

# **Continuing Misconduct Charges**

## What are they?

Clubs can be charged with misconduct for continuing poor behaviour by their teams and players throughout the season.

## Respect Sanctions - R06/R10/R15/R20

The accumulation of the following offences will lead to clubs being charged under the FA Respect Code:

#### Yellow cards for dissent ~ Red cards for abusive language ~ Any proven misconduct charge

Stage One	6 offences	Warned as to future conduct*	
Stage Two	10 offences	Step 5	£150 fine*
		Step 6 and 7	£75 fine*
		Outside NLS/Youth	£50 fine*
Stage Three	15 offences	Double stage two fine*	
Stage Four	20 offences	Misconduct charge under FA Rule E20*	

\* each stage also includes a £15 administration fee

# Multiplayer misconduct charges

Teams will incur an additional charge for having six or more players cautioned or sent off in one game:

	1 <sup>st</sup> instance	2 <sup>nd</sup> instance	3 <sup>rd</sup> instance	4 <sup>th</sup> instance
Steps 5 & 6	£150	£300	£450	£600
Step 7	£75	£150	£225	£300
Outside NLS	Warning	£25	£50	£75

# Automatic Charges under FA Rule E20

Clubs will be charged under FA Rule E20 for accumulation of the following charges:

- 1. Any *individual* team reaching 75 disciplinary points (see table on next page)
- 2. Four or more proven incidents of violent conduct across *all* teams within the club (Includes: Red cards or misconduct charges for violent conduct, misconduct charges for assault and misconduct charges for physical contact on a match official)
- 3. Proven misconduct charges across *all teams* relating to the abandonment of two games
- 4. Two or more charges against any *player* for aggravated breaches of FA regulations

Please note the same offence can count towards multiple E20 charges under these regulations!

#### Can I Appeal Against the Charges?

Clubs will be asked to respond to misconduct charges raised under FA Rule E20, and are entitled request a personal hearing should they wish to lodge a verbal plea for mitigation or deny the charge in person. All other cases will be dealt with by correspondence. The decision made by a disciplinary commission can be appealed under the usual FA Appeal Procedures.

# **Disciplinary Points**

Each caution, red card and misconduct charge carries disciplinary points as follows:

#### Cautions

٠	Dissent	2 points
•	All other cautions	1 point

#### Red Cards

•	S1 - Serious Foul Play	5 points
٠	S2 - Violent Conduct	6 points
٠	S3 - Spitting	7 points
٠	S4 - Denial of an Obvious Goal scoring Opportunity (Handball)	3 points
٠	S5 - Denial of an Obvious Goal scoring Opportunity(Foul Tackle)	3 points
•	S6 - Abusive, Insulting or Offensive Language/Behaviour	4 points
•	S7 - Second yellow card	3 points

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5 points • All proven cases

(Subject to any increase by the Discipline Commission)