

# SUSPENSION/PENALTY GUIDELINES

## Consumption of or in the Possession of Alcohol at Pluim Park

1. Any Player found consuming or in the possession of Alcohol at Pluim Park Will receive an automatic 5 (Five) Match Suspension from all CCF Competition Games for the first Offence and an automatic 12 (Twelve) Match Suspension for the second Offence.
2. Any Coach, Manager or Team Official consuming, or in the possession of, or allowing players in there control to consume or be in possession of alcohol at Pluim Park will receive an automatic 12 (twelve) Month Suspension from all CCF football activities.
3. Any spectator or other person consuming or in the possession of alcohol at Pluim Park will receive an automatic Ban From Pluim Park for 2 (Two) years
4. Any Club Official and or Executive consuming, in the possession of or allowing players in there control Alcohol at Pluim Park will receive an automatic Ban From Pluim Park for 2 (Two) years.
5. Any Person consuming, in the possession of Alcohol at Pluim Park will be removed from Pluim Park immediately
6. Pluim Park includes all playing fields and surrounding areas, change rooms, toilets and car park area.

## Consumption of or in the Possession of Alcohol at other CCF controlled games and or fields

It is a Central Coast Football Policy that no person shall consume alcohol at any CCF controlled games or fields that junior players are participating in. (Junior players are grade 18 and below). Any person contravening this policy will be banned from all CCF controlled matches for a period of not less than 12 months. The maximum period will be determined case by case by the CCF Executive.

## Offences by Players against other Players or any other Person

Code	Offence	Minimum	Automatic	Maximum
R01A	Striking Head Butting	2 Matches	3 Matches	12 Matches
R01B	Striking Punching/Fighting	2 Matches	3 Matches	8 Matches
R02	Kicking	2 Matches	3 Matches	12 Matches
R03A	Elbowing to the Head	4 Matches	6 Matches	12 Matches
R03B	Elbowing to the Body	2 Matches	3 Matches	8 Matches
R04	Spitting	8 Matches	12 Matches	1 Year
R05	Sabotaging an obvious Goal Scoring Opportunity	Tripping	1 Match	
R06	Sabotaging an obvious Goal Scoring Opportunity	Holding	1 Match	
R07	Sabotaging an obvious Goal Scoring Opportunity	Impeding	1 Match	
R08	Sabotaging an obvious Goal Scoring Opportunity	Handball	1 Match	
R09	Violent Tackle from Behind	2 Matches	3 Matches	8 Matches
R10A	Serious Foul Play "Over the Ball" Tackle	3 Matches	4 Matches	12 Matches
R10B	Serious Foul Play Reckless Tackle	2 Matches	3 Matches	8 Matches
R10C	Serious Foul Play Violent Charging	2 Matches	3 Matches	8 Matches
R10D	Serious Foul Play Rugby Tackle	2 Matches	3 Matches	8 Matches
R10E	Serious Foul Play Misconduct	2 Matches	3 Matches	8 Matches
R10F	Serious Foul Play Grabbing by the Hair	4 Matches	4 Matches	12 Matches
R11	Making Offensive, Insulting, Abusive, Obscene Gestures or Indecent Actions	4 Matches	6 Matches	20 Matches
R12	Using Offensive, Insulting or Abusive Language	2 Matches	3 Matches	8 Matches
R13	Second Caution	1 Match		
R14	Send Off Offence Not Previously Specified	1 Match	4 Matches	1 Year

**Note: the Offences listed above also apply to players and/or any other person after having been sent from the field of play**

## Offences by Players and Team Officials against Match Officials

Code	Offence	Minimum	Automatic	Maximum
R20	Threatening or intimidating a referee or assistant referee by word or action	12 Matches	-	Life
R21	Tripping a referee or assistant referee	1 Year	-	Life
R22	Pushing with an open hand, shoulder or hip	1 Year	-	Life
R23	Striking with the ball or other object	1 Year	-	Life
R24	Striking, kicking or elbowing	Life	-	Life
R25	Spitting	10 Matches	-	Life
R26	Use of offensive, insulting or abusive language	2 Matches	-	12 Matches
R27	Making offensive, insulting or abusive gestures	4 Matches	-	20 Matches

**Note: Also applies for offences by players and team officials against a match official after having been sent from the field of play**

## Additional Offences

Code	Offence	Minimum	Automatic	Maximum
R30	Inciting the crowd	10 Matches	-	6 Years
R31	Attacking or fighting with spectators	1 Year	-	Life
R34	Spitting at or onto Spectators	10 Matches	-	2 Years
R33	Deliberately misleading the Judiciary Committee	10 Matches	-	2 Years
R32	Bringing the game into disrepute	8 Matches	-	Life

## Automatic 'Stand Down' Times

5 Yellow cards	2 Matches
Next 3 Yellow cards	4 Matches
Next 3 Yellow cards	6 Matches

1. a). A player sent from the field for charges R1 to R14 (excepting R13-Persistent Misconduct, R14- Send-Off Not Previously Specified) may elect to accept the listed suspension or have their case heard by the Judiciary Committee.
- b). A player sent from the field for R13 Second Caution will serve the automatic sentence, **i.e. they may not elect to appear before the Judiciary Committee**
2. The above listed automatic suspensions are to be served if a player is found guilty or accepts the mandatory Suspension. In any case, the player may be called to appear before the Judiciary Committee if the Chairperson, after reading the Referee's report feels that the automatic suspension is inappropriate.
3. If a player chooses to appear and is found guilty, the automatic + 1 week Minimum will apply
4. Unless exonerated, or by agreement with the CENTRAL COAST FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION (e.g. wrong identification, error in law), the player shall serve at least a 1 match suspension (i.e. there shall be no 'cautions'.)
5. Offences of abuse by senior persons etc. against junior referees (under 18) will incur double sentences.
6. **Club Secretaries must notify by email TO the Judiciary Chairperson by 7.00pm the Monday night after the send-off if the player wishes to have their case heard by the Judiciary.** Players appearing at the Judiciary without notice will be sent away to appear when the judiciary next meets.
7. Where reports are not available 24 hours before the Judiciary following the send-off, the Director of Judiciary shall notify the club and defer the case until when the judiciary next meets. If the report/s is still not forthcoming, then the charges against the player will/may be dismissed

8. A player sent from the field for the second time during the season **may** be required to appear before the Judiciary Committee. A second send-off **may** incur a double suspension (i.e. if the second send-off during the year was for an R1, the suspension might be double the automatic suspension for R1)
9. A suspended person will still have the right to appeal.
10. Coaches found guilty of dissent/abuse will be given longer sentences than players.
11. Coaches found guilty of abusing junior referees (under 18) will be suspended for substantial sentences (12 months +) and if the abuse was continuous, the matter will be reported to the Department of Youth & Children.
12. FIFA rule apply red card = 1 match mandatory stand down

### Particular Offences (Examples)

Offence	Minimum	Anticipated	Maximum
R01 / R02 – Punching / Fighting			
Threats towards others	2 Matches	4 Matches	12 Matches
Pushing	2 Matches	4 Matches	8 Matches
Throwing a punch at body of player during play	3 Matches	5 Matches	12 Matches
Punching head of player during play	4 Matches	6 Matches	1 Year
Punching from behind or multiple punches during play	6 Matches	12 Matches	2 Years
Running from benches/behind ropes to fight	1 Year	3 Years	10 Years
Punching during a fight	3 Matches	6 Matches	2 Years
Kicking player during fight	8 Matches	1 Year	10 Years
Kicking player on ground	12 Matches	5 Years	15 Years
Fighting with spectators	See R31	See R31	See R31
R20 – Threatening a Match Official by Word / Action			
Verbal threats to harm match official or relatives	12 Matches	1 Year	Life
Verbal threats to kill match official or relatives	1 Year	3 Years	Life
Running at a match official in an aggressive manner	1 Year	3 Years	Life
Physically threatening a match official (eg, fist)	1 Year	5 Years	Life
R22 – Pushing Match Official with an open hand/shoulder or hip			
Pushing a Match Official – one hand	1 Year	2 Years	Life
Pushing a Match Official – two hands	2 Years	5 Years	Life
Pushing a Match Official – shoulder or hip	1 Year	2 Years	Life