

Violations: Cheat Sheet (revised Oct 2021)

Retraction 15.0

- Retractions can only be given for a violation which occurs during the *release of the ball* (15.1.2)
- Throwing before a referee color signal (15.5.1)
- Ball stops in ramp after release. (15.5.2)
- Ramp Operator stops ball in ramp. (15.5.3)
- BC3 athlete did not release the ball having direct physical contact at release. (15.5.4)
- RO touches athlete during throwing or pushing/pulling the wheelchair as ball is thrown. (15.5.5)
- If RO and athlete simultaneous release. (15.5.6)
- Throwing color instead of jack. (15.5.7)
- If side has not released the ball when time runs out.
- If 1st colored ball is not thrown by the one who threw Jack. (15.5.8)
- BC3 athlete does NOT make the two-way swing (20cm = 8 inches) after Jack has been presented and before propelling the Jack, or before playing a penalty ball or before the first play of that Athlete in a tie-break. (15.5.9) or after returning from being in the playing area (5.5)
- If a BC3 Pair does not reorient the ramp by making the two-way simultaneous swing when they or their teammate returns from the playing area, prior to propelling their ball (15.5.10).
- In the case of a tie-break, prior to their release of the first coloured ball, each BC3 Pair must do a two-way simultaneous swing. (5.5/13.5)
- If any side throws more than one ball at the same time (15.5.11), retract balls thrown.

1 ball penalty 15.6

- Leaves the playing box when not their turn (15.6.1)
- Looking onto court by the BC3 Ramp Operator during play area to view play during an End before all balls from both sides have been played (15.6.2)
- Inappropriate Communication (athletes, RO or Coaches), this includes communicating through technology (15.6.3)
- If an Athlete and/or RO prepares the next shot, orienting the wheelchair and/or the ramp or rolling the ball in the opposing Sides' time (15.6.4)
- Ramp Operator moves chair, ramp or pointer or passes ball without being asked (unless routine) (15.6.5)

1 ball penalty + retraction 15.7

- Touching the line on throw (athlete, SA, RO, equipment, clothing, etc.). For BC3 Athletes and their RO's, this includes while the ball is still in the ramp. (15.7.1)
- Ramp Overhanging the throwing line upon release of ball (15.7.2)
- At least one buttock in touch with chair (or abdomen if classified as such) (15.7.3)
- Ball released while ball is touching out of box (15.7.4)
- BC3 RO Looking into court during prep/release (15.7.5)

- BC1, 2, 4, Throwing while seat height is higher than 66 cm (no seat height restriction for BC3) (15.7.6)
- In Team/Pair throwing a ball while a teammate is out of his box while returning from court, one wheel must be touching inside their own throwing box (15.7.7)
- Preparing a shot and then releasing the ball on the opponents' time (15.7.8)

Rules that apply to BC4 also apply for BC5 and Open divisions

1 penalty ball and warning **yellow card** 15.8

- Deliberate interference or distraction that affects their opponent's concentration or throwing (15.8.1)
- Causing disrupted end *that needs to be restarted* (15.8.2)

Warning **yellow card** 15.9

- Bringing more than allowed personnel to warm up area or call room (15.9.1)
- Bringing more balls than allowed to call room. *The Athlete who brings the extra balls may indicate which balls are to be confiscated.* (15.9.2)
- Ball fails in random check. (15.9.3)
- Unreasonably delaying a match – example *Not getting back during 1 minute between ends or Athlete not giving "Out of the Way" free access to the FOP.* The referee's decision is final in such matters. (15.9.4)
- Not accepting a ref's decision or acting detrimental to opponent. (15.9.5)
- Leaves court during w/out ref permission. That Athlete may not return. (15.9.6)
- Athlete, SA, RO or coach/asst. enters the playing area w/out ref permission. (15.9.7)
- Using equipment during the competition that does not meet the equipment criteria. (15.9.8)

Second **Yellow Card**/Barred 15.10

- Receiving a 2nd warning during the same competition (15.10.1)
- 2nd yellow card in call room/warm up area to athlete or SA/RO during same competition is barred from current match. By definition all individual matches are one competition. If coach, then forced to leave FOP. (15.10.2)
- A 2nd yellow card on court during a match will lead to being barred from the match and could result in a forfeit. If coach, the *match* may continue. (15.10.3)

Immediate DQ - **Red card** 15.11

Athlete/RO/SA, coach/asst.

- Unsportsmanlike conduct-like behavior to ref or opponent, on or off FOP (15.11.1)
- Violent conduct (15.11.2)
- Offensive insulting or abrasive language or gestures. (15.11.4)

