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Watch your *!#?* Language!

From time to time coaches and players will comment or ask the ref about players—and sometimes coaches—using “colorful” language on the field. There have been various attempts to curtail the use of bad language on the field and all have had problems. Here are some thoughts from the CDSRA executive on the matter to help you decide what you will permit and what you won't.

First, if the profanity is directed toward an official or an opponent you obviously have a case of foul and abusive language, a dismissal offence. As the referee you can deal with this in any way from pretending not to hear it to a word with the player to a red card, depending on game circumstances. We are not really talking about that situation here; rather, we are concerned with players or coaches using profanity as part of their normal game chatter. This is objectionable to some and you need to decide what your tolerance level is for profanity.

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Fact

93% of Canadians agree that sport is a way of building national and community spirit.

(Angus Reid, 2000)

Ask The Referee A Success

We Reached the 100 Question mark. See their answers in the "Ask the Referee" section:

We have answered the questions 89 - 100 in the Ask the Referee section. [Read More...](#) If you want previous questions please review the Ask the Referee Archives.

BBQ

The annual CDSRA BBQ will be held this year at the residence of Cam Eremko on Saturday July 23, 2005.

The home phone number for the Eremko's is 802-3117, if you are having difficulties finding the house.

Festivities shall begin after 4:30 and go until the last member of the party is standing...or sitting upright.

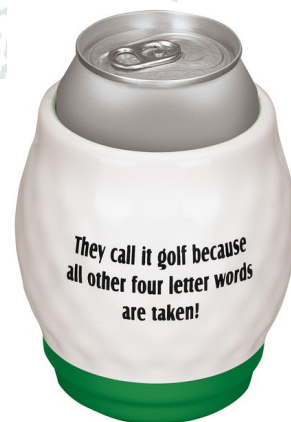
See you all at the BBQ.

The Executive

CDSRA Golf Tournament Last Chance

Entries must be in by July 31, 2005. For the entry form, click [here](#) or paste the following in your web browser :

http://cdsra.com/new/Assets/CDSRA_golf_entry_form.doc



Watch your *!#?* Language! (cont'd)

The second guideline is the age level of the players. In a minor league game with parents, grandparents and siblings watching from the sideline public profanity by players or team officials is much more serious than an over 45 game with no spectators. We suggest a number of measures: talk to the coaches and captains pre-game; warn a player very publicly in the first instance of profanity; caution if it continues. The key issue is "public." Was it loud enough to be heard from the sidelines?

The third guideline is the motivation for the profanity. It is not unusual for a player to utter an expletive on, say, a shot sent wide of the net on a goal scoring opportunity. Provided this is not overly public we suggest this is something the referee should ignore. On the other hand the use of profanity has become so much a part of some people's vocabulary they can scarcely utter a sentence without it. This becomes a problem in instances when they are loudly encouraging (or berating) a team-mate. Again, you must decide your tolerance level and then use all of the tools in your kit to deal with it.



We suggest that the number of times we have seen the issue of profanity raised indicates there is genuine concern about it from some players and coaches. As a group we are against any kind of legislated solution: a black and white instruction to referees just won't work in a game that has so many areas of grey, including the often unconscious use of profanity on the field. None the less, let's do our part to be aware of the problem and try to contain it.

Leo Donlevy on behalf of the Executive

All I Need is a Miracle

A woman was walking along the beach when she stumbled upon a genie's lamp. She picked it up and rubbed it. Lo-and-behold a genie appeared. The amazed woman asked if she got three wishes.

The Genie said, "Nope. Due to inflation, constant downsizing, low wages in third-world countries and fierce global competition, I can only grant you one wish. So, what'll it be?"

The woman didn't hesitate. She said, "I want peace in the Middle East. See this map? I want these countries to stop fighting with each other."

The Genie looked at the map and exclaimed, "Gadzooks, lady! These countries have been at war for thousands of years. I'm good, but not THAT good! I don't think it can be done. Make another wish."

The woman thought for a minute. She said, "Well, I've been trying to find the right husband. You know, one that's considerate and fun, likes to cook and helps with the housecleaning and laundry, has a great sense of humor and gets along with my family, doesn't watch sports all the time and is faithful, doesn't think a 6 pack of beer is a 6 course meal. That's what I wish for. A good mate."

The Genie let out a long sigh and said, "Let me see that map again."

About Sport

Sport offers pride in whom we are and what we collectively accomplish.

*(The Report of the
Minister's Task Force of
Federal Sport Policy, 1992*

Prime Minister Announces New Parliamentary Secretary

On May 13, 2005 Prime Minister Paul Martin today announced that the Honourable Paul De Villers, Member of Parliament for Simcoe North, has been appointed as Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister. "In addition to carrying out his parliamentary duties, I have asked Mr. De Villers to assist me with the advisability of co-ordinating the Governments activities related to healthier Canadians through recreation, physical activity and sport," said the Prime Minister. "

In particular, I have asked Mr. De Villers to work with Ministers Owen, Bennett, Frulla and Dosanjh to design what organizational structures might be adopted in order to encourage greater physical activity and healthier Canadians, and to build capacity in the Canadian sport system."

FACT

Children are more likely to participate in amateur sports if their parents do.

(Sport Facts, July 2000)



Provincials Held in Calgary This Year

U-18 Tier I Boys and Girls (leads to Nationals) Aug. 25-28 Calgary

U-16 Tier I Boys and Girls (leads to Nationals) Aug. 25-28 Calgary

U-14 Tier I Boys and Girls (leads to Nationals) Aug. 25-28 Calgary

Upcoming ART (Advanced Referee Training) Classes

Our ART classes are held at the Rose Kohn Arena, on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, starting time of 7:00 pm. Remember to mark these dates off on your availability.

July 26	Diagonal System of Control
Sept ember	Refresher
October	Free Kick Management
November	Body Language
December	No ART Class
Jan 2006	Watch an Indoor Game
Feb 2006	Being an AR
Mar 2006	Preventative Refereeing

Non-members of CDSRA are most welcome and encouraged to come to an ART class to check us out. Snacks and refreshments are provided, and parents of