



NO ZONE POLICY

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INTRODUCTION

- Zone defence is not allowed during any Under 12 or Under 14 MUVJBL games. If the opposition coach believes a zone has been played, the coach is required to follow the below procedure as instructed by the MUVJBL Admin.
- The exception to this is If a team has 4 players on the court, they may play a zone OR
- If a team has only 5 players suited up, they can play a zone in the first half and must play man to man in the second half.

PURPOSE

The main purpose of the No Zone Policy is to encourage coaches to teach their players correct man to man principles and help develop their players at a young age.

The secondary purpose is to bring our competition rules into line with the Under 14 National Championships run by Basketball Australia, where they don't allow Zones to be played.

POLICY

At no stage is the Coach/Players/Spectators to approach the opposition team, referees or the referee coaches to discuss the alleged incident during the game or after the game, this will avoid any unnecessary conflict between the two teams. **Offenders may be put on report.**

It is the responsibility of the 'Coach' to contact the 'Nominated Person' (as nominated on the entry form) from their Association to discuss how they believe the opposition team played a zone (provide video evidence if available).

If the 'Nominated Person' believes the 'Coach' is correct and the team played a zone, the 'Nominated Person' will be responsible for lodging the complaint with the MUVJBL Admin. The 'Nominated Person' can do this by downloading the 'No Zone Complaint Form' from the MUVJBL website and return it (with video/written evidence) within 60 hours of the completion of their Scheduled game.

The MUVJBL Admin. will review the 'Video/Written Evidence' provided and if necessary the Basketball Victoria Coaching department will be consulted before a decision is reached.

Once the review is completed the MUVJBL Admin. will discuss its findings with the 'Association Delegate' that made the original complaint and if necessary the 'Association Delegate' from the Association accused of playing a zone.

The 'Association Delegate' will then have 24 hours to appeal the decision in writing to the MUVJBL Admin.

If required the MUVJBL Admin. will then review the appeal and make their final ruling.

AUTHORISATION

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