

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

TERMS OF REFERENCE



BRITISH
DODGEBALL

Technical Committee

British Dodgeball's technical committee consists of enthusiastic and forward-thinking individuals who have extensive knowledge of the rules and regulations of the sport at various levels. The committee considers a range of factors in order to give decisions regarding rules and regulations of the sport which promote British Dodgeball's values, supporting the growth of dodgeball in all formats for people of all backgrounds at their particular institution to align to British Dodgeball's core vision:

"To inspire generations and communities to experience the benefits of playing dodgeball"

STRUCTURE

The technical committee consists of between 5 and 9 individuals. This is a mixture of British Dodgeball management committee members and representatives who successfully apply to be on the committee and hold the position for up to 2 years at a time.

FUNCTIONS

1. RULES

Update and develop appropriate rulesets for all ages in line with British Dodgeball values. Revise rulesets if necessary throughout the season.

2. REGULATIONS

Update and develop appropriate regulations for all ages in line with British Dodgeball values. Revise regulations if necessary throughout the season.

3. INSIGHT

Engage with members & stakeholders using methods such as surveys to gain insight into understanding of rulesets & ease of implementation of rulesets to inform further development.

4. OFFICIATING CLARIFICATION

Work with the referee manager to provide clarity with regards to answering rules questions asked by referees, to improve officiating standardisation.

5. DISCIPLINARY ISSUES & COMPLAINTS

Disciplinary issues & complaints are managed by panels of three technical committee members, led by one management committee member. These are handled in line with the complaints and disciplinary policy.

6. TRANSFERS & SECONDARY CLUB REQUESTS

Transfer requests, within-club transfer requests & secondary club requests are managed by panels of three technical committee members who are also staff members to improve processing time. These are handled in line with the current regulations.

7. INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Contribute to development at international level by having an input on European-wide and worldwide inclusive rulesets. The technical committee should always try to retain one committee member within both the EDF and WDBF technical committees to fulfil this task.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Technical committee members must immediately declare if they have a conflict of interest relating to an issue upon which they are giving input. Where relevant (e.g. for panels of 3), they will be replaced by an alternative member with no conflict of interest. A conflict of interest may arise due to some of the following examples:

- The conflict of interest is due to an issue involving or reported by a clubmate or someone known to the technical committee member on a close personal level.
- The technical committee member, or their team, may be able to benefit directly if a certain course of action is taken with regards to a decision.

A failure to recognise a conflict of interest can give the impression that the individual, or the technical committee as a whole, is not acting in the best interests of the sport, and could potentially lead to a decision being subject to challenge, damage reputations or undermine confidence in the committee. As such, any technical committee member that fails to disclose a conflict of interest may be subject to removal from their role.