

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY
DEDHAM YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
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Dedham Youth Soccer strictly adheres to the BAYS Zero Tolerance Policy in both our Town and Travel Programs.

Coaches, players, parents and all members of the Dedham Youth Soccer community are expected to uphold this policy and respect the referee regardless of their age or experience.

Zero tolerance violations will be taken very seriously by DYSA and BAYS, and will result in warnings, suspensions, or removal from Dedham Youth Soccer.

DYSA/BAYS Zero Tolerance Policy

All individuals responsible for a team and all spectators shall support the referee. Failure to do so will undermine the referee's authority and has the potential of creating a hostile environment for the players, the referee, and all the other participants and spectators.

Consequently, BAYS and DYSA has adopted and modified the following rules, these rules apply to both the Town and Travel programs:

1. No one, except the players, is to speak to the referee during or after the game. Exceptions: Coaches may ask questions before the game, call for substitutions and point out emergencies during the game, or respond to the referee if addressed.
2. Absolutely no disputing calls, during or after the game, no remarks to the referee to watch certain players or attend to rough play. **NO YELLING** at the referee, **EVER**, and no criticism, sarcasm, harassment, intimidation, or feedback of any kind during or after the game.
3. Violators may be ejected and are subject to disciplinary action by the BAYS Sportsmanship Review Committee and /or DYSA Protest Board.
4. If coaches or spectators have questions regarding particular calls, rules, or a referee, or wish to give feedback regarding a referee, please contact:
 - the town soccer club referee's coordinator for the game in question, or
 - the BAYS Referees Representative at <http://www.bays.org>, or
 - the DYSA Town Referee Directors at <http://www.dedhamsoccer.com> and use the feedback section.