



## Cheat Sheet for Section 11-Maltreatment

### Pre-Amble

This document means to give officials a simple resource for the penalties to be assessed when a player, coach, or spectator is acting in an unsportsmanlike, abusive, or harassing way. This document does not mean to replace section 11 of the Hockey Canada Rule book.

### The table of penalty options for maltreatment<sup>1</sup>

First, note that you never give a verbal warning before assessing a penalty or ejecting a spectator. You never need to say, “if you don’t stop, I will penalize (or eject) you.” Make the call.

<b>Player is committing maltreatment</b>	<b>Coach is committing Maltreatment</b>	<b>Spectator is committing maltreatment</b>
Bench minor penalty	Minor penalty	Identify the spectator who is committing maltreatment and ask them to leave. Then retreat to a position away from them and let them leave. Do not engage them.
10-minute misconduct	You may not assess a 10	
Game Misconduct	Game Misconduct	
Gross misconduct (for discrimination or making a travesty of the game)	Gross misconduct (for discrimination or making a travesty of the game)	
Match penalty (for verbal threats or attempt to injure another person)	Match penalty (for verbal threats or attempt to injure another person)	
		See the button called “removing someone” on <a href="http://wpgrefs.com/referee-maltreatment">wpgrefs.com/referee-maltreatment</a> .

### How to use this table

Here are the three ways to use this table:

1. For players and coaches, start at the top of the column (minor penalty) for the first instance of maltreatment then move down the column using the next level of penalty for the next situation of maltreatment.
  - a. Minor → Misconduct (for players) → Game Misconduct → Gross Misconduct.
  - b. A Match penalty is never used for escalating the severity of the penalty.
2. For coaches and players, when you feel the situation immediately requires a specific type of penalty, then go directly to that type of penalty rather than starting with a minor penalty.
3. For spectators, you eject them for maltreatment. There is no penalty.

<sup>1</sup> You can find examples and more detailed explanations on [www.wpgrefs.com/referee-maltreatment](http://www.wpgrefs.com/referee-maltreatment)