



Procedure 'Complaints against Players'

Appendix to Byelaw 7 (i.)

1. Should any team or player wish to complain about any aspect of the match, a complaints form must be completed and forwarded to the Chair Person and must be received within 7 days of the game. This is to be from either the team captain or club secretary and must contain specific details of the nature of the alleged incident, names of player(s) involved from both teams and the specific issue/complaint which the committee are being asked to investigate.
2. It is appreciated that letters detailing incidents will vary in nature but a three-tier system of sanctions will apply. In the first instance the committee will either take no further action and inform teams of this decision or issue an informal request that either team or named individual(s) play in a sporting manner throughout the game. A brief summary of the complaint will be sent to the team involved in the complaint.

Should a second complaint be upheld by the committee, then a formal written warning will be given to either the team or named individual(s).

In the unfortunate circumstance of a third complaint being upheld then the team or named individual(s) will receive an automatic 2 match ban (excluding byes and holidays).

The committee withhold the right to ban repeat offenders or offenders of severe repeated offences for variable amounts of time, in order to reflect the severity of the issues involved.

Any ban will run concurrently across seasons.

3. Both the League and Affiliations Secretaries will keep a record of the upheld complaints and any subsequent banned players. Any sanctions are valid in all the seasons in which the players participate.
4. Should a banned individual play then the fines system for non-affiliated players apply.
5. Should a team be banned then they will automatically forfeit the match and the full points awarded to their opponents.