



Disciplinary & Disputes Regulations 2022



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SECTION 1: DISCIPLINARY REGULATIONS

1. OBJECTIVES AND APPLICATION OF REGULATIONS

- a. Capital Football (CF) has established the McDonald's Kanga Cup Organising Committee (KCOC) to deliver the McDonald's Kanga Cup.
- b. These Disputes and Disciplinary Regulations are supplementary to the Football Australia (FA) National Disciplinary Regulations.
- c. Where these Regulations are silent on any particular aspect, then all teams, affiliated bodies and organisations shall first have regard to the KCCR, CF regulations, FA regulations and, where applicable, the regulations of the Asian Football Confederation and FIFA.
- d. The KCOC will interpret and apply all articles of these Regulations and any such interpretation or application will be final and binding on all parties.
- e. Unless stated otherwise, within these Regulations:

1.1 Authority and Jurisdiction

- f. For the purposes of these regulations 'Football' refers to all forms of outdoor football
- g. The Australian Member of FIFA is Football Australia (FA)
- h. These Regulations will apply to facilitate the expeditious and fair resolution of incidents, disciplinary, dispute and conduct matters relating to the Tournament.
- i. Each Participant shall submit exclusively to the jurisdiction of these Regulations and agrees that unless it has exhausted the procedures set out in these Regulations, the CF regulations and NDRs, it will not attempt to resolve any incident, disciplinary, dispute, conduct or grievance matters by recourse to a court of law.

1.2 Possible Disciplinary Sanctions

- a. Possible Disciplinary Sanctions are as outlined in the 2021 Capital Football Disputes and Disciplinary Regulations and Section 5 of the NDRs.
- b. A table of offences are set out in Annexure 1 to these Regulations (Table of Offences).

SECTION 2: SANCTIONS FOR MATCH RELATED OFFENCES

Section 2 of the Kanga Cup Organising Committee's Disciplinary and Disputes Regulations deals with Sin Bins, Yellow Cards and Red Cards issued during a Match.

1 SIN BIN

- 1.1 A Player who commits an act that is deemed to be against the spirit of the Tournament, Tournament Code of Conduct, MiniRoos Rules and/or the IFAB Laws of the Game may be sanctioned by an immediate Sin Bin from participating in the next part of the Match.
- 1.2 A Player issued a Sin Bin must leave the Field of Play and serve the Sin Bin in the Technical Area occupied by the Player's team.
- 1.3 Sin Bins apply to all Players (including goalkeepers) on the Field of Play but not for offences committed by a substitute or substituted player.
- 1.4 The Sin Bin Period is five (5) minutes which begins when play restarts after the Player has left the Field of Play.
- 1.5 Sin Bins will be in effect in the following Competitions:

Age Grade	Division
U9	All Divisions
U10	All Divisions
U11	All Divisions

2 SIN BIN SUSPENSION

- 2.1 A Player who receives a second Sin Bin in the same Match will serve the Sin Bin in that Match and then take no further part in it. The Player will be deemed to have received a Sin Bin Suspension (**SBS**).
- 2.2 There is no appeal against a SBS by a Referee
- 2.3 A Player who is given a second Sin Bin will receive a mandatory one (1) Match suspension.
- 2.4 A player who receives a SBS is ineligible to play in any further Matches until such time as they have been issued a Notice of Suspension, participated in any disciplinary process where required and served their suspension in full.

3 PLAYER YELLOW CARD OFFENCES

- 3.1 A Player Yellow Card issued as a caution by a Referee for a cautionable Offence under Law 12 of the Laws will be issued under the following codes:

Code	Description
Y1	The player is guilty of unsporting behaviour
Y2	The player is guilty of dissent by word or action
Y3	The player is guilty of persistent offences
Y4	The player is guilty of delaying the restart of play
Y5	The player is guilty of failing to respect the required distance when play is restarted with a dropped ball, corner kick, free kick or throw-in
Y6	The player is guilty of entering, re-entering or deliberately leaving the Field of Play without the Referee's permission

3.2 There is no appeal against the issuing of a Yellow Card from a Referee except in the case of mistaken identity under Section 2 Article 7.

4 TEAM OFFICIAL YELLOW CARD OFFENCES

4.1 A Team Official Yellow Card issued by a Referee to a Team Official for a cautionable Offence will be issued under the following codes:

Code	Description
TO-Y1	The official is guilty of dissent by word or action, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Throwing/kicking drink bottles or other objects • Sarcastic clapping • Any other action showing disrespect to the Match Officials
TO-Y2	The official is guilty of acting in a provocative or inflammatory way
TO-Y3	The official is guilty of excessively/persistently gesturing for a red or yellow card
TO-Y4	The official is guilty of clearly/persistently not respecting the confines of their team's Technical Area
TO-Y5	The official is guilty of deliberately entering the Technical Area of the opposing team (non-confrontational)
TO-Y6	The official is guilty of delaying the restart of play by their own team
TO-Y7	The official is guilty of showing a lack of respect for the game
TO-Y8	The official is guilty of persistent unacceptable behaviour (including repeated warning offences)

4.2 There is no appeal against the issuing of a Yellow Card from a Referee except in the case of mistaken identity under Section 2 Article 7.

5 PLAYER RED CARD OFFENCES

5.1 A Player Red Card issued to a Player by a Referee under Law 12 of the Laws directing them to cease participation in a Match and to leave the Field of Play, will be given under the following codes:

Code	Description
R1	The player is guilty of serious foul play
R2	The player is guilty of violent conduct
R3	The player is guilty of biting or spitting at someone
R4	The player is guilty of denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity by a handball offence (except a goalkeeper within their penalty area)

R5	The player is guilty of denying a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity to an opponent whose overall movement is towards the offender's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or penalty kick
R6	The player is guilty of using offensive, insulting, or abusive language and/or action(s)
R7	The player is guilty of receiving a second Yellow Card in the same Match

- 5.2 There is no appeal against the receiving of a Player Red Card from the Referee except in the case of mistaken identity pursuant to Section 2 Article 7 or obvious error pursuant to Section 2 Article 8.
- 5.3 A Player who is given a Red Card:
- Must leave the vicinity of the Field of Play and the Technical Area during the remainder of the Match, and
 - Will receive from KCOC a MMS and the relevant Sanction for the Offence.
- 5.4 A Player who receives a Red Card is ineligible to play in any further Matches until such times as they have been issued a Notice of Suspension, participated in disciplinary Proceedings where required, and served their suspension in full.
- 5.5 A Player who receives a Red Card and plays in further Matches before the suspension process as outlined in Section 2 Article 5.3 is completed will receive an additional one (1) Match suspension.
- 5.6 A Player who receives a Red Card must serve an MMS of one (1) Match.
- 5.7 The MMS referenced in Section 2 Article 5.6 above, must be served in the age grade or Competition in which the accumulated Red Card is accrued.

6 TEAM OFFICIAL RED CARD OFFENCES

- 6.1 A Team Official Red Card is an order given by a Referee to a Team Official to leave the vicinity of the Field of Play and the Technical Area. This order can be given at any time that a Referee is on the Field from the time they conduct pre-Match inspections until they leave the Field.
- 6.2 A Red Card issued by a Referee to a Team Official under the Laws will be given under the following codes:

Code	Description
TO-R1	The official is guilty of violent conduct
TO-R2	The official is guilty of physical or aggressive behaviour towards an opposing Player, substitute, Team Official, Match Official, Spectator or any other person (e.g. ball boy/girl, security or Capital Football official)
TO-R3	The official is guilty of using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or action(s)
TO-R4	The official is guilty of biting and/or spitting at someone
TO-R5	The official is guilty of entering the Field of Play to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confront a Match Official (including at half time and full time)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interfere with play, an opposing Player or a Match Official
TO-R6	<p>The official is guilty of deliberately leaving the Technical Area to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Show dissent towards or remonstrate with a Match Official Act in a provocative or inflammatory manner Enter the opposing Technical Area in an aggressive or confrontational manner
TO-R7	The official is guilty of deliberately throwing/kicking an object onto the Field of Play
TO-R8	The official is guilty of delaying the restart of play by the opposing team e.g. holding onto the ball, kicking the ball away, obstructing the movement of a Player
TO-R9	The official is guilty of using unauthorised electronic or communication equipment and/or behaving in an inappropriate manner as a result of using electronic or communication equipment
TO-R10	The official is guilty of receiving a second Yellow Card in the same Match

6.3 A Team Official who receives a Red Card must serve an MMS of one (1) Match.

6.4 A medical Team Official (for example, a doctor or physiotherapist) who commits a send-off Offence may remain in the immediate surrounds of the Field of Play, including on the substitutes' bench, if the Team has no other medical person available, and may act if a Player needs medical attention.

6.5 The MMS referenced in Section 2 Article 6.3 above, must be served in the age grade or Competition in which the Red Card is accrued.

7 MISTAKEN IDENTITY

7.1 The KCOC has jurisdiction to adjudicate challenges to Sin Bins, Yellow or Red Cards on the basis of mistaken identity and delegates authority to do so to Management.

7.2 At the end of a Match, a Team Official for each Club must approve the team sheet on the online system confirming that all details on the team sheet, including the attribution of Temporary Dismissals, Temporary Dismissal Suspensions, Yellow Cards, and Red Cards are correct, in accordance with the Tournament Competition Regulations.

7.3 If a Team Official believes that a Player or Team Official has been mistakenly identified on the Score Card by a Match Official as having received a Sin Bin, Sin Bin Suspension, Yellow Card or Red Card, the Team Official must select the 'dispute' option in the relevant section of the team sheet on the online system.

7.4 Unless there are exceptional circumstances, to be determined by Management in its sole and absolute discretion, if a Team Official has failed to comply with the requirements set out in Section 2 Article 7.3 above and the Competition Regulations, a Club cannot challenge the attribution of a Temporary Dismissal, Temporary Dismissal Suspension, Yellow Card, or Red Card on a team sheet, or a suspension resulting from a Match Official send-off report, on the basis of mistaken identity.

- 7.5 If a Player, Team Official, or their Club believe that they have been mistakenly identified on the team sheet by a Match Official, the Club must notify Management by submitting the [Challenging Referee Sanction form](#) before the close of business for the next working day after the conclusion of the Match (e.g., where a Match has occurred on a weekend, the form must be sent by 5.00pm on the Monday directly following that same weekend).
- 7.6 When submitting the form, the Club must advise which Player or Team Official should have been issued with the Sanction and attach a letter from that person confirming they in fact received or should have received the Sanction.
- 7.7 Failure to comply with Section 2 Articles 7.5 and 7.6 above may result in Management's confirmation of the original identification in the team sheet or send-off report and the imposition of the suspension on the Player or Team Official identified in those documents.
- 7.8 Where there is sufficient evidence that leads Management to believe that an obvious error may have been made by a Match Official in a Match, including acknowledgement from the Match Official and confirmation by a Club of the relevant Participant for the Offence, then Management may expunge the record of the Participant mistakenly identified and apply the Card and suspension to the relevant Participant.
- a. The 1st Sanction (cautionable offence):
- i. The Referee has the authority to ask a Player to leave the Field of Play for a period of 5 minutes for any action that is deemed to be against the spirit of the McDonald's Kanga Cup, Tournament Code of Conduct and/or the IFAB Laws of the Game.
 - ii. The Player can be replaced.
 - iii. One hand held up indicates the cautionable offence.
- b. The 2nd Sanction (send-off offence):
- i. The Referee has the authority to ask a Player to leave the Field of Play for the rest of the Match, for:
 - A second action that is deemed to be against the spirit of the Kanga Cup, Code of Conduct and/or the IFAB Laws of the Game;
 - Violent Conduct; Insulting, Offensive and Abusive Language and or Gestures; Spitting or Biting; Serious Foul Play.
 - ii. The Player can be replaced.
 - iii. Two hands held up indicates the send-off offence.

1.3 Accumulation of Player and Team Official Yellow Cards

- a. Any Player or Team Official that accumulates 3 Yellow Cards in the Group Stage must serve a Minimum Mandatory Suspension of one (1) Match.
- b. Any Player or Team Official that accumulates 2 Yellow Cards in the Championship Stage must serve a Minimum Mandatory Suspension of one (1) Match.

- c. Yellow Cards earned in the Group Stage do not accumulate through to the Championship Stage.
- d. Yellow Cards that do not result in a Match Suspension do not carry over into any other competition.
- e. If a Player or Team Official receives 2 Yellow Cards during the same Match and therefore receives a Red Card, the two (2) Yellow Cards are expunged from their record and are not accumulated.
- f. If a Player or Team Official receives a Yellow Card and then a direct Red Card in the same Match, the Yellow Card will not be expunged and will be counted in the Player's accumulation of Yellow Cards.

1.4 Accumulation of Player and Team Official Red Cards

- a. A Player or Team Official that receives a Red Card must serve the Minimum Mandatory Suspension of one (1) Match plus any additional suspension as determined by the KCDC or, in the case of an appeal, the suspension imposed by the KCAC or the relevant judicial appeal body, as the case may be.
- b. A Player or Team Official that receives any subsequent Red Cards in the Competition will be required to serve the Minimum Mandatory Suspension of two (2) Matches plus any additional suspension as determined by the KCDC, or, in the case of an appeal, the KCAC or the relevant judicial body, as the case may be.

1.5 Eligibility and Ineligibility of Participants

- a. Eligible Participants:
 - a. An eligible Participant is one that meets all registration requirements within these Regulations and the KCCR and is not ineligible according to any article of these Regulations and the KCCR.
- b. Ineligible Participants include:
 - a. Participants not registered through DRIBL for the Competition;
 - b. Suspended Participants;
 - c. A Participant who is required to stand down for receiving a suspension as a result of caution accumulation;
 - d. A Participant that has been expelled from a Match or suspended as a result of caution accumulation prior to a Match but prior to receiving their notice of suspension;
 - e. A Player that is deemed ineligible due to any article of these Regulations.
- c. A Team will automatically lose a Match on forfeit if an ineligible Player participates in the Match.
- d. Additionally, the Team Official/s and/or Player/s may be further sanctioned in accordance with these Regulations.

- e. Any Player who knowingly plays as an ineligible Player may be suspended for up to four (4) Matches and further sanctions may be applicable under these Regulations.
- f. It is the Team's absolute responsibility to ensure that it fields eligible Players in any Match.
- g. Where a Team plays an ineligible Player:
 - a. Any participating Team can make a claim on Player ineligibility to CF. Any claims of ineligibility must be received within two (2) hours of the final whistle of the Match in question.
 - b. If the KCDC finds that a Team has played an ineligible Player outside of the timeline above, the Team and Player can still be sanctioned.
- h. Where a Team can prove to the satisfaction of the KCDC that an administrative error resulted in rendering a Player ineligible, the KCDC may deem the Player eligible.

1.6 Spectator and Supporter Behaviour

- a. A Spectator or Supporter present at a Match or otherwise involved in any activity staged during the McDonald's Kanga Cup must:
 - i. Respect the decisions of Match Officials and teach children to do the same;
 - ii. Never ridicule or unduly scold a child for making a mistake;
 - iii. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, race, colour, religion, language, politics, national or ethnic origin;
 - iv. Not use violence in any form, whether it is against other Spectators, Supporters, Team Officials (including coaches), Match Officials or Players;
 - v. Not engage in discrimination, harassment or abuse in any form, including the use of obscene or offensive language or gestures, the incitement of hatred or violence or partaking in indecent or racist chanting;
 - vi. Comply with any terms of entry of a venue, including bag inspections and restrictions on prohibited items such as flares, missiles, dangerous articles and items that have the potential to cause injury or public nuisance;
 - vii. Not, and must not attempt to, bring into a venue national or political flags or emblems (except for the recognised national flags of any of the competing Teams) or offensive or inappropriate banners, whether written in English or a foreign language;
 - viii. Not throw missiles (including on to the Field of Play or at other Spectators or Supporters) and must not enter the Field of Play or its surrounds without lawful authority;
 - ix. Conduct themselves in a manner that enhances, rather than injures, the reputation and goodwill of football generally.
- b. Any person who does not comply with the above Code of Behaviour or who otherwise causes a disturbance may be evicted from a venue and banned from attending future McDonald's Kanga Cup Matches.
- c. Any person who does not comply with the above Code of Behaviour may have Sanctions imposed on them by the KCDC.

- d. For further clarification please see the McDonald's Kanga Cup Code of Behaviour attached as Annexure 2.

1.7 Reports

- a. In order to ensure the efficient delivery of disciplinary and conduct matters, a Match Official must provide to the KCOC a Match Official Report immediately at the completion of a Match.
- b. Match Official Reports are to be provided for:
 - i. Any Red Card offences issued during the Match including the categorisation of the offence/s; and
 - ii. Any serious incidents which took place.

1.8 Judicial Bodies

- a. KCOC:
 - i. These Regulations delegate to the KCOC authority to:
 - i. Administer the Regulations.
 - ii. Convene the KCDC to determine suspensions and Sanctions, to determine charges relating to offences and misconduct, and to deal with disputes and complaints.
 - iii. Convene the KCAC to hear appeals against KCDC Determinations.
 - iv. Impose Sanctions determined by the KCDC or KCAC.
 - ii. The KCOC may, in its absolute discretion, stand down a Participant who is the subject of an Incident Report from participating in any Match of the Competition until the KCDC has been convened and a decision has been made.
- b. KCDC:
 - iii. These Regulations delegate to the KCDC authority to:
 - i. Impose suspensions specified in these Regulations.
 - ii. Require from the KCOC and Participants the production of any document, information or evidence in any form it deems necessary to make a Determination.
 - iii. Require attendance of the KCOC and Participants to give evidence at hearings.
 - iv. Inform itself on any matter or thing in order to properly carry out its functions in accordance with these Regulations.
 - v. Upon a Determination of a charge, impose Sanctions in accordance with these Regulations.
 - iv. The KCDC shall consist of a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 3 members in order to make valid decisions.
- c. KCAC:
 - i. These Regulations delegate to the KCAC authority to:
 - a. Hear appeals against Determinations made, suspensions imposed and/or Sanctions imposed by the KCDC.

- b. Require from the KCOC and Participants the production of any document, information or evidence in any form it deems necessary to make a Determination.
 - c. Require attendance of the KCOC and Participants to give evidence at hearings.
 - d. Inform itself on any matter or thing in order to properly carry out its functions in accordance with these Regulations.
 - e. Dismiss, allow in whole or in part an appeal, or vary by way of either increase or decrease a Sanction or penalty Determination by the KCDC.
 - f. Remit a matter to the KCDC that dealt with the matter in the first instance for re-hearing and issue any directions or orders in relation to the re-hearing.
 - g. Upon a Determination of a matter, impose any Sanctions in accordance with these Regulations.
- ii. The KCAC shall consist of a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 3 members. Given the nature of the Tournament, the KCAC will comprise a minimum of 2 members in order to make valid decisions.
 - iii. Any appeal against a decision of the KCAC can only be made to the relevant judicial body as detailed in the CF Disputes and Disciplinary Regulations, NDRs and FA Judicial Bodies By-Law.
- d. When determining any appropriate Sanction, the KCDC and KCAC may consider:
 - i. The nature and significance of the alleged offence or misconduct;
 - ii. The extent of the Participant's culpability for the offence, and any mitigating circumstances;
 - iii. A Participant's remorse for their conduct;
 - iv. The Participant's Disciplinary History;
 - v. The cooperation of a Participant in the proceedings;
 - vi. The diligence and speed with which the Participant acted to deal with the alleged misconduct;
 - vii. Whether the Participant took relevant action of its own to investigate and sanction the alleged misconduct;
 - viii. Any actions a Participant has taken to prevent the repetition of the alleged misconduct.
 - e. Suspensions imposed by the KCDC or KCAC must not be less than the minimum suspension applicable to the most serious offence for which a Participant has been found guilty.
 - f. In the case where a Participant has been found guilty of multiple offences, a Tribunal may impose entirely cumulative or partly or wholly concurrent suspensions.

- g. Where the KCDC or KCAC imposes a suspension, the Sanction must:
 - i. Impose a continuous suspension, and
 - ii. Not be structured in any way that allows the Participant to participate in a fragmented way by participating in certain Matches and then resuming the suspension.
- h. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Regulations, the KCOC may forward a Send-Off Report or Incident Report to CF for further investigation and determination. CF may determine, in its absolute discretion, how such matters are to be dealt with, including but not limited to, referring the matter to the CF KCDC.
- i. CF may, in its absolute discretion, stand down a Participant who is the subject of a Send-Off Report or Incident Report being investigated by CF from participating in any Match of the Competition until the matter has been finalised.

1.9 Score Disputes

- a. Incorrect results
 - i. Within two hours of the completion of each Match, a Team Official from each Team must confirm Match details.
 - ii. If a Team Official believes that the score recorded for the Match is incorrect, they must hit the dispute button on the online competition system.
 - iii. Once received, the KCOC will liaise with the Match Official to determine what score is on the Score Card.
 - iv. The score line that the Match Official states is to be correct will be the score that the KCOC will determine to be correct.
- b. The KCOC will not accept video footage in regards to altering a score.
- c. The KCOC will attempt where possible to ensure that the goal scorers are entered correctly.

1.10 Disciplinary Procedures

- a. Mistaken Identity
 - i. Within two hours of the completion of each Match, a Team Official from each Team must confirm Match details.
 - ii. The Team Official must ensure that any Yellow or Red Cards attributed to Players or Team Officials on their Team have been done so correctly.
 - iii. If a Team Official believes that a Player or Team Official has been mistakenly identified on the Score Card by a Match Official as having received a Yellow or Red card, the Team Official must advise, in person, the Venue Manager of the relevant venue prior to confirming Match details.
 - iv. When advising the Venue Manager, the Team Official must advise which Player or Team Official should have been issued with the Yellow or Red Card.

- v. The Venue Manager shall then liaise with the Team Official, the Match Officials, the relevant Participants and any other witnesses the Venue Manager deems relevant and determine against whom the Yellow or Red card should have been issued.
 - vi. The determination made by a Venue Manager is final and binding on all parties.
 - vii. For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Regulations, a Participant cannot appeal, on the basis of mistaken identity, a suspension resulting from a Match Official Send-Off Report.
 - viii. In the case of Incident Reports, prior to submitting an Incident Report, the author of the Incident Report must confirm the identity of the Participant with the Participant or with the Team Official of the Participant's Team.
- b. Obvious Error
- i. If a Team Official believes there has been an obvious error in a decision by a Match Official, they must notify the KCDC by submitting the [McDonald's Kanga Cup Appeals Form](#) within two (2) hours of the completion of the Match.
 - ii. Obvious error means a decision by the Match Official:
 - i. To issue a Red Card when no card was warranted, or
 - ii. To expel a Team Official when no expulsion was warranted

being a decision that no reasonable Match Official in possession of all the facts, including those available to the KCDC, could reasonably have made.
 - iii. Where there is sufficient evidence that leads the KCDC to believe that an obvious error may have been made by a Match Official in a Match, then the KCDC will refer the matter to the KCAC.
 - iv. If the KCAC determines that an obvious error has been made, the KCDC will expunge the Red Card from the Participant's Disciplinary History.
 - v. If the KCAC determines that no obvious error has been made, the Match Official's original decision will stand, and the KCDC will apply the relevant sections of the Regulations.
- c. Suspensions Resulting from Match Official Send-Off Reports
- i. The KCDC will issue suspensions solely based on the Match Official Send-Off Report received from the Match Officials and in accordance with the Table of Offences.
 - ii. The KCDC will set out any suspension in a Notice of Suspension which will be issued to the Participant's Team contact as soon as is practicable after completion of the Match.
- d. Suspensions Resulting from Match Official Incident Reports
- i. The KCDC will issue suspensions solely based on the Incident Report received from the Match Officials and in accordance with the Table of Offences.
 - ii. The KCDC will set out any suspension in a Notice of Suspension which will be issued to a Participant's Team contact as soon as is practicable after completion of the Match.

e. Suspensions Resulting from Other Incident Reports

- i. The KCDC may consider [Incident Reports](#) submitted by the nominated Team contact, members of the Venue Workforce and the KCOG Tournament Director or their appointee.
- ii. The KCDC may request additional information when considering such cases.
- iii. The KCDC will set out any suspension in a Notice of Suspension which will be issued to a Participant's nominated Team contact as soon as is practicable after completion of the Match or after requesting additional information.

f. Appealing a Notice of Suspension or Sanction

- iv. If a Participant wishes to appeal a suspension or Sanction, the Participant must submit the [McDonald's Kanga Cup Appeals Form](#) along with the following documentation within four (4) hours of the Team contact receiving notification of the Notice of Suspension or Determination:
 - a. A signed and dated written statement by the Participant setting out the grounds upon which they believe the suspension or Sanction should not be applied;
 - b. Pay the appeal fee of \$750 into the bank account of the KCOG (as nominated by the KCOG Tournament Director or their appointee);
 - c. A copy of the receipt confirming payment of the appeal fee;
 - d. Video or photo evidence and/or signed and dated written statements by other witnesses.
- v. A Participant is permitted to challenge a Notice of Suspension:
 - a. On the basis of the Offence Code applied by the KCDC.
 - b. Where the suspension issued is greater than the minimum Sanction for the Offence.
- vi. If the KCOG does not receive the documentation specified in Article 1.13(f)(iv), the Participant is deemed to have accepted the suspension or Determination and to have waived their right to appeal the suspension or Determination under the Regulations.
- vii. The KCAC may, in its absolute discretion, request additional information from the KCOG, from the Participant and/or from their Team contact prior to making a decision.
- viii. After considering the evidence, the KCAC will decide whether the appeal is to be rejected or upheld (in whole or in part).
- ix. If the KCAC rejects the appeal, the original decision set out in the Notice of Suspension or Determination applies.
- x. If the KCAC upholds the appeal (in whole or in part), it shall impose such suspension, if any, as it deems appropriate taking into consideration the circumstances of the

subject incident. A revised suspension shall not be subject to any further challenge or appeal under the Regulations.

1.11 Implementation of Disciplinary Sanctions

a. Match Suspensions

- i. Section 3 Article 14 of the 2022 Capital Football Disputes and Disciplinary Regulations applies to Match suspensions received during the McDonald's Kanga Cup.
- ii. Should a Participant receive a Match suspension under these Regulations, that Match suspension shall be served in the next consecutive Match/s which that Participant's Team plays in, until the Match suspension is served in full.
- iii. A Match suspension applies to a Participant in relation to all football activities (i.e. as a Player and as a Team Official).

b. Time Suspensions

- i. Section 3 Article 15 of the 2021 Capital Football Disputes and Disciplinary Regulations applies to time suspensions received during the McDonald's Kanga Cup.

c. Any suspension issued under these Regulations will apply in accordance with the Notice of Suspension.

d. Regardless of whether they receive a Notice of Suspension prior to their next Match, Players that receive a Red Card must serve the Minimum Mandatory Suspension at their next Match. Should a Player take the field in the Match following a Red Card, that Participant's Team will be deemed to have fielded an ineligible Player and will forfeit the Match.

e. Regardless of whether they receive a Notice of Suspension prior to their next Match, any Team Official expelled from the Technical Area must serve a Minimum Mandatory Suspension at their next Match.

f. Team Officials are responsible for ensuring a Participant correctly and fully serves any Suspension.

g. If a Participant in the Competition plays under the jurisdiction of another Member Federation, the KCOC reserves the right to notify that Member Federation of that Participant's remaining Suspension and the Member Federation may, in its absolute discretion, apply the Suspension to its competitions.

SECTION 3: SCHEDULE OF FEES

Matter	Fee
Tribunal Cost	\$325 will vary depending on the nature of the tribunal
Challenge Mistaken Identity or Obvious Error	Nil
Challenge a Suspension	\$750
Seek to have a matter arbitrated by a Special Tribunal	\$1000
Appeal a Sanction or suspension	\$750

SECTION 4: ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

Away Team means the Team listed second in the draw.

CF means Capital Football.

Championship Stage means the Matches played as part of the Finals series following the conclusion of the Group Stage.

Competition means all Matches that are played during the McDonald's Kanga Cup, encompassing the Group Stage, Championship Stage and Consolation Matches.

Consolation Matches means Matches which are played after the Group Stage for Teams who do not qualify for the Championship Stage.

Determination means the findings of the KCOC, KCDC and/or KCAC.

Detrimental means causing loss or injury and includes Derogatory statements or actions.

Derogatory means statements or actions which lessen the merit, reputation or social standing of a person or entity.

Disciplinary History means the disciplinary records held by Capital Football, FA or a Member Federation of FA.

Division means the playing level in which the Team is participating.

FA means Football Australia.

FFA Number means a Player's national registration number.

NDRs means FA National Disciplinary Regulations.

FIFA means Federation Internationale De Football Association.

Field of Play means the field of play and any perimeter area between the line markings of the field.

Group Stage means those Matches included in regular season played between Teams in the group, not including the Championship Stage or Consolation Matches.

Home Team means the Team listed first on the draw.

IFAB stands for International Football Association Board.

KC means McDonald's Kanga Cup.

KCAC means the McDonald's Kanga Cup Appeals Committee.

KCCR means the McDonald's Kanga Cup Competition Regulations.

KCOC means the McDonald's Kanga Cup Organising Committee.

KCDC means the McDonald's Kanga Cup Disciplinary Committee.

Laws of the Game means the official laws of the game of Football as promulgated by IFAB and FIFA.

Match means a game of Football.

Match Official means a referee, game leader, assistant referee, fourth official or referee coach.

Minimum Mandatory Suspension (MMS) means a suspension which cannot be reviewed or challenged (unless in cases of proven mistaken identity or obvious error).

Offence Code means the category and general description applied to the particular instance of misconduct, identified in Annexure 1.

Participant means one or more of the following, whether individually or collectively:

- a) Players;
- b) Spectators;
- c) Supporters;
- d) Team Officials;
- e) Teams.

Player means a person who is registered to play in a Team in the Tournament.

Pools means the arranging of Teams within a Division into smaller groups for Competition purposes.

Prohibited Items include, but are not limited to, flares, fireworks, explosives, smoke bombs, other flammable objects, loudhailers, weapons, illegal substances and instruments or anything that, in the opinion of the KCOC, adversely affects the image, reputation and goodwill of Capital Football or Football.

Public Statement includes written media releases, media interviews and quotes, media opinion pieces, social media postings, blogs, tweets, updates, likes and contributions to threads.

Regulations means the McDonald's Kanga Cup Disputes and Disciplinary Regulations.

Sanction means any and all of the penalties specified in the 2021 Capital Football Disputes and Disciplinary Regulations Section 6 Schedule 1.

Score Card means the card where scores are listed.

Spectator means a person in attendance at a stadium, venue, ground or centre during any KC Match sanctioned or administered by Capital Football.

Supporters are individuals or groups identified for their connection to a Team by one or more of the following:

- a) Vocalisation and/or behaviour in support of a Team,
- b) Vocalisation and/or behaviour protesting decisions not in favour of a Team,
- c) Wearing of Team merchandise or colours, or
- d) Location behind a Team bench or in designated Team supporter seating.

Team Official means any registered participant of the Team other than a Player.

Team means a group of Players fielded by a Club to participate in the McDonald's Kanga Cup.

Technical Area means any area marked and designated in accordance with the Laws of the Game within which the coach, the substitute Players and the Team Officials must remain during a Match.

Tournament means the entire McDonald's Kanga Cup, encompassing all Matches, events and ceremonies which may take place.

Venue Workforce means one or more of the following, whether individually or collectively:

- a) Venue Manager
- b) Venue Assistant
- c) Results Manager
- d) Referee Coordinator

ANNEXURE 1: TABLE OF OFFENCES

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Minimum Sanction including MMS	Maximum Sanction including MMS
	Serious Foul Play – R1			
R1-01	Serious foul play tackle or challenge	First	1 Match	24 months
		Second+	2 Matches	

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Minimum Sanction including MMS	Maximum Sanction including MMS
R1-02	Attempting to gain possession of the ball using excessive force	First	2 Matches	24 months
		Second+	3 Matches	
R1-03	Conduct that endangers the safety of an opponent in a contest for the ball or has the potential to cause injury	First	3 Matches	24 months
		Second+	4 Matches	
R1-04	Conduct causing minor injury	First	5 Matches	24 months
		Second+	6 Matches	
R1-05	Conduct causing serious injury	First	7 Matches	24 months
		Second+	11 Matches	
Violent Conduct – R2				
R2-01	Excessive force	First	1 Match	24 months
		Second+	2 Matches	
R2-02	Violent conduct	First	4 Matches	24 months
		Second+	6 Matches	
R2-03	Serious and/or premeditated violent conduct	First	7 Matches	24 months
		Second+	9 Matches	
R2-04	Serious violent conduct that has caused bodily harm or responsibility for a Melee	First	13 Matches	24 months
		Second+	21 Matches	
Biting or Spitting – R3				
R3-01	Spitting at or towards someone	First	5 Matches	24 months
		Second+	9 Matches	
R3-02	Biting or spitting on someone	First	9 Matches	24 months
		Second+	17 Matches	
Denying Goal Scoring Opportunity – R4				
R4-01	Denying opposition goal scoring opportunity by a handball offence	First	1 Match	1 Match
		Second+		

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Minimum Sanction including MMS	Maximum Sanction including MMS
Denying Goal Scoring Opportunity – R5				
R5-01	Denying goal scoring opportunity to opponent whose overall movement is towards the offender's goal by offence punishable by free or penalty kick	First	1 Match	1 Match
		Second+		
Offensive, Insulting or Abusive Language and/or Action(s) – R6				
R6-01	Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or action(s) in frustration	First	1 Match	24 months
		Second+	2 Matches	
R6-02	Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or action(s) directed at or towards another person	First	2 Matches	24 months
		Second+	4 Matches	
R6-03	Incitement to Violence, or repeated use of offensive language and/or action(s) directed at or towards another person	First	5 Matches	24 months
		Second+	9 Matches	
R6-04	Threatening or Intimidating language and/or action(s) directed at or towards another person	First	5 Matches	24 months
		Second+	9 Matches	
R6-05	Use of discriminatory language and/or action(s) on the basis of an Attribute	First	7 Matches	24 months
		Second+	15 Matches	
R6-06	Threat of physical Violence directed at or towards another person or their family or property	First	9 Matches	24 months
		Second+	17 Matches	
Second Yellow Card – R7				
R7-01	Second Yellow Card	First	1 Match	1 Match
		Second+		

TABLE OF OFFENCES AGAINST MATCH OFFICIALS

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Minimum Sanction including MMS	Maximum Sanction including MMS
S4-01	Fail to abide by or comply with a direction of a Match Official	First	1 Match	24 months
		Second+	2 Matches	
R6-01/ S4-02/ TO-R5/ TO-R6	Disputing a decision of a Match Official, dissent or unsporting/unprofessional behaviour	First	1 Match	24 months
		Second+	2 Matches	
R6-01/ S4-03/ TO-R3	Using offensive, insulting or abusive language or action(s) in frustration	First	2 Matches	24 months
		Second+	3 Matches	
R6-02/ S4-04/ TO-R3	Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or action(s) (isolated incident)	First	3 Matches	24 months
		Second+	5 Matches	
R6-03/ S4-05/ TO-R3	Using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or action(s) (repeated and/or excessive conduct)	First	5 Matches	24 months
		Second+	7 Matches	
R6-03/ S4-06/ TO-R3	Indecent action(s)	First	7 Matches	24 months
		Second+	11 Matches	
R6-03/ S4-07/ TO-R3	Provocation or incitement of hatred or Violence	First	9 Matches	24 months
		Second+	13 Matches	
R2-02/ R6-04/ S4-09/ TO-R2/ TO-R3	Threatening or Intimidating language and/or action(s) towards a Match Official	First	6 Matches	24 months
		Second+	16 Matches	
R6-05/ S4-08/ TO-R3	Use of discriminatory language and/or action(s) on the basis of an Attribute	First	11 Matches	24 months
		Second+	13 Matches	

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Minimum Sanction including MMS	Maximum Sanction including MMS
R6-06/ S4-10/ TO-R3	Threat of physical Violence towards a Match Official or their family or property	First	12 months	24 months
		Second+	24 months	
R2-01/ S4-11/ TO-R2	Inappropriate contact with a Match Official	First	2 Matches	24 months
		Second+	3 Matches	
R2-03/ S4-12/ TO-R1	Pushing or deliberately attempting to push a Match Official	First	12 months	Life
		Second+	24 months	
R2-03/ S4-13/ TO-R1	Tripping or deliberately attempting to trip a Match Official	First	12 months	Life
		Second+	24 months	
R2-03/ S4-14/ TO-R1	Striking or deliberately attempting to strike with force a Match Official with a ball or other object	First	12 months	Life
		Second+	24 months	
R2-04/ S4-15/ TO-R1	Punching, kicking, elbowing or striking, or deliberately attempting to punch, kick, elbow or strike, a Match Official	First	24 months	Life
		Second+	48 months	
R3-01/ S4-16/ TO-R4	Spitting at or towards a Match Official	First	12 months	Life
		Second+	24 months	
R3-02/ S4-17/ TO-R4	Biting or spitting on a Match Official	First	24 months	Life
		Second+	48 months	

GENERAL OFFENCES BY PARTICIPANTS

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Participant Sanction		Club Sanction	
			Min	Max	Min Fine	Min Fine
S5-01/ TO-R5	Unauthorised entry to the Field of Play	First	1 Match	24 months	Tribunal Discretion Schedule 1	
		Second+	2 Matches			
TO-R6	Breaches of Technical Area rules by Team Official	First	1 Match	24 months	Tribunal Discretion Schedule 1	
		Second+	2 Matches			
TO-R7	Team Official deliberately throwing/kicking an object onto the Field of Play	First	1 Match	3 Matches	Tribunal Discretion Schedule 1	
		Second+	2 Matches	5 Matches		
TO-R9	Team Official using unauthorised electronic or communication equipment and/or behaving in an inappropriate manner as a result of using electronic or communication equipment	First	1 Match	12 months	Tribunal Discretion Schedule 1	
		Second+	2 Matches	24 months		
TO-R10	Second Yellow Card	First	1 Match	1 Match	n/a	
		Second+				
S5-02	Failure to comply with request or direction of an official	First	1 Match	24 months	Tribunal Discretion Schedule 1	
		Second+	2 Matches			
S5-03/ TO-R8	Interfering with or delaying the restart of play	First	1 Match	3 months	Tribunal Discretion Schedule 1	
		Second+	2 Matches	24 months		
S5-04/ TO-R3	Offensive, insulting or abusive language or action(s) (isolated incident)	First	2 Matches	3 months	\$200	\$100
		Second+	4 Matches	6 months	\$500	\$250
S5-05/ TO-R3	Offensive, insulting or abusive language or action(s) (repeated and/or excessive conduct)	First	4 Matches	6 months	\$500	\$250
		Second+	8 Matches	12 months	\$1000	\$500
S5-06/		First	8 Matches	6 months	\$500	\$250

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Participant Sanction		Club Sanction	
TO-R3	Use of discriminatory language and/or action(s) on the basis of an Attribute	Second+	12 Matches	12 months	\$1000	\$500
S5-07/ TO-R3	Intimidatory or threatening language and/or action(s)	First	5 Matches	24 months	\$500	\$250
		Second+	9 Matches		\$1000	\$500

ANNEXURE 2: MCDONALD'S KANGA CUP SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT

TOURNAMENT CODE OF CONDUCT

This code of behaviour is applicable to all players, referees, coaches, managers and officials registered and involved in the McDonald's Kanga Cup Competition. Any breach to this Code of Conduct will be subject to disciplinary action by the McDonald's Kanga Cup Disputes & Disciplinary Committee and Capital Football. By signing this document, you are agreeing to the conditions on behalf of your team.

- a) All players, coaches, managers and club officials are to play the game in a spirit of fair play, accepting of the referee's decision and abiding by the Laws of the Game.
- b) All players, coaches, managers and club officials must not, during the course of, or after a Match, under the jurisdiction of Capital Football, abuse or address a Referee or Assistant Referee in an insulting or offensive manner.
- c) All players, coaches, managers, club officials and referees must not engage in violent acts, verbal abuse, offensive language or behaviour, or acts likely to incite others, including spectators. To engage in such behaviour or any other conduct is detrimental to the spirit and image of the game.
- d) All players, coaches, managers, officials and referees at all times must, while under the control of McDonald's Kanga Cup fixtures, act, dress and behave in public in a manner which does not bring the game or the McDonald's Kanga Cup into disrepute.
- e) All players, coaches, managers, club officials or referees shall not, at any time, make any comment in any publication, whether written, televised or broadcast, which is detrimental to the interests, welfare or image of the McDonald's Kanga Cup and Capital Football.
- f) All players, coaches, managers, club officials or referees shall not, at any time, utilise the image rights of players, officials, referees, spectators, staff and other people that are in the vicinity of authorised McDonald's Kanga Cup activities for whatever purpose without the permission of those whose image is taken.
- g) All managers, coaches and club officials will endeavour to control the behaviour of team supporters to accord with the general principles of the Code of Conduct as detailed herein.
- h) All Participants at all times must comply with any reasonable direction, given by any McDonald's Kanga Cup official at any of the playing venues, in respect to behaviour at a Match, keeping the playing field clear and in endeavouring to assist officials in maintaining control of spectators and players.

Failure to comply with all or part of the McDonald's Kanga Cup Code of Conduct will be subject to disciplinary action as determined by Capital Football or the McDonald's Kanga Cup Disputes & Disciplinary Committee.