



Newfoundland and Labrador Soccer Association Misconduct Report -2023

This form must be used by a referee for each dismissal issued. This form must be submitted to the appropriate authority within 48 hours of the game or earlier if stipulated by the rules of the competition. In the event this report is not submitted within 48 hours you will be fined \$100.00 for the first offense and suspended upon the second one. In all cases of alleged physical assault, attempted physical assault or threatening behaviour directed at a game official, or a dismissal for racist or sexist comments, the report must be sent to the Newfoundland and Labrador Soccer Association, with a copy to the respective league/regional association and the director of officials within 48 hours. See attached guide for instructions on filling the form in.

Misconduct report

League		Division		Age group	
Date		Start time			
Venue		Home		Away	
Dismissed individual (highlight one)	Player		Coach		Other team official
Name			Team		

The incident took place when?

- Before the match
 During the match
 After the match

The dismissal was for one of the following reasons:

- Dismissal for a second caution - one (or more) was for dissent
- Dismissal for a second caution - no caution was for dissent
- Used offensive or insulting or abusive language and/or gestures
- Spitting at or biting someone
- Denied the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball
- Denied an obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick; or penalty kick if not challenging for the ball
- Serious Foul Play
- Violent Conduct
- Bench staff offence. If not listed above; includes delaying restart of play by opposing team; leaving technical area to show dissent to an official; entering opposing technical area in confrontational manner; throwing or kicking an object onto the field of play; entering the field of play to confront a match official or interfere with play.

Was the misconduct directed at a game official? (circle or highlight one) Yes No
 Did the misconduct involve the use of racist or sexist language/ abuse? (circle or highlight one) Yes No

Which of the following best describes the actions of the individual following the dismissal?

- Left the field without any further incident
- Did not leave immediately and continued to dispute the referee's decision
- Committed additional misconduct, on or off the field: (referee to document actions in report)
- Returned at the end of the game: (referee to document actions in report)

Description of the incident

Referee details

Referee (Print)		Name of official preparing report	
Assistant referee 1 (Print)		Signature of official preparing report – not required when submitting via email	
Assistant referee 2 (Print)			
4 th official (Print)		Date	

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Guide to filling in the form

- Whenever you send off a player, you MUST report the matter. You have NO discretion.
- Such a report MUST be submitted within 2 days. Referees are reminded that FAILURE TO SUBMIT REPORTS RENDERS THE REFEREE LIABLE TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION.
- Remember your ABCs- **A**ccurate, **B**rief, **C**lear
 - Be accurate in your reporting of the incident — avoid confusing or conflicting statements.
 - Be brief — you are required to report only the incident leading to the sending-off.
 - Be clear — stick rigidly to a description of the incident; it is not for you to pass judgment.
- Clearly indicate the OFFENCE for which the player was sent off under the provisions of Law 12, as detailed in the “Laws of the Game”.
- Report the INCIDENT accurately, briefly and clearly. Do not confuse the OFFENCE and the INCIDENT.
- The following points may be of relevance and help build up a general picture:
 - the time at which the incident took place
 - the position on the field where the incident took place
 - as referee, your position and distance from the incident.
- Almost every important word that you will need to use is in the “Laws of the Game”.
- If dismissing bench personal/ coaches, ensure you are aware of the 2022-23 Laws of the Game and the appropriate reasons for dismissal.
- In the case of foul or abusive language try to include the specific words used.
- Don't forget to sign the report, date it and submit it, within two days of the match taking place
- Once completed the form should be submitted to the appropriate authority- in general the league or competition committee in which you are officiating.
- **In all cases of alleged physical assault, attempted physical assault or threatening behaviour directed at a game official, the report must be sent to the Newfoundland and Labrador Soccer Association, with a copy to the respective league/regional association within 48 hours.**
- **Any report of misconduct relating to the use of racist or sexist language, or racism or sexism in any form must follow the same procedure.**
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