

Amendment to Rule 15 Section C

“RULE 15 Disciplinary Rulings and Punishments:

C. Misconduct of Coaches or Team Officials

1. Any ejection
2. Abusive, derogatory or profane language, on or off the field of play, not directed at league or game officials or coaches but clearly audible
3. Intentional and/or repeated action either unsportsmanlike and/or creating uncalled for delays to the game

APPLICABLE SANCTION: Suspension for game in play plus two additional games

4. Any form of audible or visual dissent or profanity directed towards league or game officials or coaches, on or off the field, before, during or after the game
5. Verbal threatening or physical threatening gestures without body contact (excluding officials and coaches)

APPLICABLE SANCTION: Suspension for game in play plus four additional games

6. Verbal threatening or physical threatening gestures without body contact directed at league and game officials or coaches, on or off the field, before, during or after a game

APPLICABLE SANCTION: Suspension for 12 games but not less than 3 calendar months

7. Any violent gesture with body contact on or off the field, before, during or after the game

APPLICABLE SANCTION: Suspension for a minimum of one calendar year, unless serious injuries are inflicted, in which case the suspension shall be for a minimum of five calendar years

Accumulation of Cautions and Expulsions

1. After accumulating three (3) cautions (yellow cards) in a season, the coach, ADOC or DOC will be entitled to finish the game underway but will be automatically suspended from play for the following one game within the season or carry-over into the next season until the one game suspension is served. The one game suspension shall clear the record of the coach, ADOC or DOC. The coach, ADOC or DOC is to serve the suspension on the team with which the caution was received.

2. Any coach, ADOC or DOC that accumulates three (3) red cards in a seasonal year will be immediately suspended and required to appear before the Disciplinary Authority in a hearing. The Disciplinary Authority shall determine the conditions for reinstatement and/or probation, if any. Failure of the coach, ADOC or DOC to appear at the hearing will cause that coach, ADOC or DOC to be suspended for the remainder of the seasonal year.

3. The coach, ADOC or DOC of a team that has three (3) different players who received red cards during any season will be required to appear before the Disciplinary Authority in a hearing within ten calendar days from the receipt of written notice from the Authority. The Disciplinary Authority will then set the terms of probation, if any, for that coach, ADOC or DOC. Failure of the coach, ADOC or DOC to appear at the hearing will cause the coach, ADOC or DOC to be suspended and the coach, ADOC or DOC shall be required to petition for reinstatement of his/her eligibility to coach the team in question or any other team.

Note: repeat of any misconduct in Section C within a year from the termination of the sanction shall result in a review by the appropriate authority.