

The ICA is committed to ensuring that proper standards of behavior are displayed on and around the field, as well as at all other cricket gatherings, including meetings, by both players and officials (person with an official responsibility within a club, the ICA or as appointed by another sports organization). The following Code of Conduct shall apply to all activities held under the jurisdiction or by approval of the ICA, or by players and / or officials representing the ICA, in Israel or abroad. In addition to the below, all Codes of Conduct as published by the ICC are binding on all cricketers and officials in Israel. These can be viewed at <http://www.icc-europe.org/ECC/DATABASE/TOURNAMENTS/operatingprocedures.shtml>. All players and team officials are expected to be familiar with the Codes of Conduct.

Level 1 Offences

Abuse of equipment or clothing, or any part of the ground.

Showing dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action.

Level 2 Offences

Repeat of any Level 1 offence within 12 months.

Showing serious dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action.

Public criticism of

a match-related incident or match official, including electronic correspondence.

Inappropriate and deliberate physical contact between players during play.

Aggressively charging towards an umpire while appealing.

Deliberate distraction or obstruction of the field.

Throwing the ball or other equipment at a player, umpire or official in a dangerous manner.

Using language or a gesture that is obscene, offensive or of a seriously insulting nature to another player, umpire, official, or spectator, verbally or otherwise.

Changing the condition of the ball in breach of Law 42.3.

Any attempt to manipulate a match in regard to the result, net run rate, bonus points or otherwise.

Forfeiture of a match without giving at least 72 hours prior notice.

Level 3 Offences

Repeat of any Level 2 offence within 12 months.

Intimidation of an umpire or other official.

Threats and / or assault on a player, team official, or spectator.

Using language or gestures that offends race, religion, color, descent or national or ethnic origin or otherwise racially offensive, verbally or otherwise.

Intervention by a club preventing their player from representing a national team.

Forfeiture of a match without giving at least 24 hours notice.

Any additional actions which bring or may bring the game of cricket and / or the ICA into disrepute.

Level 4 Offences

Repeat of any Level 3 offence within 12 months.

Threat of assault on an umpire or other official.

Physical assault of another player, umpire, other official, team official or spectator.

Any act of violence.

Using language or gestures that seriously offends race, religion, color, descent or national or ethnic origin or otherwise seriously racially offensive, verbally or otherwise.

Any additional actions which seriously bring or may bring the game of cricket and / or the ICA into disrepute.

PENALTIES FOR PLAYERS / OFFICIALS

Level 1 Offences

The offending player / official will receive a written warning.

Level 2 Offences

The offending player / official will be banned from all organized cricket in Israel for a period of up to 14 days (official) or a maximum two matches (player) from the date of the decision of the Disciplinary Committee. In addition a monetary fine of a maximum ILS1,000 may be imposed as well.

Level 3 Offences

The offending player / official will be banned from all organized cricket in Israel for a period of up to 28 days (official) or a maximum four matches (player) from the date of the decision of the Disciplinary Committee. In addition a monetary fine of a maximum ILS5,000 may be imposed as well.

Level 4 Offences

The offending player / official will be banned from all organized cricket in Israel for a period of anything from 3 months to life at the discretion of the Disciplinary Committee, depending on the gravity of the offence. In addition a monetary fine of a maximum ILS10,000 may be imposed as well.

Note: The Disciplinary Committee may, at its sole discretion, specify that all or any part of a suspension may be carried over until the following season where a decision to suspend a player / official is made in the latter stages of a season.

PENALTIES FOR TEAMS / CLUBS

Level 1 Offences

If a team's players / officials are found guilty of three Level 1 Offences in a season then on the third occasion the team will be deducted 20 league points or 2 Twenty20 points, depending on the competition in which the final offence was committed. 5 league points or 1 Twenty20 point will be deducted for each subsequent Level 1 offence committed in that season by that team's players / officials in the competition in which the offence occurred. The Club shall be liable to fines of a maximum ILS500 for the third and subsequent incidents in that season. The Disciplinary Committee shall have full discretion to impose suitable penalties for Level 1 offences committed during the knockout stage of any competition, including but not limited to carrying punishments forward to the following season.

Level 2 Offences

If a team's players / officials are found guilty of two Level 2 Offences in a season then on the second occasion the team will be deducted 40 league points or 4 Twenty20 points, depending on the competition in which the final offence was committed. 10 league points or 2 Twenty20 points will be made for each subsequent Level 2 offence committed in that season by that team's players / officials in the competition in which the offence was committed. The Club shall be liable to fines of a maximum ILS1,000 for the second and any subsequent incidents in that season. The Disciplinary Committee shall have full discretion to impose suitable penalties for Level 2 offences committed during the knockout stage of any competition, including but not limited to carrying punishments forward to the following season.

Level 3 Offences

If a team's players / officials are found guilty of two Level 3 Offences in a season then on the second occasion the team will be deducted 80 league points or 8 Twenty20 points, depending on the competition in which the final

offence was committed. 20 league points or 4 Twenty20 points will be deducted for each subsequent Level 3 offence committed in that season by that team's players / officials in the competition in which the offence occurred. The Club shall be liable to fines of a maximum ILS5,000 for the second and any subsequent Level 3 offence in that season or the following season. The Disciplinary Committee shall have full discretion to impose suitable penalties for Level 3 offences committed during the knockout stage of any competition, including but not limited to carrying punishments forward to the following season.

Level 4 Offences

For each Level 4 offence a team will be deducted 120 league points or 12 Twenty20 points, depending on the competition in which the offence was committed. In addition the team may be expelled from the relevant competition at the discretion of the ICA Board. The club shall be liable to fines of a maximum ILS10, 00 for any Level 4 offence. The Disciplinary Committee shall have full discretion to impose suitable penalties for Level 4 offences committed during the knockout stage of any competition, including but not limited to carrying punishments forward to the following season.

Step by Step Code of Conduct Procedure

1. Incident Occurs
2. Alleged breach is reported to ICA CEO by either: match umpires, captain or official of either participating team, any member of the ICA Board, ICA CEO within 72 hours of the incident or within 72 hours of the incident coming to the attention of the person reporting the incident.
3. Within 72 hours of the alleged breach being reported, the alleged offender is provided, either directly or via club, with details of the allegations against him (including the clause/s under which he is being charged) and two possible dates, both within 14 days of the alleged breach being reported, for a disciplinary hearing. If no response is received within 3 days the first date will automatically be set as the date for the hearing.
4. Disciplinary Committee, appointed by the ICA, conducts a hearing, with or without the attendance of the alleged offender. The alleged offender is entitled to bring one of club captain / club official / outside representation to the hearing.
5. Committee decision is announced within 7 days of the hearing.
6. An individual or team may lodge an appeal with the ICA within 3 days of the decision being announced and the latter will appoint an independent Appeals Committee to hear the appeal within 14 days of receiving the request. The appeals committee shall provide the defendant with two possible dates within this 14 day period on which the appeal will take place. If no response is received within 3 days the first date after this 3 day period will automatically be set as the date for the appeal. All appeals are subject to payment of ILS300 which will be refunded in the event of the punishment being reduced. Level 1 offences may not be appealed.
7. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding on all parties. A player or team is entitled to representation at the appeal; any costs involved to be paid by the Appellant, regardless of the result of the appeal.
8. In the event of an appeal, punishments shall not be enforced until the completion of the appeals process.
9. The non-payment of fines by the due date will result in automatic suspension from the ICA.