

GELC DISCIPLINE

A SPECIAL NOTE WITH RESPECT TO OFFICIALS ABUSE

Discipline dispensed with respect to official's abuse verbal or otherwise after hearing from the relevant parties will be severe in the event the facts of the incident warrant same. There is no room in our game for official's abuse by players, coaches and/or fans of the game. They will be dealt with severely. Do not be the precedent setting example.

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Discipline and Suspensions

The primary purpose of the Discipline Committee is to enforce the decisions made by our officials pursuant to the CLA rules of play.

The following is the Discipline and Suspensions criteria that all teams must follow when dealing with their players and coaches.

It is the **team's responsibility** to track and record suspensions appropriately.

It's the **club responsibility** to ensure the suspensions are being served. If not recorded on the game sheet they are not counted towards time served. Team management is required to make sure player's suspensions are recorded.

*The Players Name and game(s) associated to that suspension i.e.: 1 of 3
Suspensions for coaches and fans shall be recorded in the same manner as for players.*

All suspensions are required to be written on the lines left for suspensions on the game sheets.

This includes all suspended players, coaches, and fans.

Please ensure all game sheets with suspensions are uploaded to the game in Ramp immediately following the game

In addition, all game sheets with suspensions must be sent to your club discipline chair, for additional tracking and confirmation that the suspension has been served.

Any team who uses a player who is suspended will forfeit all team points gained in the games played with the suspended player. If a team is in doubt if a player is under suspension, they should have this cleared up with their club discipline representative listed previously. If a coach allows a suspended player to play the coach will be suspended for the next game.

If the coach has not documented on the game sheet a suspended player correctly, and that player is verified as having sat out the game, the coach who signed off the game sheet as the head coach shall be suspended for the next game rather than the player sitting an additional game.

A suspension status report will be sent to Club Discipline Representatives on a biweekly basis. It is the responsibility of the club discipline representative to inform coaches, players, and fans of their suspensions and of any hearings requiring their presence. Please refer to them for your players / coach status suspensions.

All suspensions not served at the end of the season must be then served in the following season at whatever level / league you play that season. Check with your club discipline chair if you have players who need to sit a game from a previous year suspension which has not served.

Our jurisdiction to dispense discipline is derived from the by-laws and regulations of the GELC noted below along with the process for how hearings should they arise be necessary.

Meetings will be held as required but not more frequently than once every 10 days.
Meetings may occur in person, virtually or by email as decided by the chair. Your club discipline chair will notify appropriate team officials should your presence be required at a hearing.

2022 DISCIPLINE CHART

Type	ALA Position	GELC Position
Minor		2 minute penalty
Double Minor		4 minute penalty
Major		5 Minute Penalty
Game Misconduct CLA Rule 79	As per CLA Rule 79, will result in the individual being suspended for the remainder of the game, immediately leave the venue or go to the dressing room	As per ALA
Match CLA Rule 80	Match as per CLA Rule 80 will result in the individual being suspended from all ALA sanctioned activities. An incident report will be immediately filled out and sent to the committee	As Per ALA
Gross Misconduct CLA Rule 48	As per CLA Rule 48 will result in a MATCH PENALTY with the individual being suspended from all further ALA sanctioned activities and the incident referred to committee	As per ALA May not be at or inside a GELC arena until resolution and or suspension served
Infraction	ALA POSITION	GELC POSITION
5 Penalties In 1 Game - Expulsion	Remainder of Game	Expulsion –remainder of the game
Checking From Behind	As per CLA rule 38	As per CLA rule 38
Attempts To Butt End	In addition to CLA rule 35, a five minute major penalty, a game misconduct plus a one game suspension.	In addition to CLA rule 35, a five minute major penalty, a game misconduct plus a one game suspension.
INFRACTION	ALA POSITION	GELC POSITION

Butt Ending	In addition to CLA Rule 35, the player will automatically receive a major penalty, asses a match penalty and an automatic two game suspension and a referral to committee which may add a further suspension. The player may return to play if not notified by the committee	As per ALA
Attempts To Kick	In addition to CLA Rule 57, a five minute major penalty, game misconduct, plus a one game suspension	As per ALA
Kicking	In addition to CLA Rule 57, the player will automatically receive a major penalty, asses a match penalty and an automatic two game suspension and a referral to committee which may add a further suspension. The player may return to play if not notified by the Committee	
Attempts To Spear	In addition to CLA Rule 65, a five minute major penalty, a game misconduct, plus a one game suspension.	As per ALA
Spearing	In addition to CLA Rule 65, the player will automatically receive a major penalty, a match Penalty and an automatic two game suspension and referral to committee, which may add a further suspension the player may return to play if not notified by the committee.	
Fighting	Major Penalty & Game Misconduct	Major & Game Misconduct
Fighting In Last 10 Minutes Of Game	Major Penalty , Game Misconduct and an Additional Game	Major & Game Misconduct Plus 1 Game
INFRACTION	ALA POSITION	GELC POSITION

Fighting off the Floor	CLA Rule 45 player is suspended from any further lacrosse activities. An incident report will be forwarded to the committee and the player remains suspended until the committee directs otherwise.	Gross Misconduct
Fighting - Instigator Or Aggressor	As per CLA Rule 45(b) the player will receive a major for fighting and a game misconduct. Player will also be assessed a major for being the aggressor and the game misconduct along with the additional Game misconduct for having two majors in a game. As per ALA Regulation 20.02.7 player will be suspended for the remainder of the game immediately leave the venue and go the dressing room and the incident shall be referred to committee with the player remaining suspended until the committee directs.	As Per ALA Major and a game misconduct
Restarting A Fight	In addition to CLA Rule 45(c) this action will result in player being assessed a match penalty	Match
2 nd Fight In The Season	Not included	An Additional 1 Game Suspension + Other Suspension
3 rd Fight Of The Season	Not included	Gross Misconduct
Face Masking	Not included	Match
2nd Game Misconduct In Same Game	Player will be suspended for the remainder of the game. Immediately leave the venue or go to the dressing room and the incident will be referred to committee with the player remaining suspended until the committee directs otherwise	AS per ALA
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Reckless and Endangering Play	As per CLA Rule 30 will result in a match penalty, with the individual being suspended from all further ALA sanctioned activities and the incident is referred to committee.	Match Penalty
Misconduct Off The Playing Floor	Refer to CLA Rule 79, with the individual being suspended from all further ALA sanctioned activities and the incident is referred to committee with the individual remaining suspended until the committee directs otherwise.	As per ALA
Abuse Of Game Officials	Match - Referred To Committee CLA Rule 28 with the individual being suspended from further ALA sanctioned activities with such incident being referred to committee and Individual suspended until the committee directs otherwise	As Per ALA
Refusing To Play	ALA Regulation 20.02.21 CLA Rule 63 A six game suspension to the head coach	Head coach of the game must appear before the discipline committee if requested.
Abusive Conduct by Spectators	Regulation 21 ALA as perceived by a Referee, Tournament Chair, or other ALA Executive Committee members, will result in having the referee have the coach ask his/her "fan" to immediately remove him/herself from the arena and not to return for the remainder of the game. The game will not resume until said fan is completely removed from the arena. If the fan refuses to leave within a reasonable time, the team to which the fan is related will forfeit the game. An incident report will be sent to the committee.	See GELC Regulation 13 an additional one game suspension

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3 rd Game Misconduct In A Season and/or game expulsion in a season	A two game suspension and referral to the Committee which may further suspend although the individual has finished the two game suspension and resumed participation in lacrosse	As per ALA
2 Majors In One Game		
Coach Ejections		1 st Ejection of the playing season will receive an automatic one game suspension 2 nd Ejection will of the playing season will receive an automatic additional 3 game suspension 3 rd Ejection of the playing season the coach will have and a mandatory discipline hearing. The head coach is to put on the game sheet which coach was ejected and if it is not submitted on the game sheet the head coach is to sit the additional games.
Harassment Policy Violations		Any Harassment Policy violations called on the floor by an official with appropriate written documentation provided shall result referral to discipline.

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If the penalty resulting in the automatic suspension is incurred in a tournament (other than the Club team Provincials) then the individual shall be suspended from participating in the applicable number of remaining tournament games and those games shall count toward the automatic suspension. The Tournament suspension if not fully served shall carry forward into regular season and/or league/provincial playoff games only. The GELC will uphold discipline actions as per the ALA for actions taking place outside of the GELC. The GELC will not impose additional disciplinary actions up return.

VIDEO REVIEW AT HEARINGS

At the discretion of the chair video review maybe permitted at the case of hearing or committee referral only. All calls made on the floor will stand as called by the game officials. Video maybe used to determine disciplinary action by the committee. Video will not be used for missed calls. Video will only be considered if the following conditions are met.

1. The video has not been posted publicly on any form of digital media, social media, webpages or set for group review.
2. The video shows 2/3s of the floor were the incident happened (le end boards to far restraining line).
3. The video shows a minimum 30 seconds of floor activity prior to the incident and runs in entirety until the incident is resolved

4. Off floor incidents may not need to meet 2 and 3 if they do not involved players on the playing surface when the incident happens
5. Video must be presented to the Chair by the Head Coach only, within 48 hours of the incident. The chair will then have 72 hours to review the video to deem if it meets the criteria The recorder of the video must be identified upon submission
6. The video will not be shared as per 1 after the review. If this happens the head coach will be referred to discipline.
7. If discovered by the committee additional disciplinary actions may be imposed to those involved in the incident