

ASSOCIATION DES CLUBS DE CRICKET DU SUD-OUEST

Siège social : Hôtel des Associations - 47160 DAMAZAN



Disciplinary procedure applying to all competitive matches organised by ACCSO

Effective date: February 2023 (following member-clubs' decision at AGM 22nd January 2023 to re-affiliate to FC ex-FFBS)

Text modified accordingly.

1. All competitive matches organised by ACCSO. are played in accordance with the Laws of Cricket, 2017 Code (as modified periodically by the MCC) and subject to any local modifications specified in the current year's ACCO tournament regulations.
2. Team captains are held responsible for their team's discipline, good conduct and respect for the laws and spirit of the game.
3. The umpires will be the sole arbiters of fair play (Law 2.6). In addition, Law 41.2 gives umpires the authority to consider as unfair any behaviour or actions not specifically covered by the Laws.
4. If the umpires detect any developing tension on the field of play, they will consult with the captains and remind them of their responsibilities.
5. A captain must respect – and ensure that his players respect – any remarks or requirements from the umpires.

6. Players must respect all umpiring decisions. Where player(s) do not do so, or show verbal or physical dissent, the umpires will call “Dead Ball” and will decide whether to de-fuse the situation or whether the circumstances warrant disciplinary action.
If the latter course is chosen, the umpires will inform the player(s) concerned, via their captain(s), that they will be reported. This will be noted by the umpires on the Match Report form, in order to alert ACCSO.
The disciplinary report itself must be received by the Secretary of ACCSO within 48 hours of the end of the match.
The Secretary of ACCSO will inform the club(s) concerned that a disciplinary report has been received.
7. Where player(s) behave in a way likely to bring the game into disrepute, the umpires will call “Dead Ball” and will decide whether to de-fuse the situation or whether the circumstances warrant disciplinary action.
If the latter course is chosen, the umpires will inform the player(s) concerned, via their captain(s), that they will be reported. This will be noted by the umpires on the Match Report form, in order to alert ACCSO.
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The Secretary of ACCSO will inform the club(s) concerned that a disciplinary report has been received.
8. In all reported cases, the umpires must make every effort to be specific about *when* the incident(s) occurred (in which over), together with the names of the batsmen on-strike and non-striker. The umpires will be expected to frame their report in the context of one or more of the offences detailed in the ACCSO Table of Offences and Sanctions (see Appendix).
9. Reports of Level 4 offences (physical assault, etc., as defined in the Appendix will, after preliminary validation by ACCSO Committee, be translated into French by ACCSO and transferred directly to France Cricket.
Pending a hearing by France Cricket, the player(s) concerned **are not** eligible to play in competitive matches organized by ACCSO.
10. Reports of all other offences – including charges of conduct contrary to the spirit of the game or bringing the game into disrepute - will be reviewed by ACCSO Committee.
After having made due diligence enquiries, Committee will aim to announce their decision within 10 days of receiving the complaint. During this period the player(s) concerned **are** eligible to play in competitive matches organized by ACCSO.
11. If ACCSO Committee find that the charges are justified, they will decide whether a reprimand is in order (with a warning as to future conduct) or whether to suspend the player(s).
In the case of suspensions, these will range from a minimum one-match ban on the player(s) concerned, up to the relevant maximum penalty laid down for level 0-3 offenses in the Appendix.

Suspensions will take effect as from the publication date of ACCSO Committee's decision.

12. If an interested party (player, club, umpire or other person) wishes to appeal against ACCSO Committee's decision, they must give written notice of such an appeal within 3 days of the Committee's decision, together with the broad lines of the reasons for such an appeal.

ACCSO Committee will rule on the validity of such an appeal within 2 days.

If Committee does not agree that the appeal is valid it will inform the petitioner(s) of the reasons for rejection.

If Committee finds that the appeal has merit, the petitioner(s) will be informed and the suspension(s) will be put on hold pending the findings of an appeal panel as in paragraph 12 below.

13. Appeals against Level 0-3 suspensions will be heard by a panel appointed by – but independent of - ACCSO Committee.

The panel, whose terms of reference will be set by ACCSO Committee, will be empowered to confirm, to increase or to quash ACCSO's decision.

The panel's decision will be announced by ACCSO Committee and will be effective immediately.

14. If any interested party (player, club, umpire, other person, or ACCSO Committee itself) wishes to appeal against the decision of the panel, such an appeal may be presented to France Cricket according to the procedure described in Règlements Généraux des Compétitions Officielles of France Cricket (available on the France Cricket Web site).

This will involve the translation – by the petitioner(s) - of all the case material into French.

A complete copy of the appeal (including the translated case material) must be sent to ACCSO.

If ACCSO receive copy of the appeal to France Cricket before the panel's sanction comes into effect, ACCSO will suspend the decision of the panel; whereupon, pending a decision by France Cricket, the player(s) concerned are eligible to play in competitive matches organized by ACCSO.

15. Decisions and appeals which are made at the end of one competitive season will, where relevant, be carried forward to the following season(s) of ACCSO competitions, until purged.

16. Where a player is warned as to his future conduct, that warning remains in effect for 2 (two) full seasons after the date of the offence which gave rise to the warning.

17. The names of players who have been sanctioned and/or warned as to their future conduct will be communicated to the ACCSO umpiring community. This is solely to inform the umpires that any further incident involving that player during the next 2 (two) seasons is likely – at the umpires' discretion – to result in the player being reported again.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deliberate bowling of dangerous and unfair non-pitching deliveries - Bowling of deliberate front-foot No Ball - Language, actions or gestures by the fielding side which disparage a batsman upon his dismissal or which could at any time provoke an aggressive reaction by either of the batsmen. 	41.7 41.8) Local) rule)	No No No	) ) ) Suspension up to 3 matches))
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Serious dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action - Inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with another player - Throwing the ball at a player, umpire or another person in an inappropriate and dangerous manner - Language or gesture towards another player, umpire, team official or spectator that, in the circumstances, is obscene or of a seriously insulting nature** - Any other misconduct, the nature of which is, in the opinion of the umpires, equivalent to a Law 42 Level 2 offence.	) ) ) ) 42.3)))	Automatic	) ) ) ) Suspension up to 4 matches)))
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intimidating an umpire by language or gesture - Threatening to assault a player or any other person except an umpire. 	42.4 42.4	Automatic Automatic	Suspension up to 6 matches
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Threatening to assault an umpire - Inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with an umpire - Physically assaulting a player or any other person - Any other act of violence.	) ) 42.5 ) )	) ) Automatic))	All acts of physical violence are reported by ACCSO directly to France Cricket. A lifetime ban is the maximum sanction. Can result in criminal proceedings for assault.

Notes:

1. Where the facts of the alleged incident or its gravity or seriousness are not adequately or clearly covered by any of the above offences, umpires may present the case as:
 - a) Conduct contrary to the spirit of the game; or
 - b) Conduct that brings the game into disrepute.
2. Reported offences will be dealt with in accordance with the ACCSO Disciplinary Procedure.

APPENDIX

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Niveau	Offense	Loi	Courses de Pénalité?	Sanction
0	- Course(s) tronquée(s) intentionnelle(s)	18.5	Automatique)
	- Joueur rentre sur le terrain sans autorisation et rentre en contact avec la balle	24.4	Non)
	- Entraînement non-autorisé sur le terrain	26.4	Si récidive)
	- Arrêt de balle déloyal (avec casquette, etc.)	28.2	Automatique)
	- Chasseur tente de distraire le frappeur	41.4	Automatique)
	- Distraction, duperie ou obstruction volontaire des batteurs	41.5	Automatique)
	- Lancer dangereux et déloyal de balles à rebond court ("bouncers")	41.6	Non)
	- Lancer dangereux et déloyal de balles sans rebond ("beamers")	41.7.2	Non	) Suspension 1 match
	- L'équipe à la chasse tente de gagner du temps	41.9	Si récidive)
	- Batteur tente de gagner du temps	41.10	Si récidive)
	- Chasseur endommage la piste	41.12	Si récidive)
	- Lanceur court sur la zone protégée	41.13	Non)
	- Batteur endommage la piste	41.14	Si récidive)
	- Frappeur marque sa position dans la zone protégée	41.15	Si récidive)
- Batteurs volent une course	41.17	Automatique)	
- Tout autre acte déloyal qui n'est pas traité spécifiquement par une des Lois. Exemple type: Chasseurs qui parlent pendant l'approche de lanceur (pourvu que les arbitres ne le pénalisent pas selon les Lois 41.4 ou 41.5)	41.2	Si récidive	Variable, selon la gravité de l'offense (Minimum 1 match)	
- Gestes agressifs par le lanceur ou un chasseur à l'encontre d'un batteur venant de se faire éliminer	Règle local	Non	Suspension 1 match	
1	- Dégradation délibérée de n'importe quelle partie du terrain ou de tout élément d'équipement ou de matériel utilisé pendant le match))
	- Expression verbale ou physique de désaccord avec la décision d'un arbitre))
	- Utilisation d'un langage obscène, agressif ou offensant et/ou des gestes obscènes))
	- Geste obscène	) 42.2	Si récidive)
	- Appel excessif	)		) Suspension jusqu'à 3
	- S'avancer de manière agressive vers l'arbitre lors d'un appel	)		) matchs
	- Tout autre comportement que les arbitres jugent apte à être classé à ce niveau.))
	- Modification de la condition de la balle de match	41.3	Automatique)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lancer délibéré de balles sans rebond dangereuses et déloyales - Lancer volontaire d'une Faute Pied-Avant - Langage, actions ou gestes de la part de l'équipe à la chasse qui dévalorisent un batteur au moment de son élimination ou qui pourraient provoquer une réaction violent de la part des batteurs à n'importe quel moment 	41.7 41.8) Règle) local)	Non Non Non	) ) ) ) Suspension jusqu'à 3 matchs))
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expression forte de désaccord, soit verbalement soit physiquement, avec la décision d'un arbitre - Contact physique volontaire et inapproprié à l'encontre d'un autre joueur - Jeter la balle, de façon inappropriée et/ou dangereuse, vers un joueur, un arbitre ou toute autre personne - Langage, actions ou gestes à l'encontre de tout autre joueur, arbitre, dirigeant ou spectateur qui, dans le cadre du jeu, sont perçus comme obscènes ou gravement offensants** - Tout autre comportement que les arbitres jugent apte à être classé à ce niveau.	) ) ) ) 42.3))))	Automatique	) ) ) ) Suspension jusqu'à 4 matchs)))
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intimidation d'un arbitre soit verbalement soit physiquement - Menace d'agression à l'encontre d'un joueur ou de toute autre personne, à l'exception d'un arbitre. 	42.4 42.4	Automatique Automatique	Suspension jusqu'à 6 matchs
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Menace d'agression contre un arbitre - Contact physique délibéré et inapproprié à l'encontre d'un arbitre - Agression corporelle contre un joueur ou contre toute autre personne - Tout autre acte de violence.	) ) 42.5 ) )	) ) Automatique))	Tous les actes de violence physique sont signalés par ACCSO directement à France Cricket. La sanction maximum est l'interdiction à vie. Possibilité de poursuite pénale pour violence contre la personne.

Notes:

1. Dans le cas où les faits de l'incident ou sa gravité ou importance ne sont pas traité d'une manière nette ou appropriée par les offenses détaillées ci-dessus, les arbitres peuvent monter le dossier comme:

- a) Comportement à l'encontre de l'Esprit du Jeu ; ou
- b) Comportement qui nuit l'image du jeu.

2. Les dossiers seront traités conformément à la Procédure Disciplinaire d'ACCSO.

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