

FILB Basketball League Discipline Policy

FILB LLC maintains a strict discipline policy to preserve the integrity, professionalism, and safety of league competition. All players, coaches, and team personnel are subject to the disciplinary rules outlined below.

FILB administration reserves the right to review and enforce disciplinary action at any time.

1. Technical Fouls

Technical fouls are issued for unsportsmanlike behavior, excessive arguing, or conduct that disrupts the game.

Examples include:

- **Excessive arguing with referees**
- **Profanity directed toward officials**
- **Taunting or disrespectful gestures toward opponents**
- **Delaying the game**
- **Throwing the ball in frustration**

Penalty Structure:

- **2 Technical Fouls in the same game: Automatic ejection**
- **2 Technical Fouls in the same game: 1-game suspension**
- **3 Technical Fouls accumulated during the season: 1-game suspension**

Technical foul totals may continue to be tracked throughout the season, and additional disciplinary action may be taken by FILB administration if misconduct continues.

Technical foul totals reset at the start of a new season unless otherwise determined by FILB administration.

2. Ejections

Any player, coach, or team personnel ejected from a game must immediately leave the court and facility area.

Failure to leave the facility promptly may result in additional suspension.

Standard Penalties

- **Automatic minimum 1-game suspension**
- **Additional suspension may be applied depending on the severity of the incident.**

Reasons for ejection may include:

- **Two technical fouls**
- **Abusive or threatening language**
- **Aggressive conduct toward officials or staff**
- **Unsportsmanlike behavior deemed severe by referees**

3. Fighting and Physical Altercations

FILB maintains a zero tolerance policy for fighting.

A fight is defined as any physical altercation beyond normal basketball contact, including throwing punches, aggressive shoving, or escalating confrontation.

Penalties

- **Immediate ejection**
- **Minimum 2-game suspension**
- **Possible season suspension or permanent ban depending on severity**

Any player leaving the bench area to participate in a fight may also face suspension.

4. Abuse Toward Officials or Staff

Respect for officials and league staff is mandatory.

The following behaviors are considered serious violations:

- **Threatening language toward referees**
- **Physical intimidation**
- **Contact with an official**
- **Harassment before, during, or after games**

Penalties may include

- **Immediate ejection**
- **Multi-game suspension**
- **Season suspension**
- **Permanent removal from FILB activities**
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5. Dangerous or Intentional Play

Any action intended to injure another player will be taken seriously.

Examples include:

- **Flagrant contact beyond basketball play**
- **Retaliation fouls**
- **Dangerous or reckless conduct**

Penalties may include:

- **Flagrant foul assessment**
- **Ejection**
- **Suspension following league review**

6. Post-Game Review

FILB administration reserves the right to review:

- **Game footage**
- **Referee reports**
- **Staff observations**

Disciplinary action may be applied after the game, even if a penalty was not issued during play.

7. Suspensions

Players serving suspensions:

- **May not participate in games during the suspension**

- **May not enter the court during games**

Failure to follow suspension rules may result in extended disciplinary action.

8. Team Responsibility

Teams are responsible for the conduct of their players.

If a team repeatedly violates FILB standards, the league may issue:

- **Forfeits**
- **Team suspension**
- **Removal from the league**

9. Final Authority

All disciplinary decisions made by FILB LLC are final.

The league reserves the right to enforce additional penalties when necessary to maintain the professionalism, safety, and competitive integrity of FILB competition.