



Blackburn Branch

BLOOD RULE POLICY

The game and game clock must be stopped for any player who bleeds on the Court. The Player must leave the Court playing area immediately and seek the necessary medical attention.

The Referee will administer a Referee's Time Out and all Players must leave the Court and remain in respective Bench areas until the blood has been correctly cleaned from the Court.

The Referee will call for the Venue Manager to provide the Competition/Venue designated Blood Bucket and cleaning aids.

Time In may be called, game may resume and clock be restarted as soon as the area has been correctly cleaned.

The Player cannot return to the game, until the bleeding has stopped; the wound is covered and all blood from their singlet/uniform or body has been cleaned/removed.

A Player is permitted to change into an alternate singlet/uniform/top providing the colour does not clash with the opposing team. Under these circumstances, uniform penalty will not apply.

Guidelines for Clean Up of Blood Spill:-

[i] If there is blood spill on the Court or the game basketball, it must be cleaned before play can be resumed.

[ii] It is the responsibility of the Referee to oversee the cleaning of the ball and to arrange for the provision of a non-contaminated ball.

[iii] Cleaning solution; rubber gloves and paper towels must be used to clean up the spill. The clean up gloves and paper towels must be placed inside a tie-up garbage bag and disposed into a receptacle bin.

[iv] Gloves; cleaning solution and paper towels MUST always be used in the clean up and disposed of correctly. The Blood Bucket and cleaning aids MUST be directly returned to the Venue Manager.

It is the responsibility of Venue Management to maintain supply of the Blood Bucket and the cleaning aids.

[v] At Stadiums without an appointed Venue Manager, the Referee will call upon the Player's Team to manage the Blood Bucket clean up.

BLOOD ON FLOORS/EQUIPMENT/SEATS ETC is the responsibility of the Player/Parent or Team Manager/Coach to clean the area concerned, in accordance with the abovementioned guidelines.