



Scottish Schools' FA – Field Discipline System

At the Annual General Meeting of the Association on 20th June 2009, it was decided to adopt a motion by Glasgow Schools' F.A. to amend the operation of the Disciplinary Structure operated by the Association to ensure that all schools and local associations are operating in the same manner. This arrangement has been reconfirmed at Annual General Meetings since then.

As from the start of season 2009 – 2010, the following system has operated:

1. All cautions be recorded and acted upon by local association disciplinary committees.
2. All cautions received by the competition controller for National Competitions will be redirected to local association secretaries.
3. All orderings off be recorded and acted upon by local association disciplinary committees.
4. All orderings off received by the competition controller for National Competitions will be redirected to local association secretaries.
5. All local association secretaries must make a monthly return to the General Secretary of the Association listing all suspensions issued which apply to schools' football (i.e. match suspensions)
6. All local association secretaries must make an immediate return (within 3 days of the meeting) to the General Secretary of the Association listing all suspensions issued which apply to all football (i.e. time suspensions)

The guidelines for imposing suspensions are indicated below.

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Orderings Off

Offences will be divided into 3 categories.

CATEGORY X All suspensions will be for a number of matches and will apply only to schools' football therefore will not be reported to the SFA.

CATEGORY Y Suspensions can be for either:

- (a) a number of matches under the terms of Category X offences **or**
- (b) a period of time which will be reported to the SFA and will apply to all football

CATEGORY Z All suspensions will be for a period of time which will be reported to the SFA and will apply to all football

CAUTIONS

Cautions given to players (except two in the same game - see Category X), will be regarded in a cumulative fashion as follows:

First	3 cautions in 3 different matches	- Automatic 1 match suspension
Second	3 cautions in 3 different matches	- Automatic 1 match suspension
Third	3 cautions in 3 different matches	- Automatic 1 match suspension

Again, such suspensions will apply only to schools' football, therefore will not be reported to the SFA.

All suspensions issued by Local Disciplinary Committees will be communicated to The General Secretary of the Association who will maintain a central database of all suspensions and communicate, where appropriate, time suspensions to the SFA.

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