

SGCSA Disciplinary Actions for Players

This form must be read and signed before any player is allowed to take part in any activity involving the Strikers of Gaston County Soccer Association.

Failure to sign this form and return it to the SGCSA Discipline and Appeals Liaison within 7 days of receiving it, will keep the person from attending practices and games until the form is signed.

These guidelines are in effect for any activity related to the team or SGCSA (practices, regular games, tournaments, and/or any activity where there is official involvement of the team or club).

If an ejection occurs towards the end of the season where the full suspension cannot be completed, the coach, parent, or player will serve the remainder of the suspension at the beginning of the following season until it is completed. **A season is defined as the time period from August 1st of the current year until July 31st of the following year.**

Ejections are accumulated **per person**, regardless of how many teams you may be playing for. Review of the facts will also be made by the SGCSA BOD with the person in question. Decisions by the SGCSA BOD will be final.

Any player sent off from a match (straight red card or due to accumulation of yellow cards) and the referee requires that you leave the field, the player must immediately remove him/herself from the field of play. If a parent or guardian is present at the game, the player must remain a minimum of 300 feet from the match and/or out of sight and hearing distance, whichever is greater, and have no contact with the players still involved in the match. If a parent or guardian is not present at the game, the team manager will need to escort the player from the playing area and remain with the player until a parent or guardian arrives or the game concludes.

Two (2) matches will be added to any suspension if (A) an ejected player fails to leave the field of play immediately, (B) that person continues to exert any influence on the match proceedings, (C) the suspended person fails to remain out of hearing and visual distance of a match in which his/her team is playing, or (D) the person participates in the team's next matches without having completed the entire length of the suspension.

These are **minimum** disciplinary actions put in place by SGCSA to control unsportsmanlike behavior and violent conduct during team matches or practices. The Board of Directors of SGCSA reserves the right to impose any disciplinary action deemed necessary including expulsion from SGCSA in order to maintain positive and excellent behavior on the field.

I have read and understood SGCSA Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Policies. I understand that if I violate these Code of Conduct rules, I will be subject to disciplinary actions outlined in this agreement. Only one parent signature is needed since it will imply that both parents and/or legal guardians are aware of this document and its contents.

Printed player's name: _____

Signature (player) _____ Date _____

Offense	Role	1st time in same seasonal year	2nd time in same seasonal year	3rd time in same seasonal year
Send off (red card or for accumulation of yellow cards) for foul or abusive language	Player	Suspended for 1 match in addition to the match receiving the send off.	Suspended for 2 matches in addition to the match receiving the send off.	Suspended for 1 year from the date of the send off.
Send off (red card or accumulation of yellow cards) for violent conduct and/or serious foul play	Player	Suspended for 1 match in addition to the match receiving the send off.	Suspended for 2 matches in addition to the match receiving the send off.	Suspended for 1 year from the date of the send off.
Involved in a fight (non-official) or spitting	Player	Suspended for 3 games in addition to the match receiving the send off.	Suspended for rest of the season.	A 3 rd fight, no matter what season, will result in removal of membership for life.
Joining in a fight as a third party	Player	Suspended for 3 games in addition to the match receiving the send off.	Suspended for rest of the season.	A 3 rd fight, no matter what season, will result in removal of membership for life.
Any other serious offense considered detrimental to SGCSA not covered by points above	Player	Suspended for 3 games in addition to the match receiving the send off.	Suspended for rest of the season.	2nd offense results in 1 year suspension and review by SGCSA board before allowed to participate again.