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2024 Annual General Meeting – Discipline Report December 12, 2024

Current Committee: Stephan Simon (Chair), Jason Trask, Morvarid Akhgar

Operations Coordinator (Discipline Administrator): Ifman Huerta

I would like to thank the current discipline committee members and the SAS board members who have helped us over the past year. Many hours go into administration, appeals, and issues of rules and regulations. We appreciate the commitment and time of our volunteers to keep our game safe.

The discipline committee recognizes the professional and diligent work of Ifman Huerta and Danielle Bryk in the SAS office to handle disciplinary issues. We also acknowledge the vital work of the Saskatoon and District Soccer Referee's Association Inc. (SDSRAI) and their president Alex McGreavey. The referee's efforts in keeping our game fair and safe are essential to our organization. We could not enjoy our sport without their dedication, expertise, support, and collaboration.

We would like to stress that disciplinary measures can only happen if the SAS and the committee are aware of actions that may require disciplinary action. We depend on the officials of the SDSRAI to promote, support, and enforce our rules along with the Laws of the Game, and in keeping with the Saskatchewan Soccer Association (SSA).

The discipline committee and office would like to remind the members that any interaction with SAS volunteers, office staff, and our partners needs respect and dignity. The discipline committee has zero tolerance for disrespectful, hurtful, or bullying words, actions, or communications and members are subject to discipline for breaching the SAS code of conduct. We value and welcome your feedback, comments, and concerns, delivered in a constructive, respectful, and dignified manner.

This past year the discipline committee and SAS board members reviewed the Discipline Guidelines and Schedule A. We made minor revisions for clarity, returned boarding (attempt to play ball) back to fall under Serious Foul Play, and improved clarity on accumulation of suspension fines, and the use of Live Barn footage.

Violent conduct and serious foul play declined in 2023-2024 indoor from the prior season, while outdoor remained consistent despite a disappointing increase in foul & abusive language. Our current indoor season is on the decline as well. Overall yellow cards have increased from the prior year, in large part due to increases in Men's Indoor and Women's Outdoor. Congratulations to Men's Masters (indoor and outdoor), as well as Co-ed on their decreasing yellow cards. Yellow card accumulations more than doubled in both indoor and outdoor over the prior season, though our current indoor season is on pace to be lower than 2022-2023. Ineligible player suspensions are also on the decline.

The discipline committee continues to review the number of infractions and when necessary, recommend revisions of the Discipline Guidelines to the Board, to ensure that our game is fair and safe for all players.

SAS applies the same rules and process to everyone within the league, while adhering to our Discipline Guidelines. We encourage members to review the Discipline Guidelines regularly.

We continue to seek members interested in the discipline process to serve on hearing and appeal committees. We prefer three people to sit on each hearing or appeal and we keep an active list of volunteers so hearings and appeals can occur promptly. If you would like to support your organization, please contact the SAS office.

Stephan Simon

Discipline Committee Chair

Statistics gathered from past and current seasons for your review:

	Indoor 2022-2023	Indoor 2023-2024	Indoor* 2024-2025	Outdoor 2023	Outdoor 2024
YELLOW CARDS					
Men's	348	532	197	393	381
Men's Master's	77	40	18	76	23
Men's Legends	0	9	4	11	10
Women's	32	41	28	16	25
Women's Masters	-	3	7	-	-
Women's Legends	-	-	2	-	-
Co-ed	102	96	29	15	14
Co-ed Masters		1	-	-	ı
TOTAL	559	722	285	511	453
RED CARDS					
Violent Conduct	20	12	2	9	9
Serious Foul Play	7	5	2	3	1
Denying Goal Opportunity	4	4	2	5	4
Foul/Abusive Language	2	5	3	5	12
Two Yellow Cards	19	17	9	13	12
Spitting	-	ı	-	-	-
Other	ı	ı	-	-	Ī
TOTAL	52	43	18	35	38
SUSPENSION					
Reviews	11	2	2	12	7
Hearings	1	1	0	0	0
Appeals	0	0	0	0	0
CARD ACCUMULATION SUS	SPENSIONS (#	of Players)			
Yellow (3YC/5YC/6YC)	17/1/0	46/6/1	4/0/0	11/2/0	28/0/0
Red	0	0	0	0	0
INELIGIBLE PLAYER SUSPEN	ISIONS				
Players Not Registered	4	18	19	13	10
Players Registration Not Paid	23	-	-	-	-
Illegal Permits	4	9	3	3	1
Playing while suspended	-	1	-	-	-