



Consequences of misconduct in coaching children

With respect to children under 14 years of age

It is the sole responsibility of the association to ensure that any individual representing the club as a coach in a children's competition is fully familiar with SKF's rules and competition regulations.

Actions to be taken in the case of active/inappropriate coaching:

1. If the Referee finds that the coach or another individual in the vicinity of the tatami is coaching in an inappropriate way or is disrupting the match in any other way, the Referee shall halt the match and signal to the individual to be silent (finger before the mouth).

In this case, J2 and J3 have a responsibility because they are sitting closest to the coaches; J2 and J3 can rotate the flag upwards and then point at the coach, if they have noted this inappropriate behaviour. Such situations do not require a "flag majority". It is sufficient for the Referee to decide on action, or if one or more flag judges signal to the Referee and the Referee considers that the coach's behaviour is inappropriate.

2. If the inappropriate behaviour continues, the Referee shall stop the match, and remove the coach to the spectator or other area away from the tatami. The Referee will then inform the Chief Referee and an incident report will be forwarded to the Referee commission.

Should the coach/individual continue to coach inappropriately, shout or otherwise speak or act disrespectfully from the spectator or other area, the Referee shall stop the match and call the Chief Referee. The Chief Referee shall approach the coach/individual and inform him/her that unless the behaviour stops immediately, the entire club will be disqualified from the competition; all results will be removed from the record and any medals to be awarded to the club's members will be withheld.

If a coach/individual is expelled from the area, expulsion applies for the duration of the competition. The coach/individual is not allowed to proceed to another tatami and continue coaching.