



# KANGA CUP

DISPUTES AND DISCIPLINARY  
REGULATIONS

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## **SECTION 1: DISCIPLINARY TEAM REGULATIONS**

### **1.1 Objectives and application of regulations**

- a. Capital Football (**CF**) has established the Kanga Cup Organising Committee (**KCOC**) to deliver the Kanga Cup.
- b. These Disputes and Disciplinary Team Regulations are supplementary to the Football Australia (FA) National Disciplinary Team 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:

### **1.2 Authority and Jurisdiction**

- a. For the purposes of these regulations 'Football' refers to all forms of outdoor football
- b. The Australian Member of FIFA is Football Australia (FA)
- c. These Regulations will apply to facilitate the expeditious and fair resolution of incidents, Disciplinary Team, dispute and conduct matters relating to the Tournament.
- d. Each Participant shall submit exclusively to the jurisdiction of these Regulations and agree 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 Team, dispute, conduct or grievance matters by recourse to a court of law.

### **1.3 Possible Disciplinary Team Sanctions**

- a. Possible Disciplinary Team Sanctions are as outlined in the 2022 Capital Football Disputes and Disciplinary Team Regulations and Section 5 of the NDRs.
- b. A table of offences are set out in Annexure 1 to these Regulations (Table of Offences).

## 1.4 Tournament Code of Conduct

- a) A Participant present at a Match or otherwise involved in any activity staged during the 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, against other participants;
  - 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 Kanga Cup Matches.
- c) Any person who does not comply with the above Code of Behaviour may have Sanctions imposed on them by the KCOC.
- d) For further clarification please see the Kanga Cup Code of Behaviour attached as Annex 2.

## **1.5 Eligibility and Ineligibility of Participants**

- a) Eligible Participants include;
  - i) 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;
  - i) Participants not registered through DRIBL for the Competition
  - ii) Suspended Participants
  - iii) 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.
  - iv) 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 Regulation
- e) Any Player who knowingly plays while ineligible 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 KCOC. Any claims of ineligibility must be received within two (2) hours of the final whistle of the Match in question.
  - b. If the KCOC finds that a Team has played an ineligible Player outside the timeline above, the Team and Player can still be sanctioned.
- h) Where a team can prove to the satisfaction of the KCOC that an administrative error resulted in rendering a Player ineligible, the KCOC may deem the Player eligible.

## 1.6 Match Official Reports

1. In order to ensure the efficient delivery of Disciplinary Team and conduct matters, a Match Official must provide to the KCOC a Match Official Report immediately at the completion of a Match.
2. Match Official Reports are to be provided for:
  - a. Any Red Card offences issued during the Match; and
  - b. Any serious incidents which took place.

## SECTION 2: SANCTIONS FOR MATCH RELATED OFFENCES

Section 2 of the KCOC Disciplinary Team and Disputes Regulations deals with Yellow Cards and Red Cards issued during a Match and the accumulation of offences throughout the Tournament.

### 1. Player Yellow Card Offences

- a) 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

- b) There is no appeal against the issuing of a Yellow Card from a Referee except in the case of mistaken identity under Section 3, Article 2.

### 2. Team Official Yellow Card Offences

- a) 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"><li>• Throwing/kicking drink bottles or other objects</li><li>• Sarcastic clapping</li></ul>

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

- b) There is no appeal against the issuing of a Yellow Card from a Referee except in the case of mistaken identity under Section 3 Article 2.

### 3. Player Red Card Offences

- a) A Red Card issued to a player by a Referee under Law 12 directing them to cease participation in a Match and leave the vicinity of the Field of Play and the Technical Area during the remainder of the Match will be given under the following codes:

Code	Description
<b>R1</b>	The player is guilty of serious foul play
<b>R2</b>	The player is guilty of violent conduct
<b>R3</b>	The player is guilty of biting or spitting at someone
<b>R4</b>	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)
<b>R5</b>	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

<b>R6</b>	The player is guilty of using offensive, insulting, or abusive language and/or action(s)
<b>R7</b>	The player is guilty of receiving a second Yellow Card in the same Match

- b) There is no appeal against the receiving of a Player Red Card from the Referee except in the case of mistaken identity or obvious error pursuant to Section 3, Article 2.
- c) A Player who is given a Red Card:
  - i) Must leave the vicinity of the Field of Play and the Technical Area during the remainder of the Match, and
  - ii) Will receive a Minimum Mandatory Suspension from the KC Disciplinary team and the relevant Sanction for the Offence.
  - iii) 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 Team proceedings where required, and served their suspension in full.
- d) A Player who receives a Red Card and plays in further matches before the suspension process as outlined in Section 2, Article 3 (c) is completed will receive an additional one (1) Match suspension.
- e) A Player who receives a Red Card must serve an MMS of one (1) Match.
- f) The MMS referenced in Section 2, Article 3 (e) above, must be served in the age grade or Competition in which the accumulated Red Card is accrued.

#### **4. Team Official Red Card Offences**

- a) 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.
- b) A Red Card issued by a Referee to a Team Official under the Laws will be given under the following codes:

<b>Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>TO – R1</b>	The official is guilty of violent conduct



<b>TO – R2</b>	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)
<b>TO – R3</b>	The official is guilty of using offensive, insulting, or abusive language and/or action(s)
<b>TO – R4</b>	The official is guilty of biting and/or spitting at someone
<b>TO – R5</b>	The official is guilty of entering the Field of Play to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confront a Match Official (including at half time and full time)</li> <li>• Interfere with play, an opposing Player, or a Match Official</li> </ul>
<b>TO – R6</b>	The official is guilty of deliberately leaving the Technical Area to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Show dissent towards or remonstrate with a Match Official</li> <li>• Act in a provocative or inflammatory manner</li> </ul> Enter the opposing Technical Area in an aggressive or confrontational manner
<b>TO – R7</b>	The official is guilty of deliberately throwing/kicking an object onto the Field of Play
<b>TO – R8</b>	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
<b>TO – R9</b>	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
<b>TO – R10</b>	The official is guilty of receiving a second Yellow Card in the same Match

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

d) 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.

- e) 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.

#### **5. 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 accumulated in the Group Stage do not carry over 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.

#### **6. Accumulation of Player and Team Official Red Cards**

- a) A Player or a Team Official that receives a Red Card must serve a Minimum Mandatory Suspension of one (1) Match plus any additional suspension as determined by the KCOC or, in the case of an appeal, the suspension imposed by the KCOC or the relevant judicial appeal body, as the case may be.
- b) A Player or a 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 KCOC, or, in the case of an appeal, KCOC or the relevant judicial body, as the case may be.

## SECTION 3: SANCTIONING PROCEDURE

Section 3 of the KCOC Disciplinary Team and Disputes Regulations deals with judicial bodies, appeals processes and implementation of suspensions.

### 1. Judicial Bodies

- a) These Regulations delegate to the KCOC authority to:
  - i) Administer the Regulations.
  - ii) Convene tribunals to determine suspensions and Sanctions, to determine charges relating to offences and misconduct, deal with disputes and complaints, and to hear appeals against Determinations
  - iii) Impose Sanctions determined by tribunals.
- b) Where a Participant is being investigated by Management regarding an alleged act of Misconduct, Management has authority, at its sole and absolute discretion, to suspend the Participant from all or specific Football Related Activities until the conclusion of the investigation, including the holding of a Tribunal. Management has authority to suspend a Participant from all or specific Football Related Activities for such period and on such terms and conditions as it considers appropriate where a Participant has been charged with or convicted of a criminal offence and where Management, at its sole and absolute discretion, determines that there is a risk of harm to other Participants.
- c) A Disciplinary Team Tribunal convened by Management has authority to:
  - i) Hear and determine challenges to suspensions imposed under these Regulations.
  - ii) Hear and determine charges brought by Management against Participants.
  - iii) Require from Management and Participants the production of any document, information, or evidence in any form it deems necessary to make a Determination.
  - iv) Require attendance of Management and Participants to give evidence at hearings.
  - v) Inform itself on any matter or thing in order to properly carry out its functions in accordance with these Regulations.
  - vi) Upon a Determination of a charge, impose Sanctions in accordance with these Regulations.

- vii) The tribunal shall consist of minimum of one (1) and a maximum of three (3) members in order to make valid decisions
- d. An Appeal Tribunal convened by Management has authority to:
  - i. Hear an appeal against the Determinations made and/or Sanctions imposed by a Disciplinary Team Tribunal.
  - ii. Require from Management and Participants the production of any document, information, or evidence in any form it deems necessary to make a Determination.
  - iii. Require attendance of Management 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. Dismiss, allow in whole or in part an appeal, or vary by way of either increase or decrease a Sanction or penalty determined by a Disciplinary Team Tribunal.
  - vi. Remit a matter to the Disciplinary Team Tribunal that dealt with the matter in the first instance for re-hearing and issue any directions or orders in relation to the rehearing.
  - vii. In exceptional circumstances, conduct a fresh hearing of the matter.
  - viii. Upon a Determination of a matter, impose any Sanctions in accordance with these Regulations.
  - ix. The Appeal Tribunal shall consist of a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of three (3) member. Given the nature of the Tournament the KCOC will comprise a minimum of two (2) members in order to make valid decisions
  - x. Any appeal against a decision of the Appeal Tribunal can only be made to the relevant judicial body as detailed in the CF Disputes and Disciplinary Team Regulations, NDRs and FA Judicial Bodies by Law.
- e. When determining any appropriate Sanction, Tribunal(s) 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 Team 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.
- f. Suspensions imposed by the Tribunal(s) must not be less than the minimum suspension applicable to the most serious offence for which a Participant has been found guilty
- g. 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.
- h. Where the Tribunal(s) 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
- i. 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 Disciplinary Team Tribunal.
- j. 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.

## **2. Challenge Referee Sanctions - Mistaken Identity & Obvious Error**

### **a) Mistaken Identity**

- i. At the end of a Match, Team Officials must check with the referee confirming that all details on the score card, including the attribution of Yellow Cards, and Red Cards are correct, in accordance with the Tournament Competition Regulations.
- ii. If a Player or Team Official believe that they have been mistakenly identified on the team sheet by a Match Official, the Team Official must notify the Match Official and the Venue Manager within 30 (thirty) minutes of the conclusion of the match.

- iii. When appealing the identity, the Team must advise which Player or Team Official should have been issued with the Sanction and ask the Match Official and/or the opposition's Team Official to confirm their account with the Venue Manager.
- iv. Failure to comply with Section 3 Article 2 (a) above may result in KCOC'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.
- v. Where there is sufficient evidence that leads KCOC 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 Team 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.

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 Disciplinary Team by submitting the [2025 Kanga Cup Challenging Referee Sanction](#) including appropriate evidence within two (2) hours of the completion of the Match.
- ii. Obvious error means a decision by the Match Official:
- iii. To issue a direct Red Card to a Player when no card was warranted, or
- iv. To issue a direct Red Card to a Team Official when no card was warranted
- v. being a decision that no reasonable Referee in possession of all the facts, including those available to KC Disciplinary Team, could reasonably have made.
- vi. If the KC Disciplinary Team determines that an obvious error has been made, the KC Disciplinary Team will expunge the Red Card from the individual's Disciplinary History.
- vii. If KC Disciplinary Team determines that no obvious error has been made, the Match Official's original decision will stand, and KC Disciplinary Team will apply the relevant

sections of the Regulations.

c. Suspensions Resulting from Match Officials Send Off Reports.

- i. The KCOC 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 KCOC 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.

### **3. Implementation of Disciplinary Team Sanctions**

a. Match Suspensions

- i. Section 3 Article 14 of the 2022 Capital Football Disputes and Disciplinary Team Regulations applies to Match suspensions received during the tournament
- 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 2022 Capital Football Disputes and Disciplinary Team Regulations applies to time suspensions received during the tournament.
- c. Any suspensions 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 or team 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 or team remaining Suspension and/or any Disciplinary Team sanctions taken against them, the Member Federation may, in its absolute discretion, apply the Suspension and/or Disciplinary Team sanctions to its competitions.
- h. Suspensions Resulting from Match Official Incident Reports.
  - i. The KCOC will issue suspensions solely based on the Incident Report received from the Match Officials and in accordance with the Table of Offences.
  - ii. The KCOC will set out any suspension in Notice of Suspension which will be issued to a Participant's Team contact as soon as is practicable after completion of the Match.
- i. Suspensions Resulting from Other Incident Reports.
  - iii. The KCOC may consider Incident Reports submitted by the members of the Venue Workforce, volunteers, referee coordinators and the KCOC Tournament Director or KCOC members.
  - iv. The KCOC may request additional information when considering such cases.
  - v. The KCOC 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.
- j. Appealing a Notice of Suspension
  - i. If a Participant wishes to appeals suspension or Sanction, the Participant must submit the [2025 Kanga Cup Challenging Notice of Suspension](#) along with the following documentation within four (4) hours of the Team contact receiving notification of the Notice of Suspension or Determination.



- ii. 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.
  - iii. Pay the appeal fee of \$1500 to the KCOC via the [2025 Kanga Cup Challenging Notice of Suspension](#)
  - iv. A copy of the receipt confirming payment of the appeal fee.
  - v. Video or photo evidence and/or signed and dated written statements by other witnesses.
- k. A Participant is permitted to challenge a Notice of Suspension on the basis of the Offence code applied by the KCOC.
- i. Where the suspension issued is greater than the minimum Sanction for the Offence
  - ii. If the KCOC does not receive the documentation specified in Section 3 Article 3 (j), 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.
  - iii. The Disciplinary Team Tribunal may, in its absolute discretion, request additional information from the KCOC, from the Participant and/or from their Team contact prior to making a decision.
  - iv. After considering the evidence, the Disciplinary Team Tribunal will decide whether the appeal is to be rejected or upheld (in whole or in part)
  - v. If the Disciplinary Team Tribunal rejects the appeal, the original decision set out in the Notice of Suspension or Determination applies
  - vi. If the Disciplinary Team Tribunal 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.

## SECTION 4: SCHEDULE OF FEES

Matter	Fee
Tribunal Cost	Minimum \$325, this will vary depending on the nature of the incident. The tribunal committee will determine the final cost
Challenge Mistaken Identity or Obvious Error	Nil
Challenge a Suspension	\$1500
Seek to have a matter arbitrated by a Special Tribunal	\$3000
Appeal a Disciplinary Team tribunal determination	\$3000

## SECTION 5: 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

**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 Team History** means the Disciplinary Team 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 Team 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 Kanga Cup.

**KCCR** means the Kanga Cup Competition Regulations.

**KCOC** means the Kanga Cup Organising 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) Club Officials.
- b) Players.
- c) Spectators.
- d) Supporters.
- e) Club(s).
- f) Teams.
- g) Match Officials.
- h) Team Officials or Representatives.
- i) Capital Football Members.
- j) Capital Football Directors.

**Player** means a person who is registered to play in a Team in the Tournament. For the avoidance of doubt, during a Match this includes substitutes and substituted Players, including the goalkeeper(s)

**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 Kanga Cup Disputes and Disciplinary Team Regulations.

**Sanction** means any and all of the penalties specified in the 2022 Capital Football Disputes and Disciplinary Team 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 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 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
- e) Capital Football Staff
- f) Capital Football Board Members

## Annexure 1: Table of Offences

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Min Sanction including MMS	Max Sanction including MMS
R1 – Serious Foul Play				
R1 – 01	Serious foul play tackle or challenge	First	1 Match	24 Months
		Second +	2 Matches	
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	
R2 - Violent Conduct				
R2 – 01	Violent Conduct Grade One	First	1 Match	24 Months
		Second +	2 Matches	
R2 – 02	Violent Conduct Grade Two	First	2 Matches	24 Months
		Second +	3 Matches	
R2 – 02	Violent Conduct Grade Three	First	4 Matches	24 Months
		Second +	6 Matches	
R2 - 03	Violent Conduct Grade Four (Serious and/or premeditated violent conduct)	First	7 Matches	24 Months
		Second +	9 Matches	
R2 – 04	Violent Conduct Grade Five (Serious violent conduct that has caused bodily harm)	First	13 Matches	24 Months
		Second +	21 Matches	
R3 – Biting or Spitting				
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	
R4 - Denying Goal Scoring Opportunity				
R4 - 01	Denying opposition goal scoring opportunity by a handball offence	First	1 Match	1 Match
		Second +		
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 +		
R6 - Offensive, Insulting or Abusive Language and/or Action(s)				
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	
R7 – Second Yellow Card				
R7 – 01	Second Yellow Card	First	1 Match	1 Match
		Second +		

## Annexure 2: Table of Offences Against Match Officials

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Min Sanction including MMS	Max Sanction including MMS	Min Club Fine
S4 – 01	Fail to abide by or comply with a direction of a Match Official	First	1 Match	24 Months	\$250
		Second +	2 Matches		\$500
R6 – 01 S4 – 02 TO – R 5 TO – R6	Disputing a decision of a Match Official, dissent, or unsporting/unprofessional behaviour	First	1 Match	24 Months	\$250
		Second +	2 Matches		\$500
R6 – 01 S4 – 03 TO – R3	Using offensive, insulting, or abusive language or action(s) in frustration	First	2 Matches	24 Months	\$100
		Second +	3 Matches		\$250
R6 – 02 S4 – 04 TO – R3	Using offensive, insulting, or abusive language and/or action(s) (isolated incident)	First	3 Matches	24 Months	\$250
		Second +	5 Matches		\$500
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	\$1000
		Second +	7 Matches		\$2500
R6- 03 S4 – 06 TO – R3	Indecent action(s)	First	7 Matches	24 Months	\$1000
		Second +	11 Matches		\$2500
R6 – 03 S4 -07 TO – R3	Provocation or incitement of hatred or Violence	First	9 Matches	24 Months	\$1000
		Second +	13 Matches		\$2500
R2 – 02 R6-04 S4 – 09 TO – R2	Threatening or intimidating language and/or action(s) towards a Match Official	First	6 Matches	24 Months	\$2500
		Second +	16 Matches		\$5000



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	\$500
		Second +	13 Matches		\$1000
R6 – 06 S4 – 10 TO – R3	Threat of physical Violence towards a Match Official or their family or property	First	12 Months	Life	\$2500
		Second +	24 Months		\$5000
R2 – 01 S4 – 11 TO – R2	Inappropriate contact with a Match Official	First	2 Matches	24 Months	\$250
		Second +	3 Matches		\$1000
R2 – 03 S4 – 12 TO – R1	Pushing or deliberately attempting to push a Match Official	First	12 Months	Life	\$1000
		Second +	24 Months		\$2500
R2 – 03 S4 – 13 TO – R1	Tripping or deliberately attempting to trip a Match Official	First	12 Months	Life	\$1000
		Second +	24 Months		\$2500
R2 – 03 S4 – 14 TO – R1	Striking or deliberately attempting to strike with force at a Match Official with a ball or other object	First	12 Months	Life	\$1000
		Second +	24 Months		\$2500
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	\$2500
		Second +	48 Months		\$5000
R3 - 01 S4 – 16 TO – R4	Spitting at or towards a Match Official	First	12 Months	Life	\$500
		Second	24 Months		\$1000
R3 - 02 S4 - 17 TO - R4	Biting or spitting on a Match Official	First	24 Months	Life	\$2500
		Second +	48 Months		\$5000

### Annexure 3 - General Offences by Participants

Offence Code	Offence Description	Incidence	Min Sanction including MMS	Max Sanction including MMS	Club Sanction
S5 - 01 TO - R5	Unauthorised entry to the Field of Play	First	1 Match	24 Months	Tribunal Discretion
		Second +	2 Matches		
TO -R6	Breaches of the technical area rule by Team Officials	First	1 Match	24 Months	Tribunal Discretion
		Second +	2 Matches		
TO - R7	Team Official deliberately throwing/kicking an object onto the field of Play	First	3 Matches	24 Months	Tribunal Discretion
		Second +	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	24 Months	Tribunal Discretion
		Second +	2 Matches		
TO - R10	Second Yellow Card	First	1 Match	1 Match	N/A
		Second +	1 Match		
S5 - 02	Failure to comply with request or direction of an official	First	1 Match	24 Months	Tribunal Discretion
		Second +	2 Matches		
S5 - 03 TO - R8	Interfering with or delaying the restart of play	First	1 Match	24 Months	Tribunal Discretion
		Second +	2 Matches		
S5 - 04 TO - R3	Offensive, insulting or abusive language or action(s) (isolated incident)	First	2 Matches	24 Months	\$250
		Second +	4 Matches		\$500
S5- 05 TO - R3	Offensive, insulting or abusive language or	First	4 Matches	24 Months	\$500
		Second +	8 Matches		\$1000

	action(s) (repeated and/or excessive conduct)				
S5 -06 TO - R3	Use of discriminatory language and/or actions(s) on the basis of Attribute	First	8 Matches	24 Months	\$500
		Second +	12 Matches		\$1000
S5 - 07 TO - R3	Intimidatory or threatening language and/or action(s)	First	5 Matches	24 Months	\$500
		Second +	9 Matches		\$1000
S5 - 08	Inciting or instigating hatred or violence	First	12 Matches	24 Months	\$500
		Second +	18 Matches		\$2500
S5 - 09	Physical or aggressive behaviour towards a player, substitute, Team Official, Match Official, Spectator, or any other person	First	2 Matches	24 Months	Tribunal discretion
		Second +	4 Matches		
S5 - 10	Biting or spitting at/on another Participant (other than a Match Official)	First	5 Matches	24 Months	\$500
		Second +	8 Matches		\$1000
S5 -11	Participating in a Melee or crowd Violence	First	12 Matches	Life	\$1000
		Second +	24 Matches		\$2000
S5 - 12	Violent Conduct	First	12 Matches	Life	\$1000
		Second +	18 Matches		\$2500
S5 - 13	Damaging property or equipment	First	12 Matches	Life	\$500
		Second +	18 Matches		\$1000
S5 - 14	Possessing a Prohibited item at a Match or event	First	12 months	60 months	\$1000
		Second +	24 Months	Life	\$2500
S5 - 15	Throwing missiles, including but limited to, onto the Field of Play or at other Spectators	First	12 Months	60 Months	\$1000
		Second +	24 Months	Life	\$2500
S5 - 16	Attempting to or bringing national, political,	First	12 Months	24 Months	\$500

	religious offensive or extremist signs or symbols to a Match or event	Second +	24 Months	60 Months	\$1000
S5 - 17	Letting off a flare or incendiary device	First	24 Months	36 Months	\$1000
		Second +	24 Months	Life	\$2500
S5 - 18	Breach of Safeguarding Policy	First	Management or Tribunal Discretion		
		Second +			
S5 - 19	Breach of Statutes	First	Tribunal Discretion		
		Second +			
S5 - 20	Bringing the game into Disrepute	First	Tribunal Discretion		
		Second +			
S5 - 21	Behaviour or actions Detrimental to the interests of and/or prejudicial to the image and reputation of Capital Football and Football	First	Tribunal Discretion		
		Second +			

## **Annexure 4: Kanga Cup Participant Code Of Conduct**

This code of behaviour is applicable to all players, referees, coaches, managers, and officials registered and involved in the Kanga Cup Competition. Any breach to this Code of Conduct will be subject to Disciplinary Team action by the Kanga Cup Disputes & Disciplinary Committee and Capital Football. By registering for the tournament, 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 Kanga Cup fixtures, act, dress and behave in public in a manner which does not bring the game or the 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 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 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 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 Kanga Cup Code of Conduct will be subject to Disciplinary Team action as determined by Capital Football or the Kanga Cup Disputes & Disciplinary Team Committee.

### **Annexure 5: Kanga Cup Spectator Code Of Conduct**

For the purposes of these Regulations, Kanga Cup adopts the [FA Spectator Code of Behaviour](#) as part of the governance and regulation of the Tournament and its Participants. A reference to FA in those Codes is taken to be a reference to Kanga Cup.