

## APPENDIX 5 DISCIPLINE AND PROTEST GUIDELINES

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Offense / Infraction	Offender			Discipline: FIFA min & max	
	C	S	P		
Abuse to any participant	C	S	P	3 gms	1 yr.
Abuse to a Referee	C	S	P	3 gms	1 yr
Assault to any participant	C	S	P	1 yr	5 yrs
Assault on a Referee	C	S	P	1 yr	5 yrs
Entering field without permission		S		3 gms	**
Fighting: i.e. between players	C	S	P	3 gms	1 yr
Offensive, insulting or abusive language	C	S	P	1 gm	6 mos
Offensive,insulting or abusive language: after send off/dismissal (in addition to minimum of 1 game for the send off/dismissal)	C	S	P	1 gm	**
Playing an ineligible player	C			2 gms	**
Playing an ineligible player: fraudulent intent	C			1 yr	**
Playing when ineligible: (depending on player's age)			P	1 gm	**
Playing when ineligible: fraudulent intent			P	3 gms	1 yr
Playing a non-rostered/ non-registered player: intentionally (not a registrar error)	C			1 yr	
Playing when non-rostered/ non-registered: intentionally (not a registrar error)			P	3 gms	1 yr
Refusal to leave the field after send off/dismissal: (in addition to 1 game for the send off/dismissal)	C	S	P	1 gm	**
Removing team from field: (without referee consent)	C			3 gms	**
Receiving a second caution: (in the same game)			P	1 gm	
Serious Foul Play			P	1 gm	1 yr
Violent Conduct: (striking at or attempting to strike at etc.)			P	1 gm	1 yr
Violent Conduct: Spitting	C		P	1 gm	1 yr
Any general misconduct not specifically included above	C	S	P	1 gm	1 yr

\*\*Depending on the infraction and its severity, additional sanctions and/or probation may be mandated.

### **KEY:**

**P = Player**

**S = Spectator**

**C = Coach:** For disciplinary sanctions, a coach will be any active official of the team (coach, trainer, manager, etc.) Or any person who is officially representing the team by being in the immediate vicinity of the "players bench": excluding those games where players and spectators are on the same side of the field AND are not physically separated by a barrier (e.g. fence).

**NOTE #1:** Any coach or spectator who is dismissed during a match must, immediately and completely, remove themselves from sight and sound of the field of play. They are not permitted to return to the field after the game. Arrange to pick up children or equipment away from sight and sound of the field.

**NOTE #2:** A coach or spectator who has been dismissed from a match cannot attend or observe the next scheduled and played game: this includes pre and post game activities at the field or complex.

**NOTE #3:** Players who have been sent off during a match **MUST** serve their suspension sitting with their teammates and dressed in street clothes before they are eligible to play again.