

The rule should stand as is, removing the deliberate qualifier could have very serious consequences. Small stations, both TV and Radio could be seriously deterred from any live news coverage in public places. Small nature of the stations makes it difficult to run everything through a tape delay. A heckler shouting expletives during a live newscast would be a violation if the deliberate/willful phrasing were removed. Overly broad indecency rules presents too much potential for abuse. When any unintended/incidental expletive is aired, would all violators be pursued? would there be selective enforcement? Would selective enforcement favor those that played nice? In Short: Overly strict laws that are selectively enforced undermine the power of the law itself, and invites abuse of those people deciding when and where the law should be enforced.