Research on Referees of Indoor Sports Exposed to Mobbing Behaviors in Their Classes in Turkey

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ABSTRACT The aim of this study is to identify the level of mobbing behaviors that referees of indoor sports are exposed to in terms of some demographic variables in Turkey and raise awareness on this issue. The population of the present research consists of 907 referees of indoor sports from different classes, and the sample comprises of 248 referees, selected through a random selection method. The required data for the research is obtained through the “Mobbing Scale for Referees of Indoor Sports”. The results indicate that referees of indoor sports statistically perceive mobbing behaviors at a lower middle level, and A-class referees were exposed to mobbing behaviors more than international, B-class and C-class referees. It was also determined that there was no meaningful difference between mobbing behaviors and such variables as gender, marital status, education and classes.