

GENERAL INFORMATION*

Lead Area:	RUGBY OPERATIONS
Lead Policy Title:	JUDICIAL COMMITTEE POLICY
Date last modified:	15 FEBRUARY 2018

All players must appear before judiciary unless otherwise stated.

SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY

- The Judicial Committee is designed to deal with:
 - Infractions contained in the referee's report, including yellow and red cards;

STEP BY STEP PROCEDURES

- Referee's Report Incidents

	DESCRIPTION OF ACTION	WHO
1	The referee's report must be lodged with the Union by 5.00 pm on the first business day following the match. The referee must indicate whether the incident is classed as a Low, Medium or High Range	Referee
2	Upon receipt of the referee's report, the Judiciary Chair will classify the incident. Should this be classed as low range, an early guilty plea will be offered to the individual in accordance with Rugby AU Disciplinary Rules 2018 Appendix 1:	Union
3	Should the player be eligible for an early guilty plea, this will be sent to the player and the Club Secretary via email, along with the referee's report on the Tuesday morning following an incident. The player is required to inform Rugby Union SA by return email if they wish to not accept the early guilty plea, by 8.00pm on the Tuesday following the incident.	Player/ Club
4	Should a player not accept the early guilty plea OR the incident be mid to high range OR received a red card in that season already: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Player will be required to attend Judiciary, held at Rugby Union SA HQ, comprising of between 2 and 3 members at 6pm on the Wednesday following the incident. • If a player does not accept the early guilty plea and is found guilty at the judiciary hearing, the committee will award a penalty as it sees fit in the circumstances revealed. 	Union
5	If a player does not accept the early guilty plea, they may provide an unedited video-recording of the incident. This evidence is to be presented to the Rugby Union SA head office by midday on the day of the hearing. Failure to do so may result in the evidence not being accepted for the hearing.	Union
6	The Judicial Committee shall impose the penalties prescribed in Rugby AU Disciplinary Rules 2018 Appendix 1.	Committee
7	Should a player not attend the Judiciary hearing and give no notice by midday on the Wednesday prior to the hearing, the player's club will be fined \$100	Committee
8	A player may elect to plead guilty and not appear before the Committee.	Player

OTHER INFORMATION

- Should a Club exceed the number of teams entered into the competition (with the exception of U10's and below) in Red Cards in a particular season, the President of that Club will be required to present to representatives of the Union on why their Club has disciplinary issues. The Club may be subjected to a fine or loss of competition points for any further Red Cards received in that Season.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT

- RUGBY AU DISCIPLINARY RULES 2018