

## **PART 4: DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES**

#### 4.1 JUDICIARY PANEL

• All disciplinary measures in the 'Bosco Summer Soccer Competition' (Competition) shall be under the authority of the 'Bosco Summer Soccer Judiciary Panel' (JP).

#### 4.2 MEMBERS

- The JP shall consist of three members.
- Any persons (including Players, Team Contacts, parents, supporters, witnesses and Referee/s) directly
  involved with the match or matches being discussed in a JP meeting are ineligible to be part of the JP.

### 4.2.1 JP Chairperson

- The JP Chairperson shall be:
  - o Appointed by the 'Bosco Summer Soccer Committee' (Committee).
  - o A member of the 'Bosco Summer Soccer Executive Committee' (Executive Committee).
  - Replaced (as a member of the JP but not in the role of JP Chairperson) by another member of the Executive Committee if unavailable or ineligible to participate in a JP meeting; if this is not possible then replaced by an eligible member of the Committee.
- If all three appointed members of the JP are unavailable or ineligible to participate in a JP meeting, the replacement members shall elect one of the replacement members to act in the role JP Chairperson for the JP meeting.
- The JP Chairperson shall:
  - Record all Yellow card reports
  - Collate all reports for deliberation by the JP
  - Convene the JP for any offences which may be penalised with a suspension longer than one
     (1) week (as per tables in Sections 4.5.and 4.6)
  - Minute the JP meeting and table the minutes at the first next Committee meeting
  - o Organise the execution of any disciplinary measures imposed by the JP

#### 4.2.2 JP Vice-Chairperson

- The JP Vice-Chairperson shall be:
  - Appointed by the Committee.
  - o A member of the Committee.
  - Replaced (as a member of the JP but not in the role of JP Vice-Chairperson) by another member of the Committee if unavailable or ineligible to participate in a JP meeting.
- If all three appointed members of the JP are unavailable or ineligible to participate in a JP meeting, the replacement members shall elect one of the replacement members to act in the role JP Vice-Chairperson for the JP meeting.
- The JP Vice-Chairperson shall undertake the role of JP Chairperson when the appointed JP Chairperson is unavailable or ineligible for JP duty.

## 4.2.3 JP Referee Coordinator

- The JP Referee Coordinator shall be:
  - Appointed by the Committee.
  - o The Referee Coordinator on duty at the time of the incident being discussed by the JP.
  - Replaced by another eligible Referee Coordinator if unavailable or ineligible to participate in a JP meeting; if this is not possible then replaced by an eligible member of the Committee.
- The JP Referee Coordinator (or replacement) may never undertake the role of JP Chairperson or JP Vice-Chairperson.



#### 4.3 PROCEDURES

#### 4.3.1 Frequency of meeting

- A JP meeting to investigate an incident shall be convened within four (4) days of the incident.
- Later or further JP meeting/s to investigate an incident are at the discretion of the JP.

## 4.3.2 Reports for Discussion

- The JP shall be convened by the JP Chairperson to discuss all:
  - o Referees' Red Card Reports
  - o Incident Reports written by Referees, Referee Coordinators or members of the Committee. The JP may, in some cases, consider a Referee's Red Card Report to also include an Incident Report (e.g. player's aggressive behaviour after being shown a Red Card).
  - Written Reports of incidents that happened off the field of play and not under the control of a Match Referee.
- All reports for investigation must be received by the JP and/or Committee within two (2) days of the incident. The JP may, at its discretion, also:
  - o Accept Reports received more than two (2) days after the incident
  - o Request further information (verbal or written) as part of its investigation

#### 4.3.3 Attendance at JP Meeting

- All members of the JP (or their replacements as per 4.2 Members)
- JP Chairperson shall invite any player, Team Contact or other person directly involved or who might assist in the investigation of the incident
- JP shall invite the Relevant Age Group Coordinator

#### 4.4 POWERS

- Decisions of the JP are final.
- JP shall impose suspensions per offence in accordance with Rule 4.5 and Rule 4.6
- If more than one offence is committed, the penalties imposed shall not be served concurrently but consecutively. This also applies if a person is suspended for a part or a whole season.
- Penalties may apply to anyone (including persons other than the Players and Team Contacts) found guilty of an offence as well as the Team/s directly associated with the guilty person/s at the time of the incident.
- JP shall investigate Written Reports of offences not listed in Rule 4.5 and Rule 4.6. Any suspensions imposed shall be at the discretion of the JP.
- Any Team (including Players, Team Contact, parents and/or supporters) that breaches any disciplinary measures imposed by the JP shall:
  - o Forfeit all matches at which such breaches occurred
  - Not be allowed to play until the Player and/or Team Contact attends a hearing with the JP

#### 4.4.1 Abandoned Matches

- If a match is abandoned for disciplinary reasons, the JP shall:
  - o Determine the outcome of the match and/or
  - o Impose disciplinary measures if necessary.



### 4.4.2 Mistaken Identity

- A Team Contact may protest on behalf of a Team Member (Player, Team Contact, parent or supporter) against a disciplinary measure imposed by the JP only on the basis of Mistaken Identity.
- The protest must:
  - o be in writing
  - be received by the JP and/or Committee at least 48 hours before kick-off of the team's next match
  - identify the correct offending person
- If the protest is upheld by the JP, the correct offending person may then be disciplined instead of the originally identified person.

# 4.5 SUSPENSIONS: RED CARD OFFENCES BY PLAYERS AND/OR TEAM CONTACTS AGAINST PLAYERS AND OTHER PERSONS (EXCEPT REFEREES)

- For suspensions longer than one (1) round, the JP:
  - shall reduce the suspension by one (1) round if the Player/Team Contact does not appeal nor argue against neither the accusations nor the decision of the JP
  - o may reduce the suspension by more than one (1) round; however, Player/Team Contact must serve a minimum one (1) round suspension.
- A Player/Team Contact involved with more than one team (as a player and/or Team Contact) must serve suspensions with all the teams with which the Player/Team Contact is involved for the whole round/s of matches.
- Suspensions shall carry over to the following Competition season/s.



# **R1 – SECOND CAUTION DURING MATCH**

1 round suspension

R2 – SERIOUS FOUL PLAY					
CHALLENGING FOR THE BALL IN PLAY  Violent tackle that endangers the safety of an opponent.					
LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3			
1 - 2 round suspension	3 round suspension	≥ 4 round suspension			
Low impact	Moderate impact	Extreme force with high impact			

R3 – VIOLENT CONDUCT					
NOT CHALLENGING FOR THE BALL					
Off the ball tackle or incident involving striking or attempted striking.					
Involvement in a brawl of melee but not if attempting to prevent a fight or shield a player.					
LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3			
1 - 2 round suspension	3 round suspension	≥ 4 round suspension			
Low impact striking or pushing.	Moderate impact.	Strong impact.			
Minor part in brawl or melee	Running in to join brawl or melee	Aggressive part in brawl or melee			

R4 – SPITTING				
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Spitting at or onto another person				
LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2			
5 round suspension	≥ 5 round suspension			
Spit at another person	Spit onto another person			

R5 – OFFENSIVE CONDUCT				
USE OF OFFENSIVE OR INSULTING LANGUAGE OR GESTURES				
LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2			
1 - 2 round suspension	≥ 3 round suspension			
One or two mildly offensive remarks or gestures,	Strong offensive, insulting or abusive			
possibly in frustration or retaliation.	remarks or gestures,			
Minor act of spitting but not at another person.	including racist, religious, ethnic or sexist remarks			



### 4.6 SUSPENSIONS: OTHER OFFENCES BY PLAYERS AND/OR TEAM CONTACTS

- A Player/Team Contact involved with more than one team (as a player and/or Team Contact) must serve suspensions with all the teams with which the Player/Team Contact in involved.
- Suspensions shall carry over to the following Competition season/s except for Offence O1.

OFFENCE CODES	OFFENCE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
01	Accumulate three (3) Yellow Cards	1 round	1 round
O2	Bringing the game into disrepute	5 rounds	Life
О3	Offensive, insulting or abusive language or gestures towards the Referee, spectators or BSS officials	1 round	Rest of season and following season
04	Violent conduct against (including spitting at or onto) the Referee, BSS Official or spectators	Rest of season	Life
O5	Inciting the spectators	Rest of season	Rest of season and following season
О6	Intentionally breach or encouraging to breach BSS Competition rules	Rest of season	Rest of season and following season
07	Intentionally mislead the JP	Rest of season	Rest of season and following season
О8	Breach of a suspension by JP (additional to original suspension)	3 rounds	Rest of the season