



TEMPORARY REMOVAL OF VENUE ACCESS PENDING TRIBUNAL HEARING

Policy statement

Due to rise in the number of reportable incidents relating to spectator behaviour from Wyndham Basketball Association (WBA) competitions being referred to the Basketball Victoria (BV) Tribunal, the WBA has developed the following policy to protect the interests of all participants and the integrity of the tribunal process.

Background

This policy statement covers all Executive members, members of the association, staff and its agents. It covers all volunteers (paid or otherwise), players, coaches, spectators, referees, supervisors, team followers, and all participants associated with Wyndham Basketball Association.

Overview

The policy is outlined below:

Any player, coach, team manager, team follower or spectator who has been reported and offered an Alternate Tribunal Procedure (under BV Tribunal Bylaws section 12), however, chooses to decline the ATP and proceed to a Tribunal hearing will be subject to this policy.

The BV tribunal chairperson will determine on a case-by-case basis the implementation of the policy.

The individual will be suspended from entering any Wyndham Basketball Association (WBA) venue during basketball activities (competition games, club training, or WBA programs/events), and therefore ineligible to participate, until the Tribunal Hearing has been heard and a decision issued.

The individual will receive notification (Notice) from the BV Tribunal Secretary via email of the temporary removal of venue access. A copy will be sent to the Club (for junior competition matters) or the Team Delegate (for senior competition matters).

The action above does not constitute a presumption of guilt or predetermine the outcome of the tribunal hearing.

If the individual fails to comply with this requirement, they may be subject to further disciplinary action.

This policy aims to;

- Protect the integrity of the competition and the tribunal process.
- Ensure the safety and wellbeing of players, officials, volunteers, spectators and staff.
- Minimise the risk of further incidents occurring while the reported matter remains unresolved.
- Provide a clear and consistent process for all reported spectators.

This policy will be reviewed annually.

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