



## SCC Code of Conduct

Offences are categorized as Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 follows:

### Level 1

- Abuse of equipment, clothing, or any part of the ground.
- Showing dissent at an umpire's decision by word or by action.
- Excessive appealing, or aggressively charging towards an umpire while appealing.
- Aggressive words or actions from a member of the fielding side upon the dismissal of a batsman.
- Inappropriate and deliberate physical contact between players during play.
- Deliberate distraction or obstruction on the field.
- Throwing the cricket ball or other equipment at a player, umpire or official in a dangerous manner.
- Using language or a gesture that is obscene, offensive or of a seriously insulting nature to another player, umpire, team official or spectator.
- Changing the condition of the ball in breach of law 42.3.
- Where the facts of the alleged incident are not adequately or clearly covered by any of the above offences, conduct that either: (a) is contrary to the spirit of the game; or (b) brings the game into disrepute.

### Level 2

- Repeat of any level 1 offence within the current or previous season.
- Intimidation of an umpire. [Dissent = words/actions disputing a decision already made. Intimidation = words/actions aimed to influence future decisions].
- Threat of assault on a player, team official, or spectator.
- Using language or gestures that offends race, religion, gender, sexuality, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin.
- Any attempt to manipulate a match (in a negative way) in regard to the result, net run rate, bonus points or otherwise
- Where the facts of the alleged incident are not adequately or clearly covered by any of the above offences, conduct that either: (a) is contrary to the spirit of the game; or (b) brings the game into disrepute.

### Level 3

- Repeat of any level 2 offence within the current or previous season.
- Threat of assault on an umpire
- Physical assault of another player, umpire, official or spectator.



- Any act of violence during play.
- Throwing the cricket ball or other equipment at a player, umpire or official in a deliberate manner.
- Where the facts of the alleged incident are not adequately or clearly covered by any of the above offences, conduct that either: (a) is contrary to the spirit of the game; or (b) brings the game into disrepute.

## SCC Code of Conduct Penalties

Level 1: An *Official Warning Letter* sent to the offending player or team, AND/OR a ban of no more than one competition game, AND/OR a fine for the club of the offending player or team of not more than 500RMB;

Level 2: A ban of up to five games, AND/OR a fine for the club of the offending player or team of between 500RMB and 2000RMB, AND/OR loss of competition points for the team of the offending player or players up to the value of one game's points and bonus points;

Level 3: A ban of any length, AND/OR a fine of between 500RMB and 5000RMB for the club of the offending player or team, AND/OR loss of competition points for the team of the offending player or players up to or beyond those earned in the game.

## SCC and Venue Rules and Penalties

In addition to the Code of Conduct, teams and clubs may commit offences in the following circumstances:

Venue Rules – the following are prohibited:

- At Dulwich College: smoking, drinking alcohol, bringing pets, abusing staff, urinating outdoors, leaving the venue in an unfit state (rubbish left behind, or damage to facilities).
- At SRFC (including car park): consuming food or drink not purchased at the SRFC; damage to facilities

Penalties for breaches of venue rules are loss of competition points up to or beyond those earned in the game, AND/OR a fine of up to 5000RMB for the club involved.

SCC Rules:

- Inadequate scoring or late submission of scoresheets.
- Fielding ineligible players

Penalties are loss of league points up to the value of those earned in the game AND/OR default of the game. Repeated infractions may lead to Code of Conduct breaches.



## Disciplinary Procedures

### Making a Complaint:

- Complaints under the SCC Code of Conduct can be made by an official umpire standing in the match, or by the playing captain of either side.
- On the day of the match: an umpire who wishes to make a complaint must inform the captain of the offending player or players; a captain who wishes to make a complaint must inform the captain of the opposing team and the official umpire (if there is one).
- All complaints must be submitted using the *Complaint Form* by the end of the Monday following the incident.
- Complaints of breaches of SCC and Venue Rules can be made by umpires, captains, venue managers, SCC Committee members, or any other interested party. Members of the SCC should report any breach they witness or are informed of within 48 hours of the incident. Venues and interested parties should report breaches within a timely manner.

### For Level 1 offences:

- The match committee representative of the club of the accused player will investigate the incident or incidents, and make a recommendation to the match committee by email by the end of Wednesday following the incident.
- If no members of the match committee object by the end of Thursday following the incident, the recommendation will stand and be communicated to the player(s) or club(s) involved.
- If there are any objections then a Disciplinary Committee will convene on the Thursday or Friday following the incident, at a time and place chosen by the Committee.
- The decision reached will be communicated to the players and clubs involved by the end of Friday.

### For Level 2 or Level 3 offences:

- A Disciplinary Committee will convene on the Wednesday or Thursday following the incident, at a time and place chosen by the Committee.
- The decision reached will be communicated to the players and clubs involved by the end of the following day.

### SCC and Venue rules:

- SCC Rule breaches dealt with as for Level 1 or Level 2 offences.
- Venue Rule breaches will be dealt with depending on their seriousness, with guidance from SCC Excom as to whether a Disciplinary Committee needs to be convened.

### Disciplinary Committee:

- Consists of three members drawn from the SCC Match Committee (or SCC Excom if Match Committee members are unavailable).
- Must contain at least one neutral member (i.e. not from the same club as the accused or accuser).
- May be attended by umpires, players and captains involved, who may give their version of events when asked.
- Will make decisions by majority decision if no consensus can be reached.