



Laws of the Game

[Seniors Division]

Summer 2011



All games shall be played in accordance with FIFA's "*Laws of the Game*" in conjunction with OSA published Youth Soccer Rules, unless otherwise modified within these posted Newmarket Soccer Club (NSC) rules.

Situations not formally covered in these published rules will automatically defer to OSA/YRSA published rules in accordance with FIFA's "*Laws of the Game*."

Law 1.0 The Field of Play

- 1.1 The game shall be played on a field of play as approved and assigned by the NSC.
- 1.2 The Goal Areas and Penalty Area shall be defined on the field of play: A penalty mark shall be made at 12 yards (11 metres) from the midpoint between the goal post and equidistant from them.

Law 2.0 The Ball

- 2.1 The game ball shall be an approved size 5 ball.

Law 3.0 Number of Players

- 3.1 A team roster shall consist of not more than eighteen (18) players. Only registered NSC players may be added to a team's official roster.
 - 3.1.1 All Ontario Soccer Association policies regarding player registration shall apply.
 - 3.1.2 A team found guilty of using an ineligible player shall forfeit the game to their opponent, with a 1-0 score being recorded, and may be subject to further disciplinary action at the discretion of the NSC. A team found guilty of using an ineligible player will be subject to a fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and/or may be expelled from the league or club.
 - 3.1.3 The NSC registrar shall rule on all disputed with regards to player registration and the registrar's decision will be final.
 - 3.1.4 A player may only register with one team in a division.
- 3.2 All information on the game sheet must be printed legibly and must be complete. Any incomplete or illegible game sheet(s) will not be accepted by the referee and may result in game forfeiture. A complete game sheet will include date, location, division, team name, player names (first and last), team official names, etc.
- 3.3 Game sheets MUST be given to the referee prior to kick-off. No match shall be started without a game sheet.
- 3.4 The game shall be played by two teams, each consisting of not more than 11 players, one of whom must be designated as the goalkeeper.
- 3.5 Both teams must have at least 7 players to start the game.
- 3.6 The game cannot continue if a team has less than 7 players.
- 3.7 Games must start on time, or as soon as teams can field the minimum number of players.

- 3.8 Teams will be allowed a maximum 15 minute grace period to field the minimum number of players before forfeiting the game.
- 3.9 Teams unable to field the minimum number of players within fifteen (15) minutes of the scheduled start of play shall be declared in default and the game shall be abandoned at the discretion of the referee. (See 3.20 regarding Substitute Player Call-Up procedures).
- 3.10 Coaches or team officials shall not be permitted on the field of play unless invited by the referee.
- 3.11 No parent, spectator or coach may sit behind the goal lines.**
- 3.12 During game play, teams may only substitute players with the referee's consent, as follows:
- a) On a teams' own throw in. (Piggyback will be at the discretion of the referee.)
 - b) At restart after a goal has been scored.
 - c) At half time or the restart after the conclusion of a period of play (overtime).
 - d) On a goal kick.
 - e) To replace an injured player after play has been stopped by the referee.
 - f) Goalkeeper substitutions may only occur after the conclusion of a period of play, or in the event of an injury.
- 3.13 No substitution shall be allowed on corner kicks.
- 3.14 No substitution shall be allowed if, in the sole opinion of the referee, a team is attempting to waste time.

3.20 Substitute Player Call-Up

- 3.21 Teams may call up as many players as necessary, provided the players are registered with the NSC and are eligible to play in the division.
- 3.22 Players can be from any team in the same league or any lower ranked NSC adult house league.
- 3.23 Competitive (Rep) players may not be used as call-ups.
- 3.24 No call-ups may be used for playoff games.

3.30 Coaches and Technical Area

- 3.31 The technical area is defined as a designated seating area for coaching staff and substitutes.
- 3.32 The technical area extends 1 metre (yard) on either side of the designated seated area and extends forward up to a distance of 1 metre (yard) from the touch line.
- 3.33 The occupants of the technical area (ie: coaching staff) must be identified prior to kick-off and noted on the game sheet.
- 3.34 The coach and other officials must remain within its confines except in special circumstances, for example when given permission by the referee to enter the field of play to assess player injury.
- 3.35 The coach and other occupants of the technical area **must conduct themselves in a responsible manner**. Only the players and team officials entered on the game sheet are allowed on the team bench.
- 3.36 Coaching staff may be asked to leave the technical area if they are deemed by the referee to be acting in a manner that is disruptive or disrespectful to any participants. Any such misconduct will be subject to NSC discipline.
- 3.37 The team officials are responsible for all players on the team at all times.
- 3.38 In the event a game is abandoned, the NSC Senior Director shall decide the result of the game. The offending team shall be subject to any disciplinary sanction deemed appropriate by the NSC Discipline Committee in accordance with OSA Discipline Policy 9.0.
- 3.39 Any game abandoned by a game official will be dealt with by the Club Discipline Committee. A team found guilty of causing a game abandonment will forfeit the points and will be subject to a fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00). In the event both teams are found guilty, no points will be awarded and both teams will be subject to a fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00). A player or team official impeding, harassing or otherwise intimidating a game official, member of staff assigned to assist the game official, opposing team official or opposing player, will be

subject to severe disciplinary action, including a fine to the team of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

- 3.40 A team official, who for whatever reason during a game, withdraws his team from the game prior to the official ending the match, may be subjected to disciplinary action.

Law 4.0 Players' Equipment

- 4.1 A player must wear the proper uniform as provided by the N.S.C., including numbered team jersey, shorts, and matching stockings.
- 4.1.1 Jerseys must be tucked in.
- 4.1.2 Sleeves must remain down.
- 4.2 A player must wear shin guards that provide a reasonable degree of protection and that are fully covered by the stockings.
- 4.3 A player must wear footwear. Soccer shoes with rubber or plastic cleats are highly recommended.
- 4.4 A player must **not** use equipment or wear anything which endangers themselves or other players including (but not limited to):
- Splints or hard casts (constructed of plaster, fibreglass or metal) even if covered
 - Leg braces which contain exposed hard materials such as plastic, fibreglass or metal.
 - Metal cleats
 - **No jewellery of any kind.** This includes, but is not limited to, necklaces, rings, bracelets, earrings, leather or rubber bands or visible body piercings. **Exception: Medic Alert Bracelets are allowed but must be taped. The taping should be such that the description of the medical problem is clearly visible.**
 - Loose beaded hair is also not permitted unless tied back or covered by a net.
 - No bobby pins, metal or hard plastic hair clips
- 4.5 No bandanas, sweatbands or hats may be worn by players. (Exception: the goalkeeper may wear a hat provided it contains no metal or plastic parts and has a soft peak. The peak must face forwards. Baseball caps are not allowed.) Only head protectors permitted by FIFA are allowed.
- 4.6 Orthopaedic supports including knee braces and arm protectors made of soft, lightweight padded material are not considered dangerous. Any support must be safe for all players and adequately padded and covered by a thick neoprene sleeve. If the referee deems any support dangerous, it must not be worn.
- 4.7 **Religious head gear** : As per OSA directive (Law 4 Update – 2007), it is appropriate for players to wear items such as the hijab provided it does not pose a danger to the player or to other players.
- 4.8 **Eyeglasses**: If a player wears eyeglasses on the field, the glasses **MUST** be approved sport spectacles. No metal or glass allowed.
- 4.9 The goalkeeper must wear colours which distinguish him/her from all outfield players and from the referee.

Law 5.0 The Referee

- 5.1 The referee controls the match and has full authority to enforce the Laws of the Game.
- 5.2 The decisions of the referee regarding the facts of the game are deemed to be, "in the opinion of the referee" and as such, are final.
- 5.3 The referee must provide a written report, to the appropriate authority, regarding any misconduct by players, parents, coaches, spectators, or other persons which takes place on the field of play or its vicinity at any time during the game.

- 5.4 The referee ensures that the players' equipment meets the requirements of Law 4.
- 5.5 The referee can take disciplinary action against players guilty of cautionable and sending-off offences. (See 5.13.1 regarding club discipline, suspensions, etc.).
- 5.6 The referee can take action against team officials who fail to conduct themselves in a responsible manner and can, at his/her discretion, expel them from the field of play and its immediate surrounds. (See 5.13.1 regarding club discipline, suspensions, etc.).
- 5.7 The referee is the sole authority for abandoning games due to weather or any other cause. Should the Referee abandon a game for any cause an S.I.R. (Special Incident Report) must be submitted by the referee within 48 hours to the office, detailing the reasons for which the game has been abandoned.
- 5.8 Game Sheets: The referee shall submit the white and green copy of the completed game sheet to the office within 48 hours of the completion of the game. The referee shall submit the yellow copy of the completed game sheet to the home team and the pink copy to the away team at the completion of the game. The Orange copy shall be kept by the referee and submitted to the office for payment at least once per month.
- 5.9 Referees or their alternate must note on the game sheet the name of any team refusing to provide a suitable lines person.
- 5.10 It is the responsibility of the coaches to protect our referees from abuse, verbal or otherwise, regardless of the source, including parents and spectators.
- 5.11 Coaches, managers, and team officials shall not criticize or question game officials, at any time and shall encourage the same attitude amongst all players and supporters.
- 5.12 Coaches, managers and team officials shall not approach the referee in order to voice their opinions.
- 5.13 **Any verbal or physical abuse of a referee or assistant referee from a coach, parent or spectator WILL NOT BE TOLERATED and will result in automatic game/membership suspension pending the results of formal disciplinary review or subsequent hearings.***

5.13.1 *Refer to NSC discipline policy (www.newmarketsoccer.com/publications) for details regarding ejections, hearings and suspensions.

5.13.2 Complaints (or compliments) regarding referees must be submitted in writing to the Club Head Referee using the game evaluation form available on-line at <http://www.newmarketsoccer.com/pdfs/game-eval.pdf> or via e-mail to referees@newmarketsoccer.com

Law 6.0 The Assistant Referee

- 6.1 The Newmarket Soccer Club will provide Assistant Referees to all games where possible.
- 6.2 The Assistant Referee shall assist the referee as instructed in controlling the match.

Law 7.0 Duration of the Match

- 7.1 The match shall consist of two equal halves of 45 minutes.
- 7.2 All games shall have a half time interval, not to exceed 5 minutes.
- 7.3 A grace period of 15 minutes will be allowed in the event that a team has less than seven (7) players at the appointed time of kick-off. The defaulting team shall forfeit the game and the points will be awarded to the opposing team. The score shall be recorded as a 1-0 score in favour of the opposing team, In the event that both teams have less than the minimum required players, not points will be awarded.

Law 8.0 Start and Restart of Play

- 8.1 At the beginning of the game, choices of halves shall be decided by the toss of a coin.
- 8.2 The winner of the toss shall be given the choice of which goal to defend.
- 8.3 At the kick-off, all players shall be in their own half of the field, and not less than 9.5 metres from the ball.
- 8.4 The player taking the kick-off may not touch the ball a second time until it has been played, or touched, by another player.
- 8.5 A goal may be scored directly from a kick-off.

Law 9.0 Ball In and Out of Play

- 9.1 The ball is out of play when it has wholly crossed the goal line or the touch line whether on the ground or in the air, or when play has been stopped by the referee.

Law 10.0 Method of Scoring

- 10.1 A goal is scored when the whole of the ball passes over the goal line, between the goalposts and under the crossbar, provided that no infringement of the Laws of the Game has been committed previously by the team scoring the goal.
- 10.2 A goal may be scored directly from a kick-off.

Law 11.0 Offside

- 11.1 The offside rule will apply.
- 11.2 A player is in an offside position if he is nearer to his opponents' goal line than both the ball and the second last opponent.
- 11.3 It is not an offence in itself to be in an offside position.
- 11.4 A player in an offside position is only penalised, if at the moment the ball is touched or played forward by a teammate he becomes involved in active play by: interfering with an opponent, or gaining an advantage by being in that position.
- 11.5 A player cannot be offside in his own half of the field, or if he receives the ball directly from a corner kick, a goal kick or a throw in.

Law 12.0 Fouls and Misconducts*

- 12.1 A player, who intentionally commits any of the following offences, shall be penalized by the awarding of a free-kick to the opposing team:
 - Spits at an opponent, kicks or attempts to kick an opponent, trips or attempts to trip an opponent, jumps at an opponent, charges an opponent, strikes or attempts to strike an opponent, holds an opponent, pushes an opponent, handles the ball deliberately, (except a

goalkeeper from within his own penalty area,) or tackles an opponent to gain possession of the ball, making contact with the opponent before touching the ball.

- 12.2 Should a player commit one of the above offences within his own penalty-area, a penalty-kick shall be awarded. (See Law 14.0)
- 12.3 Only the goalkeeper may handle the ball within the penalty area.
- 12.4 The six second rule shall apply.
- 12.5 Slide-tackling an opponent is **NOT** permitted in the Senior Division and will result in an automatic caution (yellow card) and the awarding of an indirect free kick to the opposing team.

***Discipline resulting from the issuance of cautions (yellow cards) or ejections (red cards) shall be in accordance with NSC/OSA Discipline Policy and Procedures (OSA Policy 9.0) as published on the OSA and NSC websites.**

All ejections (red cards) will automatically result in a minimum one game suspension. Additional game(s) suspension will be determined by the NSC Discipline Committee in accordance with NSA Discipline Policies and Procedures. (See Appendix for details and standard suspension tables.)

Law 13.0 Free Kicks

- 13.1 direct or indirect free kicks, in the opinion of the referee, will be awarded for all fouls/infractions committed at the point of the occurrence.
- 13.2 All opposing players must remain 10 yards (9.15 metres) from the ball.

Law 14.0 Penalty Kick

- 14.1 The penalty kick shall be taken from the penalty mark, which is 11 metres from the goal line.
- 14.2 All opposing players must remain 9.15 metres from the ball.
- 14.3 All players must remain behind the penalty mark (ball) and outside the penalty area.
- 14.4 The goalkeeper shall remain on his own goal-line facing the kicker, and between the goal-posts, until the ball has been kicked. (Note: The goalkeeper may move from side to side; however he/she may not move forward off the goal line until the ball is kicked forward.)
- 14.5 The referee must signal (whistle) before play can begin.
- 14.6 The ball shall be in play when the ball is kicked and moves forward.
- 14.7 If the kicker touches the ball a second time before it has been played or touched by another player, a free kick shall be awarded to the defending team.
- 14.8 If necessary, the time of play shall be extended to allow a penalty-kick to be taken.
- 14.9 Infringements on the penalty kick procedure will be determined solely in the opinion of the referee and may result in the awarding of a: retake, goal, indirect free kick or other appropriate restart depending on the circumstances surrounding the infringement.

Law 15.0 Throw-In

- 15.1 When the whole of the ball crosses over the touch-line, either on the ground or in the air, the ball shall be thrown-in from the point where it left the field of play, by a member of the team opposing that of the player who last played or touched it.

- 15.2 The player taking the throw-in shall face the field of play and throw the ball from on or behind the touch line.
- 15.3 If the thrower touches the ball a second time before it has been played or touched by another player, a free kick shall be awarded to the opposing team.
- 15.4 The ball will be in play as soon as it enters the field.
- 15.5 At the taking of a throw-in, all opponents must be at least 2 yards from the ball. an opponent may not unfairly distract or impede the thrower.
- 15.6 A goal may not be scored directly from a throw-in.

Law 16.0 Goal Kick

- 16.1 When the whole of the ball passes over the goal-line, either on the ground or in the air, having last been played or touched by a member of the attacking team, a goal-kick shall be awarded to the defending team.
- 16.2 Goal kicks may be taken from any point within the goal area.
- 16.3 All opposing players must be outside the penalty area.
- 16.4 The ball must leave the penalty area before it is deemed "in play". Should an infraction occur, the goal kick shall be retaken.
- 16.5 If the kicker touches the ball a second time after it has left the penalty area and before it has been played or touched by another player, an indirect free kick shall be awarded to the opposing team.
- 16.6 A goal may be scored directly from a goal kick.

Law 17.0 Corner Kick

- 17.1 When the whole of the ball has crossed the goal-line, either on the ground or in the air, having last been played or touched by a member of the defending team, a corner-kick shall be awarded to the attacking team.
- 17.2 The corner-kick shall be taken from within the corner-arc nearest to where the ball crossed the goal-line.
- 17.3 All opponents shall be not less than 10 yards (9.15 metres) from the ball until it has been kicked.
- 17.4 The ball is in play when it is kicked and moves.
- 17.5 If the kicker touches the ball a second time before it has been played or touched by another player, an indirect free kick shall be awarded to the defending team.
- 17.6 A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick.

Appendix I

DISCIPLINE BY REVIEW (DBR) & DISCIPLINE BY HEARING (DBH)

****RECREATIONAL DIVISIONS****

Standard Discipline penalties for misconduct will be rendered from the OSA "Policy 9.0" Tables #5, #6 & #7. (See Appendix II) (These tables will be placed on the NSC web site and will also be posted in the office) The penalty range indicates the recommended minimum & maximum penalties for the offence. (Common sense & fairness will also be used in determining and administrating suspensions).

For Players

- DBR will be conducted by the Discipline Panel for any infraction or misconduct that has a three (3) game suspension or less.
- DBH will be conducted by the Discipline Chairman (DC) and at least 2 other persons for any infraction or misconduct that has a greater than three (3) game suspension.

For Coaches and Others

- DBR will be conducted by the Discipline Panel for any misconduct indicated in writing or by Special Incident Report (S.I.R.) that has a four (4) game suspension or less.
- DBH - Discipline by full Discipline Hearing Committee will be conducted for all other forms of misconduct.

The Discipline Committee will determine whether the incident is handled by the NSC or must be forwarded on to the District or O.S.A. for further action.

Game Official Assault – (whether by player, Coach or Other)

- Any person charged with Referee Assault will be immediately suspended from all soccer related activities and reported to the O.S.A.

Note

- Persons up for discipline will be contacted by the Discipline Chairman (D.C.) and will be notified of the process or procedure that will take place.
- The name of the suspended player(s) will be sent via e-mail to the Division Director, Head Referee and the NSC who will post the name(s) in the office and on our website.
- The name of suspended "Coaches & Others" will be sent via e-mail to the Division Director, Technical Director & Club President.

- Persons (registered as senior recreational players) who must attend or request to have DBH will be required to pay a \$25.00 non-refundable fee.

Appeals

- Persons wishing to appeal the decision of the Discipline Committee must do so in writing, to the NSC, within 14 days of the decision being handed down. A payment or fee of \$100.00 must accompany the appeal request. This fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld.
- Note: An appeal will only be considered if at least one of the following happens:
 - 1) New evidence not presented at the hearing comes to light
 - 2) A violation of the process occurs
 - 3) Excessive penalty or suspension handed down.

Remember: The Referee's decision is final and cannot be appealed

DATE FOR DBR & DBH

- Every Tuesday evening at 0700 pm will be set as the time and date for DBR & DBH. (Special circumstances may preclude and another date will have to be selected)
- Having these sessions every Tuesday will allow the NSC to address important issues of Misconduct, such as Violent Conduct, Verbal Abuse of the Referee & etc., very quickly.
- The Safety of all our members and the fairness of the process is paramount.

NOTE

- Any player or coach who is dismissed or ejected from a game will automatically be suspended from their next scheduled game. This will give the DC and the committee the time necessary to conduct "DBR" or "DBH". The person(s) affected will be contacted by the DC as to any further suspensions and or procedures.

NSC Discipline Chairman

Robert P. Marquis

Appendix II - OSA Policy 9.0 – Standard Penalties for Misconduct

Table 5: Standard Penalties for Misconduct by a Player

Type #	Description of Misconduct	First playing seasonal Offence	Second playing seasonal Offence	Third or More playing seasonal Offence
1.1	First Caution.	no action		
1.2	Second Caution	no action		
1.3	Third Caution.	1-game suspension		
1.4	Fourth Caution.	no action		
1.5	Fifth Caution.	2-game suspension		
1.6	Sixth Caution & any subsequent caution.	3 game suspension		
1.13	Dismissed for "Receiving a second caution in the same game" for which neither of the cautions was directed at the game official(s).	1 game suspension	3 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.14	Dismissed for "Receiving a second caution in the same game" for which at least one of the cautions was directed at the game official(s).	2 game suspension	4 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.15	Dismissed or reported by game official for "Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at anyone other than the game official(s). If racist or sexual comments - please see 1.73	1-game suspension	3-game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.16	Dismissed or reported by game official for "Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at the game official(s). If racist or sexual comments - please see 1.73	3 game suspension	8 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.16 A	Dismissed or reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at a game official(s) after having been previously dismissed or reported	6 to 8 games suspension	8-12 games suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.17	Dismissed for "Denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball".	1 game suspension	2 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.18	Dismissed for "Denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or penalty kick".	2 game suspension	4 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.19	Dismissed for "Serious Foul Play". (Must occur on the field of play, against an opponent when challenging for the ball, while the ball is in play). Otherwise see 1.21	2 game suspension	4 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.19A	Dismissed for "Serious Foul Play" where in the opinion of the Discipline Hearing Panel there was an obvious "attempt to injure" or "a complete disregard for the safety of an opponent" (Must occur on the field of play, against an opponent while the ball is in play) otherwise see 1.21A	4-8 game suspension	8-12 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22

1.20	Dismissed or reported for "Spitting at an opponent or any other person", other than a game official. NOTE: Spitting at a game official is Misconduct Type 1.52.	4 game suspension	8 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.21	Dismissed or reported for "Violent Conduct".	3 game suspension	6 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.21 A	Dismissed or reported for "Violent Conduct" where in the opinion of the Discipline Hearing Panel there was an obvious attempt to seriously injure a registrant or non-registrant.	6-10 game suspension	10-15 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22
1.22	Received and found guilty of a third dismissal in a playing season within that league or competition	1 - 11 month suspension		
1.23	Senior player played as an ineligible player.	2 game suspension	4 game suspension	8 game suspension
1.25	Re-enters the field of play or player bench area after having been dismissed from the game by the game official	2 game suspension	5 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22

Table 6: Standard Penalties for Misconduct by a Player

Type #	Description of Misconduct	First Lifetime Offence	Second Lifetime Offence	Third or More Lifetime Offence
1.51	Game Official Assault for "deliberate physical contact (ie., pushing, pulling, charging, etc.) or attempted physical contact or threatening".	6-12 month suspension + \$200.00 fine	1-3 year suspension + \$200.00 fine	Minimum 5 year suspension
1.52	Game Official Assault for "striking , spitting, kicking, or any form of violent conduct, or attempted violent conduct".	2-5 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	5-10 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	Minimum 10 year suspension
1.61	Failed to attend a discipline hearing at which he/she was accused of game official assault .	player is fined \$100.00 and remains suspended until he/she requests and attends a subsequent discipline hearing		
1.64	Participated in a soccer activity from which he/she was suspended	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
1.65	Instigated and/or participated in a brawl between two teams either before, during, or after a game.	1-3 month suspension	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension
1.66	Senior player acted in contravention of, or failed to act in accordance with, a "Published Rule". (see restrictions in policy 9.11)	1-3 month suspension	3-12 month suspension	7-12 month suspension
1.67	Acted in a manner deemed to be detrimental to the game. (see restrictions in policy 9.11)	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
1.68	a) Changed any information on a registration form without the consent of the person being registered on such form. b) Provided false or inaccurate information on a registration form. c) Provided an invalid photograph for registration purposes.	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
1.69	Provided false information or withheld information (including date of birth; Club,	3-6 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension

	country, and year last registered; etc.) on a player registration form.			
1.70	Provided a false address on the player registration form.	1-3 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension
1.71	Participated in any soccer related activity under a false name.	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
1.73	Dismissed or reported by a game official or other registrant for racist or sexist comments made during the game or in the vicinity of the playing field either during or after the game	1-3 month suspension	4-6 month suspension	7-12 month suspension
1.74	Reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at a discipline or appeal hearing panel member(s)	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
1.75	Directly or indirectly encouraged or assisted in the establishment or operation of a soccer organization or competition unless that soccer organization is an affiliated governing organization of The OSA or the Player is only acting as a player or team official	6-12 month suspension	18-24 month suspension	3-5 year suspension

Table 7: Standard Penalties for Misconduct by Team Officials

Type #	Description of Misconduct	First playing seasonal Offence	Second playing seasonal Offence	Third or More playing seasonal Offence
<i>Team Official</i>				
2.13	Dismissed or reported for persisting in misconduct "after receiving a warning 'for misconduct' from the game official" for which neither of the offences was directed at the game official(s)..	1 game suspension	3 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22
2.14	Dismissed or reported for persistent misconduct "after receiving a warning 'for misconduct' from the game official" for which at least one of the offences was directed at the game official(s)..	2 game suspension	5 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22
2.15	Dismissed or reported for using "Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at anyone other than the game official(s).	2 game suspension	5 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22
2.16	Dismissed or reported for using "Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at the game official(s).	4 game suspension	9 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22
2.16A	Dismissed or reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at a game official(s) after having been previously dismissed or reported	7 to 9 game suspension	3 to 6 months suspension	See misconduct 2.22
2.22	Received and found guilty of a third dismissal in a playing season within that league or competition	3 - 11 month suspension		
2.25	Re-enters the field of play or player's bench area after having been dismissed from the game by the game official	3 game suspension	6 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22

		First Lifetime Offense	Second Lifetime Offense	Third Lifetime Offense
2.41	Physical Assault or Attempted Physical Assault of a mini-soccer registered player or youth registered player.	3-12 month suspension +\$300.00 fine	1-3 year suspension +\$400.00 fine	Minimum 5 year suspension + \$500.00 fine
2.51	Game Official Assault for "deliberate physical contact (ie., pushing, pulling, charging, etc.) or attempted physical contact or threatening".	6-12 month suspension + \$300.00 fine	1-3 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	Minimum 5 year suspension + \$500.00 fine
2.52	Game Official Assault for "striking, spitting, kicking, or any form of violent conduct, or attempted violent conduct".	2-5 year suspension + \$300.00 fine	5-10 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	Minimum 10 year suspension \$500.00 fine
2.53	Made deliberate physical contact (ie., pushing, pulling, charging, etc.) or attempts physical contact with, or threatens, a registrant or non-registrant of the O.S.A. (excluding a Game Official, or a mini/youth registered player).	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	5 year suspension
2.54	Struck, spat on, kicked, or committed any form of violent conduct, or attempted violent conduct, against a registrant or non-registrant of the O.S.A. (excluding a Game Official, or a mini/youth registered player)	2-5 year suspension	5-10 year suspension	10 year suspension
2.58	When request by a player, refused to give the player his/her registration book within 5 days	\$100.00 fine	\$200.00 fine	\$400.00 fine
2.61	Failed to attend a discipline hearing at which he/she was accused of game official assault .	Accused is fined \$100.00 and remains suspended until he/she requests and attends a subsequent discipline hearing		
2.63	Played an ineligible or suspended player in a sanctioned game or permitted a suspended player who is suspended from all soccer related activity	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
2.64	Participated in a soccer activity from which he/she was suspended	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
2.65	Instigated and/or participated in a brawl between two teams either before, during, or after a game.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
2.66	Acted in contravention of, or failed to act in accordance with, a "Published Rule". (see restrictions in Policy 9.11)	1-6 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension
2.67	Acted in a manner deemed to be detrimental to the game. (see restrictions in Policy 9.11)	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
2.68	a) Changed any information on a registration form without the consent of the person being registered on such form. b) Provided false or inaccurate information on a registration form. c) Falsified a signature on a registration form. d) Knowingly provided an invalid photograph of a person for the purpose of registering that person.	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
2.70	Provided a false address on the player registration form.	1-3 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension
2.71	Participated in a soccer related activity under a false name	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension

2.72	Induced or attempted to induce a registered player to leave his/her team before the end of that team's current playing season.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
2.73	Dismissed or reported by a game official or other registrant for racist or sexist comments made during a game or in the vicinity of the playing field either during or after the game.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
2.74	Reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at a discipline or appeal hearing panel member(s)	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension
2.75	Directly or indirectly encouraged or assisted in the establishment or operation of a soccer organization or competition unless that soccer organization is an affiliated governing organization of The OSA or the Team Official is only acting as a player or team official	6-12 month suspension	18-24 month suspension	3-5 year suspension