



U N D E R S T A N D I N G T H E

REPORTABLE OFFENCES PROCESS

STEP 1 UMPIRE ISSUES "NOTICE OF REPORT" CARD

An umpire will acknowledge a reportable offence by issuing a Notice of Report. This notice requires an umpire to grade an incident using the classification table and three provisions: **Conduct, Impact & Contact**. This grading informs the MRO of how the Umpire interpreted the offence. A photo of the Notice of Report will be taken and forwarded to the Umpire Manager. The Club of the reported player will receive a card with relevant information.

STEP 2 MRO REVIEW REPORT

At 10am on the first business day after each round, the Match Review Officers review the report and consider the grading. Further investigation can be undertaken at this stage. Alternatively, the MRO can refer direct to the Tribunal.

STEP 3 MRO ISSUE "NOTICE OF CHARGE"

After reviewing and by 5pm the first business day after the match, the MRO will issue a Notice of Charge. This notice will be sent to the Charged player's Club via email and it will outline the specifics of the charge including the classification.

STEP 4 EARLY PLEA IS ACCEPTED OR BASE SANCTION IS CHALLENGED

After receiving the notice of charge by 5pm on the first business day after the match, the charged player's Club has until 9am on the second business day after the match to accept the early plea is eligible or challenge the charge via the Tribunal and risk receiving a minimum of the base sanction as per the classification table. If a response is not received prior to 9am, then the charged player will receive the appropriate base sanction. In a normal situation, the Tribunal hearing will occur on Wednesday evenings as per previous seasons.

Table 2 – Classification Table

Conduct	Impact	Contact	Base Sanction	Early Guilty Plea
Intentional	Severe	High/Groin/Chest	5+ Matches (Tribunal)	N/A
		Body	4+ Matches (Tribunal)	N/A
	High	High/Groin/Chest	4 Matches	3 Matches
		Body	3 Matches	2 Matches
	Medium	High/Groin/Chest	3 Matches	2 Matches
		Body	2 Matches	1 Match
	Low	High/Groin/Chest	2 Matches	1 Match
		Body	1 Match	Fine and/or Reprimand
Careless	Severe	High/Groin/Chest	4+ Matches (Tribunal)	N/A
		Body	3+ Matches (Tribunal)	N/A
	High	High/Groin/Chest	3 Matches	2 Matches
		Body	2 Matches	1 Match
	Medium	High/Groin/Chest	2 Matches	1 Match
		Body	1 Match	Fine and/or Reprimand
	Low	High/Groin/Chest	1 Match	Fine and/or Reprimand
		Body	1 Match	Fine and/or Reprimand