

BRSA DISCIPLINE



The following is directly from Battle River Soccer Association:

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a. General

i. The Disciplinary Guidelines and Procedures for the Battle River Soccer Association applies to all persons involved with the Sport of Soccer in the Battle River District. The term Members, as used in this Section, includes but is not limited to:

- All Players, Team Officials and Game Officials;
- All Members as defined through the Bylaws or Policies of each Club; and
- All other individuals who may become involved such as Parents and Spectators.

ii. BRSA Members may only take part in or attend games on condition that they observe the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the Battle River Soccer Association (BRSA) and Alberta Soccer Association (ASA). Failure to comply with any of the aforementioned shall be considered Misconduct and shall be dealt with by a BRSA Discipline Committee.

iii. Clubs shall be held responsible for the actions of the BRSA Members associated with the Club.

iv. Certain forms of Misconduct are beyond the auspices of the BRSA Discipline Committee process as it is more appropriate for a different level of authority to deal with these, as follows:

a) Cases of misconduct involving alleged physical assault, attempted physical assault or threatening behavior towards a Game Official by any BRSA Member shall be dealt with by the Alberta Soccer Association. The term Game Official, as used in this Section, is defined as a uniformed Referee or Assistant Referee while officiating in a sanctioned game that is about to begin, is in progress or has just concluded.

b) Cases of misconduct involving alleged or attempted physical assault towards any person other than a Game Official by any BRSA Member shall be considered prima facie as a matter for criminal investigation and as such will be dealt with by the RCMP or other appropriate Police Authority. Upon the outcome of such investigation, the Board of Directors of Battle River Soccer Association shall determine if any or further disciplinary action is warranted in a given case, at the discretion of their majority.

Notwithstanding either of the circumstances provided for above, if a Member's behavior also includes the commission of a Prohibited Adult Dispute as outlined in item c) i) through iv), that Member shall still be subject to the immediate automatic disciplinary action(s) noted in item c) v) and vi) herein.

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v) In addition to matters referred to in any other Bylaw, Rule or Regulation of the BRSA and ASA it shall be misconduct if any BRSA Member is proved at a Hearing of a Discipline Committee to have done, permitted or assisted in doing or permitting any of the following:

1. Bet on any game other than on registered lotteries or pools;
2. Offered or attempted to offer, directly or indirectly, any consideration whatsoever to any BRSA Club, Team, Team Official, Player, Official of the BRSA or to any Game Official with a view to influencing the results of any game or accepting any such consideration; or
3. Committed any act or made any statement either verbally or in writing, or been responsible for conduct, continuing misconduct or any other matter which, in the opinion of a Discipline Committee, is considered to be unsportsmanlike, insulting, improper behavior or likely to bring the game into disrepute.

vi) Misconduct, for the purposes of the BRSA Discipline policy, will be referred to in one of three manners: 1) Game Infractions, (specifically in Battle River Outdoor Tier IV League play); 2) Prohibited Adult Disputes or 3) all other cases of Misconduct. All other cases of Misconduct will include those other than specific Game Infractions and Prohibited Adult Disputes. These shall subsequently be referred to as Complaints.