

Dear Coastal Zone Coaches and Administrators,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to address some significant disruptions that occurred on the pool decks during last weekend's JOQ HS Boys events. We observed instances of parents and fans being disrespectful to officials, as well as the presence of dogs on the deck.

We want to remind everyone that the only dogs allowed on the pool deck are trained service dogs wearing a vest. Emotional support dogs, even those with a valid certificate, are not permitted. This policy is in accordance with school district and health department regulations.

To ensure a smooth and respectful environment for all participants, USA Water Polo, Inc. has directed us to implement a strict protocol for any disruptions or rule violations this weekend:

1. If there is a disruption or a parent/fan not adhering to the rules, the site director will instruct the head official on deck to notify the head coach of the team associated with the issue.
2. The head coach will be given the opportunity to address and rectify the situation with the parent/fan in question.
3. If the issue is not resolved promptly, the officials have been instructed to declare the game a forfeit. In such cases, the team with the disruptive parent/fan will be declared the loser.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding in maintaining a respectful and orderly environment at our events. Please communicate these rules and protocols to your teams and parents to prevent any further incidents.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best regards,

Coastal California Zone Board