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  - **Only this coach may ask for the time out.**
  - **A time-out can only be called when a bocce ball has come to a complete stop and your team is in possession of the bocce.**
  - To call for a time out, please stand, and say "time-out, please" in a loud yet respectful voice so as not to disturb competition on other courts.
  - Once the official recognizes the time out – **the coaches from each team may go to their athletes. Athletes should not leave their seats.**
- The official will work with the scorekeeper/timekeeper to ensure an announcement is made when there are five (5) seconds left, so the coaches can return to their seats.
  - The game will restart on the official's command.
  - All discussions must then cease once the time out is over.
    - As always coaches may not provide instructions to their athletes during the game, or they will use the right to sit in the coaches' box. Praise or encouragement comments such as, "Nice Roll," "Well Done," and "Way to go" are appropriate.
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