

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* | |
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| 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 st instance | 2 nd instance | 3 rd instance | 4 th 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 |
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| • | All other cautions | 1 point |

Red Cards

| • | S1 - Serious Foul Play | 5 points |
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| 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)