



### MINIMUM Red Card Suspension Standards

OFFENSE	MINIMUM SUSPENSION
Second Caution	1 game
Foul or Abusive Language directed at someone other than an match official	1 game
Serious Foul Play- Denies a goal or an opponent a goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball	1 game
Serious Foul Play- Denies a goal or an opponent a goal scoring opportunity by a committing a foul punishable by a free kick committed in a non-dangerous way (example pulling a jersey)	1 game
Serious Foul Play- other than above	2 games
Violent Conduct	3 games
Foul or abusive language directed at a match official	3 games
2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense Violent Conduct or Serious Foul Play (other category)	4 games & referred to AYSA Disciplinary Committee
3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense Violent Conduct or Serious Foul Play (other category)	5 games & referred to AYSA Disciplinary Committee
Pushing, Striking or Spitting at a Match Official (A Match Official shall be defined as referee, assistant referee, referee assignor, referee administrator, tournament staff including volunteers, tournament director, or an AYSA Board Member.)	3 games & referred to AYSA Discipline Committee
Coaches and team administrators who are ejected from a match will be subjected to the minimum suspensions listed above plus ONE game.	Minimum + 1

- The AYSA Referee Send-Off Report will be required for all Red Cards.
- Forfeitures or bye games do not count towards fulfillment of suspension. The suspension will be served during the next applicable game.
- The player must be present at the game to serve a suspension and the AYSA Suspension Fulfillment Form must be completed and signed by the referee. **Exception: The player does not have to be present for FWRL games in which the team travels out of state. In-state games are not exempt.**
- **All Suspension Fulfillment forms must be turned into the AYSA within 48 hour of completion of the game in which the player was suspended. Failure to turn the form within the 48 hour time frame may result in additional suspensions for the player/coach.**



## LEAGUE POLICIES

- Far West Region League: (FWRL)** Suspension/s for red cards received in FWRL will be served only in FWRL games.
- State / Maricopa League:** Suspension/s for red cards received in either State or Maricopa League games will be served in State or Maricopa League games. If State or Maricopa League is finished, the suspension will be served in either the State Cup or President's Cup. If the team does not participate in either State or President's Cup, the suspension will carry over to the next season. Guest players' red cards will be adjudicated by the AYSA D&R Committee on an individual basis.
- League Play: (other than State or Maricopa League)** Each league will have established procedures. The league's misconduct sanctions will mirror the AYSA Red Card Suspension Standards. The league will use the AYSA Referee Send Off Report. Completed send off reports and suspension fulfillment forms will be sent to the AYSA D&R Committee. Coaches are responsible for the information and guidelines provided in the league procedures.
- Tournaments:** Each tournament will have written procedures for dealing with players /coaches ejected from contests. The tournament red card sanctions will mirror the AYSA Red Card Suspension Standards. The tournament will use the AYSA Referee Send-Off Report and send all the misconduct reports issued during the tournament to the AYSA D&R Committee. For players/coaches who are ejected from their team's last game, the tournament is required to send the player/coach pass, referee write up and player/coach write-up to the AYSA Discipline Committee for disposition. The D&R Committee will record the penalty and notify the coach of record.
- State Cup:** Procedures are published in the Arizona State Championships Rules of Competition. If the player/coach receives a red card during the last game of the Cup series, the suspension will carry over to the following year's State/President's Cup series (i.e., A red card is received during this year's President's Cup, but the team plays in the State Cup the following year. The suspension will be served during the State Cup series.).
- Regionals:** The US Youth Soccer Region IV Tournament Committee "DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE and APPEAL PROCESS" is available on the Region IV web site. Coaches should be familiar with these procedures.
- Nationals:** Procedures are published in the "US YOUTH SOCCER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS POLICY" available on the USYS web site.