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SABL Bylaw Breach Penalties

CHARGE: QUESTIONING OF UMPIRES JUDGEMENT CALL;

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Penalty	Plea	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP01	1	No use of offensive or aggressive language or behaviour	Caution		1 game suspension	
BP02	2	Continuous or prolonged	1 suspension	game	2-4 suspension	games
BP03	2	Abusive or aggressive behaviour or language	1 suspension	game	2-4 suspension	games

CHARGE: OFFENSIVE AND OR ABUSIVE LANGUAGE;

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Penalty	Plea	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP04	1	Offensive language audible to spectators (not prolonged)	Caution		1 game suspension	
BP05	1	Offensive gesture towards spectators	Caution		1 game suspension	
BP06	2	Toward a participant of the game including but not limited to audible and or gesture	1 suspension	game	2 suspension	games
BP07	3	Towards an umpire or league official or spectator including but not limited to audible and or gesture	2 suspension	games	3 suspension	games
BP08	4	Towards anyone with threat of violence	4 suspension	games	6-12 suspension	games
BP09	4	Prolonged	4 suspension	games	6-12 suspension	games

CHARGE: UMPIRE ABUSE BY PARTICIPANTS

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Penalty	Plea	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP10	2	Offensive and or abusive language or gesture towards an umpire or spectator	2 suspension	games	3 suspension	games
BP11	2	Physical threat or aggressive behaviour towards an umpire or	5 suspension	games	8-12 suspension	games
BP12	3	Roughly handling an umpire	Tribunal appearance		6-20 suspension	games
BP13	4	Striking or attempting to strike an umpire	Tribunal appearance		12-60 suspension	games

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CHARGE: UMPIRE ABUSE BY SPECTATORS

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Penalty	Plea	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP14		Offensive and or abusive language or gesture towards an umpire by a spectator	A3			
		Second report in any 12-month period	B2			
		Third report in any 12-month period	B3			
		Fourth report in any 12-month period	Tribunal appearance			

CHARGE: CONTEMPT

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Penalty	Plea	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP15	1	Failure to leave the field vicinity following ejection	1 suspension	game	2-3 suspension	games
BP16	1	Failure to appear before tribunal on a contested charge	2 suspension	games	3 suspension	games
BP17	2	Failure to complete an imposed penalty before participating baseball in anywhere in Australia	Tribunal appearance		3-4 suspension	games
BP18	2	Providing false information to the Tribunal	Tribunal appearance		3-4 suspension	games
BP19	3	Organising false witnesses before the tribunal or bring the Tribunal process into disrepute	Tribunal appearance		6-8 suspension	games

CHARGE: UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT;

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Penalty	Plea	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP20	1	Misdemeanour with no violence or aggression including but not limited to ball or equipment tampering, failure to obey an umpire's directive, own equipment abuse.	Caution		1 game suspension	
BP21	2	Aggressive behaviour or aggression including but not limited to unduly rough tag or slide, throwing ball, bat, or helmet towards someone.	2 suspension	games	4-6 suspension	games
BP22	2	Intentionally throwing at a batter	2 suspension	games	4-6 suspension	games
BP23	3	Violent behaviour, including but not limited to pushing a participant, instigate a melee, or careless play resulting in possible or actual injury.	Tribunal appearance		6-20 suspension	games
BP24	4	Striking or attempting to strike a participant or spectator	Tribunal appearance		8-60 suspension	games

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CHARGE: SUBSTANCES;

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Penalty	Plea	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP25	2	Using tobacco products on the playing field* before or during any game.	2 suspension	games	8-12 suspension	games
BP26	2	Drinking alcohol immediately before or during the game, including having opened containers of alcohol on the field at any time.	4 suspension	games	6-60 suspension	games
BP27	3	Playing or being on a field* when intoxicated by alcohol or non-prescription drug that may impair the safety of the member, spectator, official or participants.	6 suspension	games	8-60 suspension	games
BP28	3	Any breach of the ABF anti-Doping Policy	2015 ABF Policy			

CHARGE: SOCIAL MEDIA AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION;

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Plea Penalty	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP29	1	Offensive or abusive language used towards a league official	2 suspension	6-12 suspension	games
BP30	2	Offensive or abusive language identifying a league official	Tribunal appearance	6-12 suspension	games
BP31	3	Bringing the sport into disrepute	Tribunal appearance	8-60 suspension	games

CHARGE: UNIFORM

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Guilty Penalty	Plea	Tribunal Penalty	Guilty
BP33		A Club that plays its players in a uniform not approved by the Board will attract the penalty	A1			
BP34		Second continuance of the Breach and charge code BP33	A3		B3	
BP35		Third continuance of the Breach and charge code BP34	B3		B3	

CHARGE: PRIOR CONVICTIONS

Charge Code	Grade	Description	2 nd Charge	3 rd Charge	4 th Charge
BP32		If a subsequent charge is attracted within a 12-month period then an additional penalty will apply.	50%	100%	12 Month Suspension

Where a subsequent charge occurs within a rolling 12 months period and the penalty is increased, the resultant number of games suspension is rounded down to a whole number of games, with a minimum of a 1 game additional penalty. Example: A caution is equivalent to one match.

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CHARGE: FINALS

Charge Code	Grade	Description	Grade 2 Charge	Grade 3 Charge	Grade 4 Charge
BP32		During all Finals Games, the following will be imposed	+25%	+50%	+100%

PROVOCATION

- Provocation is not to be regarded as a defence unless a written report is provided outlining the provocation. The written report may provide the grounds for charges to be laid. A poor judgement call by an umpire is not considered provocation.
- An ejection should serve as a signal to the participant that they have done something wrong and immediately cease any wrongdoing.
- Any subsequent action following an ejection should be a new charge and any penalty served sequentially along with any penalty imposed for the offense that caused the ejection.

* The “field” includes but not limited to dugouts, scorer’s area, bullpens, and all parts of the playing field.

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