

Yellow Card Infringements

- 1. A Yellow Card is a warning from a Match Official to a Player in respect of unfair behaviour of a less serious nature and is issued in accordance with Law 12 of the Laws of the Game as detailed below:
 - 1. Y1 is guilty of unsporting behaviour
 - 2. Y2 shows dissent by word or action
 - 3. Y3 persistently infringes the Laws of the Game
 - 4. Y4 delays the restart of play
 - 5. Y5 fails to respect the required distance when play is restarted with a corner kick, free kick or throw-in
 - 6. Y6 enters or re-enters the field of play without the referee's permission
 - 7. Y7 deliberately leaves the field of play without the referee's permission
- 2. A Yellow Card issued to a Player may not be reviewed or challenged except in the case of mistaken identity.
- 3. A Player who accumulates 4 Yellow Cards in the regular season must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 1 Match regardless of the competition in which the cards were accrued.
- 4. A Player who accumulates 8 Yellow Cards in the regular season must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 2 Matches regardless of the competition in which the cards were accrued.
- 5. A Player who accumulates 12 Yellow Cards in the regular season must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 3 Matches regardless of the competition in which the cards were accrued.
- 6. A Player who accumulates 16 Yellow Cards in the regular season must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 4 Matches regardless of the competition in which the cards were accrued.
- 7. A Player who accumulates 2 Yellow Cards in a pre-season competition or finals series must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 1 Match.
- 8. The accumulation of Yellow Cards, which does NOT result in a Suspension in accordance with paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 will be reset to zero at the last match of the pre-season competition, the group stage of the pre-season competition, the regular season and any finals series.
- 9. If a Player receives 2 Yellow Cards in a single Match and therefore receives an Indirect Red Card, the 2 Yellow Cards must not be included in the Player's accumulated total of Yellow Cards as described in paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.
- 10. If a Player receives a Yellow Card and then a Direct Red Card in a single Match, the Yellow Card must be included in the Player's accumulated total of Yellow Cards as described in paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.
- 11. A single Yellow Card received during a friendly or Representative Match does not accumulate towards future competition Matches.
- 12. A single Yellow Card issued during an abandoned Match must be annulled if the Match is replayed and upheld if the Match is not replayed.



Red Card Infringements

- 1. A Red Card is shown to a Player in respect of unfair behaviour of a more serious nature and is issued in accordance with Law 12 of the Laws of the Game as detailed below:
 - 1. R1 is guilty of serious foul play
 - 2. R2 is guilty of violent conduct
 - 3. R3 spits at an opponent or any other person
 - 4. R4 denies the opposing Team a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball (this does not apply to a goalkeeper within his own penalty area)
 - 5. R5 denies the opposing Team 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
 - 6. R6 uses offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures
 - 7. R7 receives 2 Yellow Cards in the same Match
- 2. A player who is shown a Red Card:
 - a) must leave the field of play and its surroundings and may not be present inside the perimeter fence or barrier, where one is present, or within 20 metres of the field of play where no perimeter fence or barrier is present, until at least 15 minutes following the end of the Match;
 - b) must serve an Automatic Match Suspension;
 - may be required to attend a Tribunal hearing depending on the seriousness of the Offence.
- 3. A Player who is issued with a Red Card may not participate in any Football West Match on the same day either as a Club Associate, Club referee, Club assistant referee or in any other official capacity for the Club.
- 4. An exclusion from participation in accordance with paragraph 3 is in addition to any sanction imposed by Football West or a Tribunal.
- 5. A Red Card issued to a Player may not be reviewed or challenged except in the case of mistaken identity.
- 6. A Player issued with a Red Card must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 1 Match.
- 7. A Player who accumulates a second Red Card in a Competition Season must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 2 Matches.
- 8. A Player who accumulates a third Red Card in a Competition Season must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 3 Matches.
- 9. A Player who accumulates a fourth Red Card in a Competition Season must serve an Automatic Match Suspension of 4 Matches.
- 10. The imposition of an Automatic Match Suspension is immediate. For completeness, Football West must issue a Disciplinary Infringement Notice in accordance with this By-Law, but for the avoidance of doubt, the Automatic Match Suspension is effective regardless of whether or not the Disciplinary Infringement Notice is received before the next Match.
- 11. In addition to the Automatic Match Suspension described in paragraphs 6, 7, 8 and 9, the Player may be required to serve an Additional Suspension in accordance with the Table of Offences.
- 12. A Red Card issued during an abandoned Match must be upheld regardless of whether or not the Match is replayed.