

# NFHS and NCHSAA Misconduct Penalties

Type of Offense	Offender	Consequence for First Offense	Consequence for Second Offense	Rule Reference
Deliberately remove a helmet in live ball territory during live ball play	Player	Team Warning	Disqualification (any subsequent player)	1-5-1
Failure to wear proper equipment when directed to by an umpire	Player	Warning	Disqualification	1-5-4
Improperly worn non-electronic equipment (i.e., wristbands)	Player	Warning	Disqualification-offender and Head Coach	1-6-1
Illegal use of electronic communication devices	Coach	Warning	Disqualification-offender and Head Coach	1-6-2, 3-2-5
Illegal substitute	Player	Restriction	Disqualification (same player)	3-1-1
Head Coach refuses to attend the pregame conference	Head Coach	Restriction		3-2-4
Leave the dugout during a live ball for an unauthorized purpose	Any participant	Warning	Disqualification	3-3-1a
Fake a tag without the ball	Player	Warning (also obstruction, 8-3-2)	Disqualification (any subsequent player)	3-3-1b
Carelessly thrown bat	Player	Warning	Disqualification (any subsequent player)	3-3-1c
Wear a bandanna	Player	Warning	Disqualification (any subsequent player)	3-3-1d
Hit the ball to players on defense after the game has started	Any participant	Warning	Disqualification	3-3-1e
Use of words or actions to incite spectator's demonstrations	Any participant	Disqualification		3-3-1f-1
Use of profanity, inappropriate language, racial/ethnic slurs, sexist, or homophobic language	Any participant	Ejection		3-3-1f-2 NCHSAA 3.3.7-f

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Use intimidation tactics including-taunting, bat flipping, baiting, or spitting towards an opponent or an official	Any participant	Ejection		3-3-1f-2, 3 NCHSAA 3.3.7-e
Obscene gestures in manner to intimidate or instigate	Any participant	Ejection		3-3-1f-2 NCHSAA 3.3.7-g
Biting	Player	Ejection		NCHSAA 3.3.7-d
Disrespectfully addressing an umpire <b>(Personal)</b>	Any participant	Ejection		3-3-1f-2 NCHSAA 3.3.7-h
Using excessive or histrionic gestures directed at an umpire or game official	Any participant	Disqualification		3-3-1f-2
<b>Prolonged</b> or continued arguing/refusal to stop.	Any participant	Warning	Disqualification	3-3-1f-2
Behavior not in accordance with the spirit of fair play	Any participant	Warning	Disqualification	3-3-1f-4
Coach, other than the head coach that leaves a position (box or bench) to question/argue a judgement call	Any Participant	Disqualification		3-3-1f-6
Confronting or disrespectful post-game conduct directed towards an umpire while at game site	Any participant	Ejection		3-3-1f-7 NCHSAA 3.3.7-h
Objects in coaches' box other than a scorebook (hard copy) stopwatch and a rule book	Coach	Warning	Disqualification	3-3-1h
Nonplaying personnel in live ball territory	Any participant	Warning	Disqualification	3-3-1i
Deliberately throw equipment (bats, helmets, etc..) in reaction to a call	Any participant	Disqualification		3-3-1l

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Malicious or flagrant contact (offense or defense)	Player	Ejection		3-3-1m NCHSAA 3.3.7-c1
Call "Time" or use other commands or acts for the purpose of causing a balk	Any Participant	Warning	Disqualification (any subsequent participant)	3-3-1n
Use of tobacco or tobacco like products	Any participant	Ejection		3-3-1o NCHSAA 3.3.7-i
Fighting or leaving a position/bench area during a fight or physical confrontation	Any participant	Ejection (a coach attempting to restore order is not in violation)		3-3-1p NCHSAA 3.3.7-a 1-4, b
Have physical contact, spit, kick dirt or engage in any physical action directed toward an umpire	Any participant	Ejection		3-3-1-q NCHSAA 3.3.7-h
Loosening up not in the vicinity of their teams on deck circle while the pitcher is warming up	Player	Warning	Disqualification	3-3-4
Two or more players having more than allowed one team meeting.		Umpires shall deny any subsequent defensive team meeting in the half inning		3-4-6
The batter enters the box with an illegal bat	Player	Batter is out (7-4-1a), Head Coach is restricted	Batter is out; Head Coach is disqualified. For subsequent violations, the acting head coach is disqualified	4-1-3b
A team refuses to continue to play after the game has started			Forfeit	4-3-1b

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A team delays more than a reasonable amount of time in resuming play, or in not obeying the umpires order to remove a player, coach or team personnel (3-3-2) for violation of the rule			Forfeit	4-3-1c
A team persists in tactics designed to delay or shorten the game			Forfeit	4-3-1d
A team is unable to provide at least nine players to start the game or cannot provide eight players to finish the game.			Forfeit	4-3-1f
Pitcher applying a foreign substance to the ball, spitting on the ball, defacing the ball, discoloring the ball	Pitcher	Warning (if minor)	Disqualification	6-2-1
Intentionally pitch close to a batter	Pitcher	Warning (in case of doubt)	Disqualification (if intentional)	6-2-3