



Referee Updates

At the recent Temporary Dismissals Seminars (Sin Bins) the below are clarifications regarding the below Laws amendments.

- Team with Six Player left
- Defensive Wall – Number of Attacking Players allowed in it.
- Laws of the Game App
- Disciplinary sanctions by Referees (Yellow/Red Cards)

Team with Six players left:

Following clarification from the IFAB (International Football Association Board) on the action to be taken when a team goes below 7 players when that player is sin-binned for dissent, in short, any team that goes below 7 players for whatever reason, will result in the match being abandoned.

Example: Team A has seven players v eleven (Team B) and receive a yellow card for Dissent therefore reducing Team A to six players. The match is abandoned.

Defensive Wall – Number of Attacking Players allowed in it

Where there is a wall of three or more defenders, attackers are not allowed within one metre. Where there is a wall of just two defenders then an attacking players is allowed.

Laws of the Game 2019/20 - App

You can download via Apple or Google the Laws of the Game 2019/20 App which is an excellent update on the laws plus the recent amendments which came into force on 1st June. [Download IFAB Laws of the Game.](#)

Yellow/Red Cards: Junior Football

Yellow and Red Cards will always be issued by Referees in their opinion for any offence where appropriate sanctions are required and therefore reinforcing the message that yellow and red cards are administered in all forms of Football irrespective of the age groups. This includes Junior Football.

For Mini Soccer Football u7-u10 age groups, the referee would be expected to manage where dissent is involved in liaison with the Coaches but can still impose the sanctions if necessary.