

This Policy applies to all members of Petanque New Zealand affiliated clubs, and all spectators at Petanque New Zealand events.

All participants in Petanque New Zealand (PNZ) tournaments or representing New Zealand in a PNZ- selected team must accept responsibility for their behaviour.

PNZ reserves the right to ask any coach, manager, player or spectator to immediately leave the venue should they

- Wilfully question or challenge the rulings of the umpire(s)
- Berate or abuse umpires
- Berate or abuse players
- Berate or abuse spectators
- Display conduct which is inappropriate in a sporting environment
- Fail to adhere to PNZ's rules of participation

Any such conduct will result in further formal action by PNZ, which may include exclusion from future events and representative teams.

This Zero Tolerance policy is aimed at eliminating inappropriate and/or abusive behaviour at tournaments, thereby nurturing a safe competitive environment for participants at all levels.

If you require clarification on this issue, or would like to offer feedback, please speak with the Tournament Director; relevant team coach, or contact PNZ via the secretary (secretary@petanquenz.com)

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