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MEMBERS' REGULARLY SCHEDULED DISCIPLINE REVIEWS/HEARINGS

Rights of the Accused

Discipline Policies:

The following are the Policies for discipline management under the jurisdiction of Hamilton Soccer. Hamilton Soccer follows Ontario Soccer's Published Policies and Procedures and will adhere to the Discipline Policies in Section 12.0 – Discipline.

To the extent permitted by the Ontario Soccer Policies and Procedures, jurisdiction for all game-related discipline involving players and team officials at the Club League levels shall be delegated by Hamilton Soccer to the appropriate Club League. This responsibility may be revoked at any time.

Hamilton Soccer will have scheduled discipline dates posted. They will be held approximately once per week and will hear all respective cases that were received prior to the regularly scheduled discipline dates as outlined below. The accused and the Club of the accused are required to attend a disciplinary hearing and must appear at the next scheduled Discipline Hearing date. The Club will be responsible for communicating all necessary information before and after the hearing to the accused. Discipline for yellow or red cards, or dismissal at a game will be handled by DBR as outlined in OS Discipline Policy at PUBLISHED dates as outlined. All Other discipline matters will be handed by DBH with a 15-day notice sent out.

Failing to Appear at Hearing when required:

Failure to appear at a Discipline Hearing, when required to do so, will result in an individual accused being suspended from all soccer activities and fined, and an organization accused being fined, as per the Hamilton Soccer Schedule of Fees, Fines, Bonds and Penalties. An accused individual who failed to attend a hearing will remain suspended from all soccer activities until they submit a written request, together with the recorded payment for the fine for failing to appear, and the fee for requesting a hearing as specified in the Hamilton Soccer Schedule "A" of Fees, Fines, Bonds and Penalties, as published annually by Hamilton Soccer. The individual will remain suspended until they attend such hearing. Any period of this suspension will NOT count towards any suspension from said hearing.

Request for Postponement

Any party required to attend a hearing may request one (1) postponement of a hearing as per the Ontario Soccer Discipline Policies. The requesting party must submit a request in writing, with the postponement fee in the form of a recorded payment (of \$50.00 to the governing organization), no later than four (4) days prior to the date of that hearing, stating the reason for requesting the postponement. Should the request be denied, the fee shall be refunded. The Governing Organization shall have full discretion to refund the "Request for Postponement Fee" if sufficient reason warrants such action. No fee is payable by the person(s) who filed the misconduct report(s) on which the charge(s) is/are based.

Pleading Guilty

An accused party may plead guilty and forego a hearing as per the Ontario Soccer Discipline Policies. Such a request must be made in writing no later than four (4) days prior to the date of the hearing.

Witnesses/Observers/Advisors/Club Representatives

An accused has the right to bring witnesses, an advisor, and observers to any Discipline Hearing as per the Ontario Soccer Discipline Policies (please refer to the Policies for definitions)

Notification of Decision

As per Ontario Soccer Discipline Policies, the Discipline Hearing decision shall be forwarded in writing by email/mail to the parties involved within fifteen (15) days of the conclusion of the hearing (or by designated website). The decision shall include the "Rights of Appeal Information"

Game Official Assault

An individual accused of an alleged Game Official Assault will be suspended immediately from all soccer activity and will remain suspended pending a hearing by Hamilton Soccer Discipline Panel, acting as an Ontario Soccer Discipline Hearing Panel. The following individuals must attend the hearing in person: the accused; the person(s) submitting the report(s); and the Club Representative. Any suspension that is assessed following a Discipline Panel decision will include any period of suspension already served. If the accused is found guilty of Game Official Assault, the Club of the accused shall be assessed a "Discipline Hearing Administrative Fee" as per Hamilton Soccer Schedule of Fees, Fines, Bonds and Penalties, in addition to the set fine charged to the accused. It is the responsibility of all Clubs to disseminate this discipline policy to their coaches and players.

INFRACTIONS OCCURRED SCHEDULED REVIEW SCHEDULED HEARINGS

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Up to June 1	June 9, 2022	June 9, 2022
June 2 to June 8	June 16, 2022	
June 9 to June 15	June 23, 2022	June 23, 2022
June 16 to June 22	June 30, 2022	
June 23 to June 29	July 7, 2022	July 7, 2022
June 30 to July 6	July 14, 2022	
July 7 to July 13	July 21, 2022	July 21, 2022
July 14 to July 20	July 28, 2022	
July 21 to July 27	August 4, 2022	August 4, 2022
July 28 to August 3	August 11, 2022	
August 4 to August 10	August 18, 2022	August 18, 2022
August 11 to August 17	August 25, 2022	
August 18 to August 24	September 1, 2022	September 1, 2022
August 25 to August 31	September 8, 2022	
September 1 to September 7	September 15, 2022	September 15, 2022
September 8 to September 14	September 22, 2022	
September 15 to September 21	September 29, 2022	September 29, 2022
September 22 to September 28	October 5, 2022	October 5, 2022

Misconduct reports issued during the time period above, under Infractions Occurred, will be reviewed or a hearing scheduled on the published dates above.

Any suspensions, as a result of the infractions, will be posted under Discipline Policies, Review/Hearing Results, as per League on the Hamilton Soccer website, www.hamiltonsoccer.net, the following day. Suspensions will then take effect on the following Monday. Fees must be submitted to the District Office within 48 hours of published suspension.