



## Official showdown referee terminology

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Situation	What to say (recommended for matches with audience)	Short Alternative (no or small audience)
<b>Before the Match</b>		
Greeting	Good morning/afternoon/evening. I'm the referee in this match. My name is NAME from NATION.	
Introduction of players	On my right side we have PLAYERNAME and to my left PLAYERNAME.	
Equipment check	PLAYERNAME let me check your equipment. (mask, bat, hand protection, attire).	
Starting warm-up	Players, you have one minute to warm up. You can start when you are ready (or whistle).	
Ending warm-up	(When warm-up time is over) Time! (or whistle).	
Coin toss	PLAYERNAME, for the service, do you choose heads or tails?	
Coin toss	PLAYERNAME will start serving.	
<b>Before the Set</b>		
Announcing the score	The score is SCORE IN SETS.	
<b>During the Match</b>		
Starting the match or re-starting after a long break or time	Players, are you ready? [PLAYERNAME 1 ready? PLAYERNAME 2 ready?]	

out		
Announcing the service	First / second service.	
Announcing a re-serve	First / second service - re-serve.	
Calling time out	Time out PLAYERNAME!	
15 seconds before time out ends	Fifteen seconds!	
Ending time out	Time!	
Player requests bathroom break	PLAYERNAME asks for a bathroom visit.	
Ending bathroom break	Time!	
Player returns late from bathroom break	PLAYERNAME loses the match because he/she failed to return to the table within 5 minutes.	
Calling medical time out	PLAYERNAME asks for a medical time-out.	
Ending medical time out	Time!	
Player returns late from medical time out	PLAYERNAME loses the match because he/she is injured and was not ready to play within 5 minutes.	
Calling a dead ball	Dead ball!	
After a set is finished	Final score NUMBEROFSET set SCORE.	
Change side during set (6 point)	Change sides!	
Ending set	Set won by PLAYERNAME for SCORE	

Ending game	Game [Match] won by PLAYERNAME for SET SCORE	
Mask touch during change side	PLAYERNAME touched his/her mask without the referee's permit. The next set will start with the score of 1:0 PLAYERNAME	
Mask touch during the set	PLAYERNAME touched his/her mask without the referee's permit, one point to PLAYERNAME	
Goal	Goal PLAYERNAME.	
Center board touch	Center board screen by PLAYERNAME, one point PLAYERNAME	Center board [by] PLAYERNAME.
Center board over screen	Ball over the center board screen by PLAYERNAME, one point PLAYERNAME	
Illegal touch	Illegal touch [by] PLAYERNAME, one point PLAYERNAME	Illegal touch [by] PLAYERNAME.
Ball out	Ball out, one point PLAYERNAME	Ball out [by] PLAYERNAME.
Ball trapped	Ball trapped for more than two seconds by PLAYERNAME, one point PLAYERNAME	
Serve delayed	Illegal serve, because it was delayed more than two seconds, one point PLAYERNAME	
Serve too early (before whistle)	Illegal serve, because the player hit the ball before the referee had whistled, one point PLAYERNAME	
Serve not on surface	Illegal serve, because the ball was not placed on the surface before serving, one point PLAYERNAME	
Serve not touched side wall (long service)	Illegal serve, because the ball has not touched the side wall, one point PLAYERNAME	Long service.
Serve touched twice (short service)	Illegal serve, because the ball touched the side twice in the same half, one point PLAYERNAME	Short service.
Serve slides along	Illegal serve, because the ball slid along one side and	

side	made multiple bounces, one point PLAYERNAME	
Contact board fingers line	PLAYERNAME put his/her fingers down under the line of the contact board, one point PLAYERNAME	
Contact board fingers grip	PLAYERNAME gripped the contact board with his/her fingers, one point PLAYERNAME	
Ball on top of contact board	Ball out [by] PLAYERNAME. Ball touched the top of the contact board, one point PLAYERNAME	
Bat two hands	PLAYERNAME held the bat with two hands, one point PLAYERNAME	
Bat lose	PLAYERNAME lost the bat, one point PLAYERNAME	
Non-batting hand in playing area	PLAYERNAME had the hand not holding the bat in the playing area, one point PLAYERNAME	
Top of the side board	Ball out [by] PLAYERNAME. Ball touched the top of the side wall, one point PLAYERNAME	
Illegal defense	Illegal defense, one point PLAYERNAME	Illegal defense [by] PLAYERNAME.
<b>Warning</b>		
Shaking table	Warning PLAYERNAME for shaking the table in a disturbing way.	
Scraping with bat	Warning PLAYERNAME for scraping the bat in a disturbing way.	
Speaking during play	Warning PLAYERNAME for speaking during play [or pause of the game].	
Coach cheering not in English	Warning for COACHNAME for cheering his player not in English.	
<b>Penalty</b>		
Shaking table	Penalty PLAYERNAME for shaking the table in a disturbing way, two points PLAYERNAME	

Scraping with bat	Penalty PLAYERNAME for scraping the bat in a disturbing way, two points PLAYERNAME	
Batting hand outside curve	Penalty PLAYERNAME for holding outside the curve of the table, two points PLAYERNAME	
Speaking during play	Penalty PLAYERNAME for speaking during play [or pause of the game], two points PLAYERNAME	
Coach cheering not in English	Penalty PLAYERNAME because his/her coach cheered not in English, two points PLAYERNAME	
Hooked ball fingers	Penalty PLAYERNAME for hooking the ball with the fingers, two points PLAYERNAME	
Hooked ball thumb	Penalty PLAYERNAME for hooking the ball with the thumb, two points PLAYERNAME	
Part of body in goal area	Penalty PLAYERNAME for pushing a body part into the the area of the goal (any part of the body, ex. arms, breast etc.etc.), two points PLAYERNAME	
Phone rings, player	Penalty PLAYERNAME because his/her phone (or any other device) rang during the game, two points PLAYERNAME	
Phone rings, coach	Penalty PLAYERNAME because COACHNAME's phone (or any other device) rang during the game, two points PLAYERNAME	
Very serious misconduct racket	PLAYERGAME loses the match by default because he/she threw the bat.	
Very serious misconduct ball	PLAYERGAME loses the match by default because he/she threw the ball.	