

Appendix 'D': Disciplinary Guidelines

The disciplinary penalties listed hereunder contain mandatory automatic, mandatory minimum and open penalties as dictated by The Ontario Soccer Association. There are certain circumstances wherein a penalty recommendation will be made to the Operating Committee who will convene a Special Discipline Meeting to review such case details. The Operating Committee, with approval from the Executive Committee, will determine the suspension for such situations.

The tables below represent offences incurred in a single season, except as noted.

BSL Members scheduled for a Discipline By Hearing (DBH) or Discipline By Review (DBR) and suspensions in effect are available on the BSL website at www.burlingtonsoccerleague.ca

Standard Penalties for Misconduct by a Player

Type #	Description of Misconduct	First playing seasonal Offence	Second playing seasonal Offence	Third or More playing seasonal Offence	Discipline Type
1.1	First Caution.	no action			
1.2	Second Caution	no action			
1.3	Third Caution.	1-game suspension			DBR
1.4	Fourth Caution.	no action			
1.5	Fifth Caution.	2-game suspension			DBR
1.6	Sixth Caution & any subsequent caution.	3 game suspension			DBR
1.13	Dismissed for "Receiving a second caution in the same game" for which neither of the cautions was directed at the game official(s).	1 game suspension	3 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
1.14	Dismissed for "Receiving a second caution in the same game" for which at least one of the cautions was directed at the game official(s).	2 game suspension	4 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
1.15	Dismissed or reported by game official for "Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at anyone other than the game official(s). If racist or sexual comments - please see 1.73	1-game suspension	3-game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
1.16	Dismissed or reported by game official for "Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at the game official(s). If racist or sexual comments - please see 1.73	3 game suspension	8 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
1.16 A	Dismissed or reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at a game official(s) after having been previously dismissed or reported	6 to 8 game suspension	8 to 12 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBH
1.17	Dismissed for "Denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball".	1 game suspension	2 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
		First playing	Second playing	Third or More	Discipline

		seasonal Offence	seasonal Offence	playing seasonal Offence	Type
1.18	Dismissed for "Denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or penalty kick".	2 game suspension	4 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
1.19	Dismissed for "Serious Foul Play". (Must occur on the field of play, against an opponent while the ball is in play) otherwise see 1.21	2 game suspension	4 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
1.19A	Dismissed for "Serious Foul Play" where in the opinion of the Discipline Hearing Panel there was an obvious "attempt to injure" or "a complete disregard for the safety of an opponent" (Must occur on the field of play, against an opponent while the ball is in play) otherwise see 1.21A	4-8 game suspension	8-12 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBH
1.20	Dismissed or reported for "Spitting at an opponent or any other person", other than a game official. NOTE: Spitting at a game official is Misconduct Type 1.52.	4 game suspension	8 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
1.21	Dismissed or reported for "Violent Conduct".	3 game suspension	6 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
1.21 A	Dismissed or reported for "Violent Conduct" where in the opinion of the Discipline Hearing Panel there was an obvious attempt to seriously injure a registrant or non-registrant.	6-10 game suspension	10-15 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBH
1.22	Received and found guilty of a third dismissal in a playing season within that league or competition	1 - 11 month suspension			DBH
1.23	Senior player played as an ineligible player.	2 game suspension	4 game suspension	8 game suspension	DBR
1.25	Re-enters the field of play or player bench area after having been dismissed from the game by the game official	2 game suspension	5 game suspension	See misconduct 1.22	DBR
		First Lifetime Offence	Second Lifetime Offence	Third or More Lifetime Offence	Discipline Type
1.51	Game Official Assault for "deliberate physical contact (ie. pushing, pulling, charging, etc.) or attempted physical contact or threatening". Suspension is Immediate.	6-12 month suspension + \$200.00 fine	1-3 year suspension + \$200.00 fine	Minimum 5 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
1.52	Game Official Assault for "striking , spitting, kicking, or any form of violent conduct, or attempted violent conduct". Suspension is Immediate.	2-5 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	5-10 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	Minimum 10 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
1.61	Failed to attend a discipline hearing at which he/she was accused of Game Official Assault .	Player is fined \$100.00 and remains suspended until he/she requests and attends a subsequent discipline hearing.			DBH PHSA/OSA
1.64	Participated in a soccer activity from which he/she was suspended	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
1.65	Instigated and/or participated in a brawl between two teams either before, during, or after a game.	1-3 month suspension	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	DBH
1.66	Senior player acted in contravention of, or failed to act in accordance with, a "Published Rule".	1-3 month suspension	3-12 month suspension	7-12 month suspension	DBH

	(See restrictions in policy 9.12)				
1.67	Acted in a manner deemed to be detrimental to the game. (See restrictions in policy 9.12)	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
1.68	a) Changed any information on a registration form without the consent of the person being registered on such form. b) Provided false or inaccurate information on a registration form. c) Provided an invalid photograph for registration purposes.	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
1.69	Provided false information or withheld information (including date of birth; Club, country, and year last registered; etc.) on a player registration form.	3-6 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
1.70	Provided a false address on the player registration form.	1-3 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
1.71	Participated in any soccer related activity under a false name.	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
1.73	Dismissed or reported by a game official or other registrant for racist or sexist comments made during the game or in the vicinity of the playing field either during or after the game	1-3 month suspension	4-6 month suspension	7-12 month suspension	DBH
1.74	Reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at a discipline or appeal hearing panel member(s)	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
1.75	Directly or indirectly encouraged or assisted in the establishment or operation of a soccer organization or competition <u>unless</u> that soccer organization is an affiliated organization of The OSA or the Player is only acting as a player or a team official.	6-12 month suspension	18-24 month suspension	4-5 year suspension	DBH

Standard Penalties for Misconduct by Team Official

Type #	Description of Misconduct	First playing seasonal Offence	Second playing seasonal Offence	Third or More playing seasonal Offence	Discipline Type
2.13	Dismissed or reported for persisting in misconduct "after receiving a warning 'for misconduct' from the game official" for which neither of the offences was directed at the game official(s)..	1 game suspension	3 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22	DBR
2.14	Dismissed or reported for persistent misconduct "after receiving a warning 'for misconduct' from the game official" for which at least one of the offences was directed at the game official(s)..	2 game suspension	5 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22	DBR
2.15	Dismissed or reported for using "Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at anyone other than the game official(s).	2 game suspension	5 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22	DBR
2.16	Dismissed or reported for using "Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at the game official(s).	4 game suspension	9 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22	DBR
2.16A	Dismissed or reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language	7 to 9 game suspension	3 to 6 month	See misconduct 2.22	DBH

	and/or gestures" directed at a game official(s) after having been previously dismissed or reported		suspension		
2.22	Received and found guilty of a third dismissal in a playing season within that league or competition	3 - 11 month suspension			DBH
2.25	Re-enters the field of play or player's bench area after having been dismissed from the game by the game official	3 game suspension	6 game suspension	See misconduct 2.22	DBR
		First Lifetime Offence	Second Lifetime Offence	Third Lifetime Offence	Discipline Type
2.41	Physical Assault or Attempted Physical Assault of a mini-soccer registered player or youth registered player.	3-12 month suspension +\$300.00 fine	1-3 year suspension +\$400.00 fine	Minimum 5 year suspension + \$500.00 fine	DBH
2.51	Game Official Assault for "deliberate physical contact (ie., pushing, pulling, charging, etc.) or attempted physical contact or threatening". Suspension is Immediate.	6-12 month suspension + \$300.00 fine	1-3 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	Minimum 5 year suspension + \$500.00 fine	DBH PHSA/OSA
2.52	Game Official Assault for "striking, spitting, kicking, or any form of violent conduct, or attempted violent conduct". Suspension is Immediate.	2-5 year suspension + \$300.00 fine	5-10 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	Minimum 10 year suspension \$500.00 fine	DBH PHSA/OSA
2.53	Made deliberate physical contact (ie., pushing, pulling, charging, etc.) or attempts physical contact with, or threatens, a registrant or non-registrant of the O.S.A. (excluding a Game Official, or a mini/youth registered player).	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	5 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
2.54	Struck, spat on, kicked, or committed any form of violent conduct, or attempted violent conduct, against a registrant or non-registrant of the O.S.A. (excluding a Game Official, or a mini/youth registered player)	2-5 year suspension	5-10 year suspension	10 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
2.58	When requested by a player, refused to give the player his/her registration book within 5 days	\$100.00 fine	\$200.00 fine	\$400.00 fine	DBH PHSA/OSA
2.61	Failed to attend a discipline hearing at which he/she was accused of Game Official Assault .	Accused is fined \$100.00 and remains suspended until he/she requests and attends a subsequent discipline hearing			DBH PHSA/OSA
2.63	Played an ineligible or suspended player in a sanctioned game or permitted a suspended player who is suspended from all soccer related activity	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
2.64	Participated in a soccer activity from which he/she was suspended	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
2.65	Instigated and/or participated in a brawl between two teams either before, during, or after a game.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
2.66	Acted in contravention of, or failed to act in accordance with, a "Published Rule". (See restrictions in Policy 9.12)	1-6 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	DBH

2.67	Acted in a manner deemed to be detrimental to the game. (See restrictions in Policy 9.12)	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
2.68	a) Changed any information on a registration form without the consent of the person being registered on such form. b) Provided false or inaccurate information on a registration form. c) Falsified a signature on a registration form. d) Knowingly provided an invalid photograph of a person for the purpose of registering that person.	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
2.70	Provided a false address on the player registration form.	1-3 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	DBH
2.71	Participated in a soccer related activity under a false name	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
2.72	Induced or attempted to induce a registered player to leave his/her team before the end of that team's current playing season.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
2.73	Dismissed or reported by a game official or other registrant for racist or sexist comments made during a game or in the vicinity of the playing field either during or after the game.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
2.74	Reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at a discipline or appeal hearing panel member(s).	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
2.75	Directly or indirectly encouraged or assisted in the establishment or operation of a soccer organization or competition <u>unless</u> that soccer organization is an affiliated organization of The OSA or the Player is only acting as a player or a team official.	6-12 month suspension	18-24 month suspension	4-5 year suspension	DBH

Standard Penalties for Misconduct by an Administrator

Type #	Description of Misconduct	First playing seasonal Offence	Second playing seasonal Offence	Third or More playing seasonal Offence	Discipline Type
3.13	Dismissed or reported for persisting in misconduct "after receiving a warning 'for misconduct' from the game official" for which neither of the offences was directed	1 week suspension	3 week suspension	See misconduct 3.22	DBR

	at the game official(s)..				
3.14	Dismissed or reported for persistent misconduct "after receiving a warning 'for misconduct' from the game official" for which at least one of the offences was directed at the game official(s)..	2 week suspension	5 week suspension	See misconduct 3.22	DBR
3.15	Dismissed or reported for using "Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at anyone other than the game official(s).	2 week suspension	5 week suspension	See misconduct 3.22	DBR
3.16	Dismissed or reported for using "Offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at the game official(s).	4 week suspension	9 week suspension	See misconduct 3.22	DBR
3.16A	Reported for persisting in "using offensive, insulting or abusive language an/or gestures" directed at a game official(s) after having been previously reported or dismissed	7 to 9 week suspension	3 to 6 month suspension	See misconduct 3.22	DBH
3.22	Received and found guilty of a third dismissal in a playing season within that league or competition	3 - 11 month suspension			DBH
		First Lifetime Offence	Second Lifetime Offence	Third Lifetime Offence	Discipline Type
3.41	Physical Assault or Attempted Physical Assault of a mini-soccer registered player or youth registered player.	3-12 month suspension +\$300.00 fine	1-3 year suspension +\$400.00 fine	Minimum 5 year suspension + \$500.00 fine	DBH
3.51	Game Official Assault for "deliberate physical contact (ie., pushing, pulling, charging, etc .) or attempted physical contact or threatening". Suspension is Immediate.	6-12 month suspension + \$300.00 fine	1-3 year suspension + \$400.00 fine	Minimum 5 year suspension + \$500.00 fine	DBH PHSA/OSA
3.52	Game Official Assault for "striking, spitting, kicking, or any form of violent conduct, or attempted violent conduct". Suspension is Immediate.	2-5 year suspension + \$300.00 fine	5-10 year suspension + 400.00 fine	Minimum 10 year suspension \$500.00 fine	DBH PHSA/OSA
3.53	Made deliberate physical contact (ie., pushing, pulling, charging, etc.) or attempts physical contact with, or threatens, a registrant or non-registrant of the O.S.A. (excluding a Game Official, or a mini/youth registered player).	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	5 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
3.54	Struck, spat on, kicked, or committed any form of violent conduct, or attempted violent conduct, against a registrant or non-registrant of the O.S.A. (excluding a Game Official, or a mini/youth registered player).	2-5 year suspension	5-10 year suspension	10 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
3.58	When requested by a player, refused to give the player his/her registration book within 5 days	\$100.00 fine	\$200.00 fine	\$400.00 fine	DBH PHSA/OSA
3.61	Failed to attend a discipline hearing at which he/she was accused of Game Official Assault .	Accused is fined \$100.00 and remains suspended until he/she requests and attends a subsequent discipline hearing.			DBH PHSA/OSA
3.63	Played an ineligible or suspended player	3-12 month	1-3 year	2-5 year	DBH

	in a sanctioned game or permitted a suspended player who is suspended from all soccer related activity	suspension	suspension	suspension	
3.64	Participated in a soccer activity from which he/she was suspended	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
3.65	Instigated and/or participated in a brawl between two teams either before, during, or after a game.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
3.66	Acted in contravention of, or failed to act in accordance with, a "Published Rule". (See restrictions in Policy 9.12)	1-6 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	DBH
3.67	Acted in a manner deemed to be detrimental to the game. (See restrictions in Policy 9.12)	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
3.68	a) Changed any information on a registration form without the consent of the person being registered on such form. b) Provided false or inaccurate information on a registration form. c) Falsified a signature on a registration form. d) Knowingly provided an invalid photograph of a person for the purpose of registering that person.	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH PHSA/OSA
3.70	Provided a false address on the player registration form.	1-3 month suspension	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	DBH
3.71	Participated in a soccer related activity under a false name	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
3.72	Induced or attempted to induce a registered player to leave his/her team before the end of that team's current playing season.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
3.73	Any team official or administrator dismissed or reported by a game official or other registrant for racist or sexist comments made during a game or in the vicinity of the playing field either during or after the game.	6-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
3.74	Reported for "using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures" directed at a panel member(s).	3-12 month suspension	1-3 year suspension	2-5 year suspension	DBH
3.75	Directly or indirectly encouraged or assisted in the establishment or operation of a soccer organization or competition <u>unless</u> that soccer organization is an affiliated organization of The OSA or the Player is only acting as a player or a team official.	6-12 month suspension	18-24 month suspension	4-5 year suspension	DBH
3.76	Participated in an organization's decision not to register some or all of its players and teams with The OSA. (Note: If an Administrator in a governance position is charged with Misconduct Type 3.76, the onus will be on each individual Director to prove that he/she did not support the Club's decision to not register	12 month suspension	24 month suspension	3-5 year suspension	DBH

	the teams and/or players).				
3.77	<p>Participated in an organization's decision not to register some or all of its Leagues, Divisions, coaches and administrators with The OSA.</p> <p>(Note: If an Administrator in a governance position is charged with Misconduct Type 3.77, the onus will be on each individual Director to prove that he/she did not support the Club's decision to not register the teams and/or players).</p>	12 month suspension	24 month suspension	3-5 year suspension	DBH