2022 ICF CAP Rule clarification – deliberate fouls

Rule 10.35.2

A sanction card will be awarded to a player who commits a repeated deliberate OR dangerous foul.

Note: Fouls that are not deliberate must not receive a card, unless dangerous.

From the 2019 ICF Canoe Polo rules seminar the following rule came into being but with Covid19 the actual way referees could indicate **this first deliberate foul** to both the player, coaches and watching spectators has not been clarified.

At the World Games 2022 the invited referees and ICF Canoe Polo Chair talked through various ways of indicating the first deliberate foul. The following was used successfully throughout the World Games and now forms the official guidance to ICF referees.

 If a referee decides that a player has committed their first deliberate foul, they will raise their hand above their head and indicate with their fingers the player's number.





- The other referee should mirror this indication.
- If the other referee doesn't acknowledge the signal when eye contact is made they should both repeat the number signal.
- During half time the referees should confirm with one another the players who are on a first deliberate foul.
- The table should note the player's number to assist the referees if needed.
- If the foul is during an advantage, play will continue as normal with the advantage signal being given followed by the number indication.
- If there is no advantage the appropriate foul signal will be given followed by the number indication.

It is important to not slow the game down with this process. Play should continue as normal with this only being used as a visual guide to all involved and spectators.

