



WSoR - Compliance with the Core Values of the Game

Introduction:

There has been a huge increase in the amount of:

- appealing,
- shouting at the referee
- use of foul and obscene language
- winding up the opposition
 - head slapping
 - applauding their mistakes
 - sledging
- inappropriate celebrations
- pushing and shoving opponents after collapsed scrums, etc.

We as a Society are to have a zero tolerance of this next season and will come down hard on those that are not willing to behave in an acceptable manner.

Stakeholders:

- All members of the WSoR who accept appointments must agree to buy into this proposal without question
- Match observers should make comment in their reports if this is not adhered to.
- The WRFU is supporting us in this
 - with communicating the proposal to the clubs and other CBs
 - support if any disciplinary action needs to be taken against clubs or individuals
- The clubs should recognise there is a problem and educate their players and coaches into the core values, especially conduct in the game and the spirit in which the game should be played.

Process:

- The process will be communicated to all stakeholders via email, websites and social media
 - Clubs and other CBs by WRFU
 - Match officials and other referee societies by WSoR
- The referee will remind the captains in their briefing, of the process and stress that there will be zero tolerance
- If any issues occur the referee will immediately blow their whistle and penalise the offender with a penalty, or more if it is serious.
- The referee will summon the captain and instruct him to talk to his team and remind them that any further transgression will mean the culprit will leave the field.
- Any foul play involving violent behaviour will be dealt with a serious, e.g. slapping an opponent is striking. This should be dealt with as per the same in the tackle
 - Deliberate - penalty
 - To the head - yellow
 - With force – red
- Referees need to communicate with each other and the Society if they encounter issues with a club that goes beyond more than one penalty.