

ISSUING CARDS

- Recognize the situation where a card is to be issued.
- Record the number of the player getting the card.
- Stop play. Stop clock and show the proper signal for stopping the clock.
- Deal with injuries first if you have to choose.
- Pull player out of pack.
 - Use judgment here, sometimes just showing the card does the trick.
 - If needed, talk to player on why they are getting the card. Keep it brief and to the point.
Don't lecture or show anger, just explain but be firm.
- Show the card.
 - Make sure your partner and bench can see.
 - Hold high over your head. No weak, bent arms. Make it a firm showing.
 - Escort the player to his bench.
- Record the number, time and reason and inform your partner.
- Inform both benches.
- Allow for substitutions. Check to see if there are any.
- Get back into position.
- Restart play and clock.

The other Ref:

- Move to a position to support your partner while keeping an eye on the field.
- Book as soon as you know the number and reason.
- Help with the restart, position of the ball, who has possession, etc.