

UNITED SOCCER LEAGUE RULES OF CONDUCT PENALTY GUIDELINES

All laws referred to within these Rules of Conduct refer to the laws of the game as currently adopted and published by the International Football Association Board (“IFAB”) issued through the Federation Internationale de Football Associations (“FIFA”) and the United States Soccer Federation (“USSF”) (hereinafter referred to as the “Laws”). The Laws shall be applied to all questions arising out of the actual playing of the game, except as modified by the League Rules of Competition (referred to as “Rules”). In the spirit of the game, the following guidelines shall be used when determining suspensions and other penalties. Please refer to the Rules for general information regarding the conduct of individuals. Please note suspensions are not to be counted during forfeits and, or postponements. Below are some of the penalties that will be levied for infractions:

NON-SERIOUS FOUL – YELLOW CARD – In discretion of the Referee

Item	Description	Penalty	Min Games Suspension	Minimum Fine
VERBAL INFRACTIONS (ALL DIVISIONS):				
01	Arguing	Yellow card		
02	Delay of game (discretion of referee, but minimum)	Yellow card		
03	Offensive language to other player, spectator, manager	Red card	1	
04	Offensive language to referee	Red card	3	
05	Cursing at other player, spectator, manager, referee	Red card	3	
PHYSICAL INFRACTIONS (ALL DIVISIONS):				
06	Spitting at another player, spectator, manager, referee	Red card	6	
07	Serious foul play or violent conduct per IFAB definitions	Red Card	4	\$100 – 1 st offense 2 nd and above increased fines
08	Retaliation/kicking another player, spectator, manager	Red card	3	
09	Fighting	Red card	6	
10	Physical threat to another player, spectator, manager	Red card	3	

11	Physical threat to referee	Red card	6	
12	Fighting/retaliation that results in serious injury	Red card	10 upon review	
13	Physical contact with referee	Red card	10 upon review	
14	Refusing to leave the field immediately upon issuance of a red card (straight red or secondary caution)	n/a	1 added game	\$100

ADDITIONAL PENALTIES:

- A. Players who receive a yellow card in a game are suspended for 10 minutes from the game.
- B. Players who receive a yellow card in two consecutive games are suspended for 1 game.
- C. Players who receive 4 yellow cards in a yearly season are suspended for 1 game.
- D. Players who receive 3 or more red cards in a yearly season must appear before the Board.

All infractions will be reviewed by the Conduct Committee and if necessary, the Competition Committee. It will be the responsibility of the Team Captain and, or Manager of the offending player to contact the Conduct Committee Chairman to discuss any details pertinent to the infraction(s) prior to the next scheduled game. In addition to the discussion with the Team Captain and, or Manager, the referee report will also be used to determine what penalties/suspensions should be assessed based on the infraction(s) committed. If there is no contact made by the Team Captain and, or Manager, then the penalties assessed will be based on the information on the referee's report, using the guideline above. Any questions or clarifications can be directed to the Conduct Committee.