



YPLN Disciplinary Tariff – 2020 (updated July 2020)

- 1 In all cases it is mandatory that clubs / players forward a sincere letter of apology.
- 2 The conduct listed in Level 1 to Level 4 above cannot be considered to be exhaustive.
- 3 In determining the appropriate level, it is again to be remembered that the core aim of the Disciplinary Regulations is to maintain the highest standards of behaviour and conduct in the game of cricket. The Level determined for an alleged breach of the Code of Conduct should be proportionate to achieve that core aim.
- 4 Where any alleged breach falls outside the conduct above, whether on or off the field, the League shall determine the appropriate Level with reference to the following factors:
 - i. The level of harm caused (or potentially caused) to the interests or reputation of the League(s) or the game of cricket in general.
 - ii. Whether any alleged language used or gesture made may offend, insult, humiliate, intimidate, threaten, disparage or vilify another person on the basis of that person's (or that person's perceived) age, race, religion, sexual orientation, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin.
 - iii. Whether it is alleged that any conduct was intended to cause physical harm to another person, or such harm was reasonably foreseeable.
 - iv. Whether it is alleged that any behaviour caused harm to a child, or such harm was reasonably foreseeable.
 - v. The level of harm/distress the alleged conduct caused (or may have caused) to another person.
 - vi. Whether it is alleged that any conduct was criminal or otherwise unlawful.
 - vii. Any other factor relevant to the particular circumstances of the alleged conduct.

Notes:

- i. Where a player is penalised with a playing ban, this refers to competitive cricket only in matches arranged in competitions affiliated to the ECB. If any doubt exists clubs should check with the original Case Manager.
- ii. If a player receives two cautions within any one season then they will be subject to a minimum two week playing ban.
- iii. Clubs and/or players contesting a charge under level 1 & 2 shall be entitled to appeal to a panel hearing and will be liable to a mandatory administration charge of £100, plus expenses for venue hire & panel member travel costs. In all cases a player's and club's disciplinary record will be taken into account.
- iv. Offences adjudged to be Level 3 & 4 will go straight to a disciplinary hearing.
- v. Penalties for offences in Level's 1 & 2 will be considered 'summary penalties'.
- vi. Any club suffering deduction of Merit Table points in excess of 75 during a season, due to disciplinary issues, shall be required to apply for re-election at the Annual General Meeting and will be required to provide an undertaking of future good conduct. (Rule 7.1)

LEVEL ONE OFFENCES

	Offence	Penalty
A	Discretionary issue. Generally where the League do not believe the offence is worthy of a playing ban.	Caution and warning as to future conduct
B	Abuse of the cricket ground, equipment or fixtures	Playing ban of 2 weeks (4 weeks if appeal hearing required) Mandatory deduction of 10 Merit table points per individual week's ban (ie. 2 week ban will attract 20 merit table points, and £25 administration fee)
C	Showing dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action	
D	Using language that is obscene, offensive or insulting and or the making of an obscene gesture	
E	Excessive appealing	
F	Social media issues	
G	Time wasting by either the fielding side or the batting side which results in a 5 run penalty or the bowler being disallowed from bowling any further in that innings in accordance with Laws 41.9 and 41.10.	
H	Advancing towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing	
I	Bowling a dangerous or unfair short-pitched delivery and/or an accidental non-pitching delivery that results in the bowler being disallowed from bowling any further in that innings in accordance with Laws 41.6 and 41.7.	

LEVEL TWO OFFENCES

	Offence	Penalty
A	Showing serious dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action	Playing ban of 4 weeks (6 weeks if appeal hearing required) Mandatory £100 fixed penalty Mandatory deduction of 10 League points Mandatory deduction of 10 Merit table points per individual weeks ban (ie. 2 week ban will attract 20 merit table points, plus £50 administration fee)
B	Inappropriate and deliberate physical contact between players in the course of play	
C	Charging or advancing towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing	
D	Deliberate and malicious distraction or obstruction on the field of play, regardless as to whether such conduct is deemed to be fair under law 42.5	
E	Throwing the ball at or near a player, umpire or official in an inappropriate and dangerous manner	
F	Using language or gesture that is obscene or of a serious insulting nature to another player, umpire, team official or spectator	
G	Changing the condition of the ball other than as permitted by Law 42.3	
H	Causing avoidable damage to the pitch that results in a 5 run penalty being awarded under Laws 41.12.3, 41.14.3 and 41.15.3.	

LEVEL THREE OFFENCES

	Offence	Penalty
A	Intimidating an umpire by language or behaving in an Intimidating, insulting and offensive manner towards an Umpire or recognised Official of the League.	i. Mandatory playing ban of between 6 to 10 weeks ii. Mandatory non-refundable administration charge of £150 iii. Mandatory payment of expenses for venue hire and panel member travel costs iv. Mandatory financial penalty of between £200 & £500 v. Mandatory minimum deduction of 20 League points vi. Mandatory deduction of 10 merit table points per weeks ban.
B	Threatening to assault another player, team official or spectator	
C	Using language or gesture that offend, insult, humiliate, intimidate, threaten, disparage or vilify another person on the basis of that person's (or that person's perceived) age, race, religion, sexual orientation, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin	
D	The deliberate bowling of any high full-pitched ball contrary to Law 42.8	

LEVEL FOUR OFFENCES

	Offence	Penalty
A	Threatening an umpire or official	i. Mandatory minimum playing ban of 10 weeks ii. Mandatory non-refundable administration charge of £150 iii. Mandatory payment of expenses for venue hire & panel member travel costs iv. Mandatory financial penalty of between £200 & £500 v. Mandatory minimum deduction of 30 league points vi. Mandatory deduction of 10 merit table points per weeks ban vii. Optional – club required to apply for re-election viii. Optional – expulsion of player (s) from the League ix. Optional – expulsion of the Club
B	Physical assault of another player, umpire, official or spectator	
C	Any act of violence on the field of play.	
D	Using language or gestures that seriously offend, insult, humiliate, intimidate, threaten, disparage or vilify another person on the basis of that person's (or that person's perceived) age, race, religion, sexual orientation, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin.	
E	Abuse of League Officials. This may be via varying methods – directly, social media, comments made to third parties etc. Abusers cannot hide behind the fact that they are not representing the club.	
F	Failure to comply with the decision of a Disciplinary Panel.	
G	Breach of ECB Covid-19 regulations.	
H	Non-payment of League Fees.	