

24.14 DISCIPLINE AT NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND COMPETITIONS

24.14.1 The Host MA will designate an individual to Chair the Championship or

Competition Discipline Committee (CCDC). The other members of the committee will be determined by the Chair in consultation with LC Convenor and announced at the Pre-Competition Meeting. This committee will be comprised of a pool of five (5) people including the Chair, any three (3) of whom will sit as the panel of discipline hearings.

24.14.2 If determined by LC Convenor, the Chair of the CCDC or the pre-

determined discipline list below, the committee will review each incident to determine if further action is warranted.

24.14.3 All fines levied by the CCDC are payable to LC. LC Convenor will collect the

fines and submit them within fifteen (15) days of the completion of the event along with a report of each incident to LC Head Office.

24.14.4 Application of any disciplinary action will be automatic in the competition

unless, in the opinion of an interested party, the circumstances warrant further consideration or appeal, in which case a hearing will be scheduled by LC Convenor as per the guidelines in this Section.

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24.14.5 Disciplinary actions taken will be considered specific to the Championship or Competition. All disciplinary matters and actions shall be reported to LC Head Office and then forwarded to LC President for further review. LC reserves the right to impose additional discipline as a result of a Code of Conduct violation.

24.14.6 General Discipline Guidelines

24.14.6.1 In addition to any other disciplinary action which may result from an incident, the Head Coach shall be suspended for one (1) game and the team fined \$1,000 for failing to control the benches during an altercation which leads to a bench clearing brawl.

24.14.6.2 Any person suspended under the rules of play, these guidelines, by action of the CCDC or LC Convenor shall not participate in pre-game, game, or post-game activities of the championship or competition including any medal ceremonies.

24.14.7 Box Sector Pre-Determined Discipline Guidelines

24.14.7.1 The first player from each team who leaves the player's bench during an altercation shall be suspended for two (2) games at a minimum and the incident shall be reviewed by the CCDC to determine if further action is warranted.

24.14.7.2 Any player who leaves the penalty box during an altercation shall receive a two (2) game suspension at a minimum and the incident shall be reviewed by the CCDC to determine if further action is warranted.

24.14.7.3 Any person who receives a Gross Misconduct penalty shall be suspended for two (2) games at a minimum and the incident shall be reviewed by the CCDC to determine if further action is warranted.

24.14.7.4 Any player who receives a Match penalty shall be suspended for three (3) games at a minimum and the incident shall be reviewed by the CCDC to determine if further action is warranted.

24.14.7.5 Any person who enters into acrimonious discussions, makes abusive or obscene comments or gestures, or threats to referees, LC RIC, LC Convenor, Minor Officials or LC event Staff, shall be fined a minimum of \$100 and suspended for a minimum of two (2) games. The incident shall be reviewed by the CCDC to determine if further action is warranted.

24.14.7.6 Any person knowingly falsifying eligibility or certification documentation will be suspended indefinitely, until LC Discipline Committee can meet to render a decision.

24.14.8 Men's Field Sector Pre-Determined Discipline Guidelines

24.14.8.1 Any person who makes abusive or obscene comments or gestures, or threats to: referees, LC Convenor, the Referee In Chief, Minor Officials or LC event staff shall be fined a minimum of \$100. The

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incident shall be reviewed by the CCDC to determine if further action is warranted.

- 24.14.8.2 Any person falsifying eligibility or certification documentation will be suspended indefinitely, until LC Discipline Committee can meet to render a decision.
- 24.14.8.3 Where a player, substitute, coach, trainer, non-playing member of a squad or any other person officially connected with a team commits an expulsion foul and has been assessed an expulsion penalty under any specific rule from LC - RULES OF MEN'S FIELD LACROSSE, the individual shall be suspended for the remainder of the game and any overtime. This is the minimum suspension for all Expulsion Fouls under Rule 77 and 78 and shall be at minimum, the remainder of the game. The incident shall be reported in writing and may be dealt with further by the CCDC.
- 24.14.8.4 Any player who has been expelled from a game under Rule 78.2, Fighting - When benches frozen, which is the act of leaving the "frozen bench" in order to join in a fight, shall be suspended for a minimum of one (1) game. The incident shall be reported in writing and may be dealt with further by the CCDC.
- 24.14.8.5 Any player who is assessed an expulsion for joining into a fight shall be assessed a minimum one (1) game suspension. The incident shall be reported in writing and may be dealt with further by the CCDC.
- 24.14.8.6 Any player, substitute, coach, trainer, non-playing member of a squad or any other person officially connected with a team is assessed an expulsion penalty under Rule 78.4 for Refusal to accept the authority of the officials, or the use of threatening, foul or abusive language or gestures, or flagrant misconduct shall be assessed a one (1) game suspension. The incident shall be reported in writing and may be dealt with further by the CCDC.
- 24.14.8.7 Any player who is assessed an expulsion who attempts to injure an opponent, official, coach, manager or trainer shall be suspended until the CCDC rules on the incident. The incident shall be reported in writing and shall be dealt with further by the CCDC.

Any player who is assessed an expulsion who behaves in a manner of gross misconduct shall be suspended until the CCDC rules on the incident. The incident shall be reported in writing and shall be dealt with further by the CCDC.

Gross Misconduct shall be defined as:

- i. Makes derogatory comments based upon race, ethnic origin, religious background or gender.
- ii. Makes obscene gestures.
- iii. Persists in such behaviour after being expelled from a game.
- iv. Behaves in any manner to dishonour, embarrass, or disgrace the game.