

Spring 2012 R&D Activity

Matters Decided by State Association Binding on NCSL

BAYS 19/2 – Player determined to have violated USSF 531-9 (referee assault and abuse) by spitting at referee and threatening him upon receiving red card suspended from all USSF activities for 14 months.

Matters Decided With Hearing

HERN/T AFC 19/1 – Game abandoned by referee after successive fights broke out. T AFC resolved the matter at the club level with R&D approval. HERN proceeded to a formal hearing. The players described as most aggressive by the referee were suspended for one game. T AFC agreed to a \$500 fine; HERN team fined \$750.

PWSI 13/3 – Ejected coach first refuses to leave and then remains near field until urged to leave. He was subject to R&D one game suspension last season for same conduct. Committee decided to suspend him for remainder of season (3 games) in addition to the first half of fall 2012 season from all NCSL coaching.

CALV U10 – Referee abandoned match when parents milled all around the field, the coach made no attempt to address it, and a parent proceeded to argue with the referee. Team placed on probation for the fall 2012 season.

HERN U9 – Game disrupted by storm not resumed at least in part on coach's assertion he was not available to wait and to see if storm passed. Although Committee was concerned with coach's failure to understand game can proceed without him, they found no Code of Conduct violation.

Matters Decided Without Hearings

Replay of Game Disrupted by Serious Injury

HERN/PWSI 13/3 – R&D decided game disrupted by serious injury where player had to be taken from field by paramedics directly to hospital, should be replayed in its entirety. PWSI appealed decision to NCSL President. Appeals Committee consisting of club representatives denied appeal and upheld R&D decision of replay.

Protests Denied

SYA 13/5 – Protest of game claiming referee issued 2 yellow cards to same opponent player, yet allowed him to remain in game. Referee, assistant referees and opponent disagree and advise there was only one yellow card awarded to player. Law 5 makes referee determination of facts final. Protest denied.

SYC 15/2 – Protest of game where assigned referee took ill and switched positions with assistant referee before game without assignor's knowledge. Team contended they had right to question assistant referee who took over for referee about his background and experience and could withhold consent to his officiating game. NCSL has no such rule. Protest denied.

Matters Decided by Clubs With R&D Approval

Coaches

Ejected Coaches Failure to Comply with Ejection Rule

REST 17/3 – Ejected coach first refused to leave and then remained within 100 yards of field to watch game suspended for one game in addition to the red card sit out.

REST 15/5 – Ejected coach returned to field after game to confront referee suspended for one game in addition to the red card sit out.

Failure to Have Team Take Field

BETH 17/1 – During first half various players were issued cards and team was losing. Coach pulled his team and did not have them take field for second half, suspended for one game.

Players

Violent Conduct

LOUD 17/1 – Player who kicked and punched opponent is suspended for one game in addition to red card sit out.

RUSH 15/2 – Player who punched opponent is suspended for one game in addition to red card sit out.

GRFL 15/5 – Player who kicks and swings at opponent is suspended for one game in addition to the red card sit out.

Misconduct After Ejection

SYA 17/4 – Player who uses profanity from bench after ejection is suspended for one game in addition to red card sit out.

CALV 16/1 – Player who uses foul and abusive language after ejection is suspended for one game in addition to the red card sit out.

FRED 16/2 – Player who uses foul and abusive language after ejection is suspended for one game in addition to the red card sit out.

Use of Profanity Towards Opponent's Affiliates

SYC 15/2 – Player who taunts opponent's affiliate after game with profanity is suspended for one game.

Use of Racial Slurs

CALV 14/3 – Player who uses racial slurs is suspended for one game.

Teams

Improper Use of Club Pass

GRFL 15/5 – Game forfeited for using ineligible guest players on club passes which NCSL limits to U9 & 10.

SAC 11/1 – Game forfeited for using ineligible guest players on club passes which NCSL limits to U9 & 10.

Failure to Comply with Accumulated Points Sit Out

MCLN 15/1 – Despite reaching accumulated points threshold, player plays in next game. Both player and coach receive one game suspension in addition to accumulated points sit out. Game declared a forfeit. Team appealed R&D decision of forfeit to NCSL President. Appeals Committee consisting of club representatives denied appeal and upheld R&D decision of forfeit.

Affiliates

Confrontation with Referee

CALV 14/3 – Parent who spit at referee and assistant referee is banned for the remainder of the season (5 games).

LAUR 12/4 – Parent who confronted referee at end of game is banned for one game.

LAUR U10 – Parent of ejected player who confronted referee at end of game is banned for remainder of season (2 games).

Matters Decided By Assignor With R&D Approval

Referees

Use of Foul Language

17/3 – Referee who used foul language towards player was removed from officiating games for one week.