
- Intentionally inciting participants or spectators to violent or abusive action
- Using profane or unduly provocative language or action toward officials, opponents, or spectators
- Being critical publicly of any game official, Azusa Pacific University personnel, another university, or its personnel
- Any acts of deceit